

New Indy Talent

A. J. Foyt, Parnelli Jones, Richard Petty, Fred Lorenzen and David Pearson had better pay attention. There's a "new wave" of auto racing talent about to arrