

Seaholm, Groves Swimmers Are Tops In Leagues

Maples Swamp EML Opponents

For the third year in a row, Corey Van Fleet's powerful Seaholm swim team walked off with Eastern Michigan League honors. The Maples swept past league foes and, in the process, surprisingly shook off the challenge of Royal Oak Kimball. Seaholm totaled 202 1/2 points as compared to Kimball's 173 1/2.

Seaholm made a clean sweep of the top three places in the butterfly, captured both relays, and finished first and second in the 50 and 100-freestyles.

INDIVIDUALLY, Seaholm swimmers also took top awards as Tom Coupe won both the 100 and 200-freestyles and Pete Adams swam a 4:00 flat 400-freestyle, the fastest ever recorded for a high school performer in the state, much less county, school and pool.

Kimball's best showing came in the individual medley when Bill Watts and Van Osa finished 1-2. Watts was timed in 2:10.7, a league record.

The Knights accomplished a mild upset in the breaststroke when Van Osa came in ahead of Seaholm's Dave Zimner with a time of 1:06.1, another league mark.

Seaholm took the freestyle relay and the medley, the latter in the new league time of 1:46.1. Rod Henderson captured the 50-free for the Maples, finishing ahead of teammate Bill Frew in 23.8.

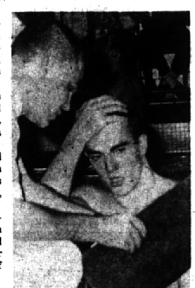
KEN HEFT was first in the diving event with 310 points and Seaholm's Jeff Wallace and Dennis Rozema were 1-2 in the butterfly.

Coupe's performance was quite a feat. The lanky senior nosed out Adams in the 200-freestyle in 1:53.0 flat, handing Adams his

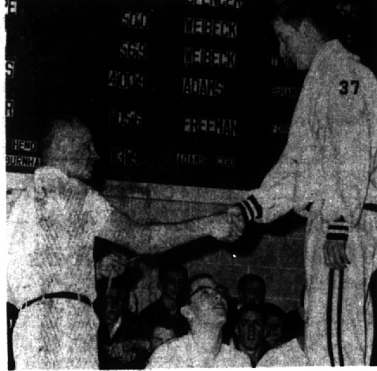
first dual loss in two years. Coupe's victory in the 100 was a new league record of 50.8 seconds. Bill Kennedy of Seaholm followed him across this time.

ADAMS DEFEATED rival Doug Webster of Kimball in the 400-freestyle. Webster was timed in 4:06.0 as he came in about 20 feet behind.

Seaholm, defending Class A state champ, now travels to Ann Arbor to defend its title against other Class A schools from around (See MAPLES, 4-E)



"I DON'T believe it," is what Seaholm's Pete Adams seems to be saying as coach Corey Van Fleet (left) shows the Maple swimmer that he has just swam the fastest 400-freestyle in the state. Adams' record time was 4:00 flat.



SEAHOLM'S TOM Coupe (right), the only double-winner in the EML swim meet at Seaholm Friday, captured the 100 and 200-freestyle for the Maples. Coupe, shown here receiving his award for winning the 100-yard freestyle, set a league record of 50.8 in the event. He defeated teammate Pete Adams in the 200. Seaholm piled up 202 1/2 points to runner-up Kimball's 173 1/2.

Pony, Colt Leagues Schedule Registration

Local officials of the Pony and Colt Baseball Leagues have announced that registrations will be accepted Saturday, March 21, at The Community House from 1 to 5 p.m.

All boys from 13 to 16 should turn in applications that day, even if they played last season. Application blanks will be available at the junior highs and high schools

Monday and Tuesday and at The Community House March 21. The Pony and Colt Leagues are part of Boys' Baseball, Inc. organized in 1958. The Pony League is for 13-14 year-old players and Colt for 15-16.

THIS DIVISION permits boys to play with others their age and is (See LEAGUES, 2-E)

Maples Capture District Crown

By DICK ZEMMIN Sports Editor

Seaholm swept three rivals off the court to win its district cham-

ionship Saturday and moved into the regionals at Ferndale.

The Maples were scheduled to play Redford St. Mary (10-5) Wednesday night. The winner of that

game will meet the winner of the Hamtramck-Detroit Northern contest at 8 p.m. Friday in the Ferndale gym for the regional championship.

SEAHOLM SHOWED strong scoring potential and a fine defense in their three district outings last week. The Maples disposed of Royal Oak Dondro, 69-50, overpowered Royal Oak Kimball, 62-34, and rolled past Berkley, 66-47.

The latter of the three triumphs gave the Maples the district title and they accomplished it with remarkable ease.

Seaholm met Kimball, considered their toughest opponent in the first two games, last Thursday and ran into a curious defense.

The Knights, as Seaholm coach Lew Parry expected, were content to slow the game down and play keep-away. But the results must have even surprised Parry.

Seaholm grabbed the opening tip and missed its shot and Kimball barked at stall. The score at the end of the first quarter was 2-2, hardly a donnybrook. The intermission count stood at only 15-13.

KIMBALL COACH Vince Sigran said that they tried to throw Seaholm off-balance and stay even through the first half.

But, when the two sounds began matching offenses in the second half, Seaholm's class was too much. The Lakers rolled to a 37-21 second half advantage and were never headed. Bruce Nyberg had 11 and Harold Wilbur 10.

Saturday's game between Seaholm and Berkley was not a tense-packed contest. The Maples simply overpowered a weaker Berkley quintet.

Seaholm rolled up a 19-9 first quarter lead and was never in trouble. They outscored their opponents 22-12 in the second period to leave the court at halftime with a 41-21 advantage.

Parry used all his ballplayers in the final two periods and Berkley clipped a few points off the deficit before succumbing, 66-47.

SEAHOLM'S HEIGHT advantage helped the Maples easily control the boards and a well-balanced scoring attack kept the offense moving. Seaholm had five players in double figures.

Berkley's fine defense kept Seaholm from moving inside and forced the Bears to shoot from the outside. It was Seaholm's 15th win in 18 games and their 11th in a row.



SEAHOLM'S MARK Fritz (41) and Jeff Meyer reach for a rebound against Berkley Saturday night as teammates Bruce Nyberg (53) and Ron Jacobson (55) watch. Fritz and Meyer each contributed 12 points to the Maples' 66-47 conquering of Berkley

IN DISTRICT PLAY

Lakers, Barons Eliminated

West Bloomfield and Bloomfield found themselves on the sidelines early in district play last week, although the Lakers lasted longer than the co-champion Barons.

Bloomfield was surprised by Waterford Township in their first district contest at Pontiac Northern, 63-47. Waterford had only won three games during the year compared to Bloomfield's 14.

West Bloomfield, after romping past Orchard Lake St. Mary, 64-43, while hitting on 69 per cent of their shots, suddenly went cold against South Lyon and dropped a 66-56 decision.

BLOOMFIELD built up a 24-15

lead and stayed nine ahead of Waterford throughout the half. But, the Barons fell apart in the second half and were outscored, 38-21.

"We were outthusted and outbounded in the second half," Baron coach Hal Henderson said. "We just fell apart."

"Still I'm proud of the year we had. We were a well-balanced outfit," he added. Bloomfield registered a 14-3 record, best in the school's history.

REG ANDERSON led the Hills with 22 points, but Dick Miller of Waterford hit 16 for the Skippers and was a key man in the attack.



Photo by Sam Fowler

that enabled Seaholm to win the district crown and move off to regional play at Ferndale. The Maples never trailed in the contest after building up a 19-9 first quarter advantage.

Falcons Sweep Relays, Diving

By DICK ZEMMIN Sports Editor

Back in January (the 23rd, to be exact), a certain coach sat back in his chair, contemplating the virtues of defeat, if any. His swimmers had just lost a heart-breaking dual meet to a strong adversary and, in the midst of his thinking, he uttered a statement.

"Defeat can breed determination," the disheartened mentor said. "We will win the league meet in March."

TODAY, ALMOST two months later, Jim Gilster of Groves has proved his point. His swimmers had won their second consecutive league meet, edging that powerful adversary, Thurston, 152 1/2-129 1/4.

Cranes Nip Reserve in Court Finale

Cranbrook ended the 1963-64 basketball season with their 13th win of the year, but they had to use every second to do it.

The Cranes nosed out Western Reserve, 54-53, to tie with four other teams for first place in the Ingersate Prep League. Cranbrook shares the title with Shady Side, University School, Western Reserve and Nichols. All five teams finished with 2-2 league marks.

The victory was the first in 10 years for a Crane team at Western Reserve. The lead changed hands a total of 15 times.

CRANBROOK WAS never in front in the first half. The score was tied 16-16 after the first quarter and Reserve led at the half, 31-30.

But Cranbrook was not to be denied their 13th win in 16 games. They tied the count at the end of three periods, 41-41, and then scored the winning bucket when Bob Heaverich hit on a set shot with 40 seconds to go.

Western Reserve failed twice in the final 15 seconds. Bill Simms missed on a one-and-one and Eric Esterhay lost the ball in a scramble.

Doug Fisher was high for Cranbrook with 15 points, while Jim (See CRANES, 4-E)



DAVE MEAD of Groves flashes home in the final leg of the 200-medley relay as timers crouch to get his time. Mead and his teammates were first in the event and the Falcons went on to capture their second consecutive North Suburban Swim meet, edging rival Thurston, 182-129 1/4 points. The Falcons, trailing going into the last relay, won the event and the meet.

Little League in 25th Year

Not only is 1964 a leap year, but it also marks the 25th anniversary of the Little League Baseball Program.

A nationwide program, the Little League has one of its top circuits in District Four, the area of suburban Detroit. Little League presidents and officers of the Birmingham area met recently to discuss plans for the silver banner year.

Four directors, announced a visit by staff personnel from Williamsport, Pa., and an observance of Little League Week, June 7-14. Local officers who attended the meeting were: Joe Scolaro, 659 Wallace; and Bob Carpenter, 554 Overhill, Birmingham; King Bennett, 2047 Mada; Lloyd Digue, 22490 Rougemont; Bob Dodge, 2888 Oak Leaf Lane; and Michael Master, 29951 Rock Creek, Southfield; Tom Munson, 18153 Coral Gables, Lathrup Village.

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Cranbrook Guest

Olympic gold medal winner Terry McDermott will be guest speaker at the Cranbrook School athletic awards banquet Friday night.

The 23-year-old barber from Essexville, Mich., will narrate a film on the Winter Games and answer questions. McDermott won the 500-meter speed skating event in the record time of 40.1 seconds.

Tryouts Scheduled For Babe Ruth Ball

Tryouts for Babe Ruth League baseball, ages 13-15, will be held Saturday, March 21, at 10 a.m. at St. James Field.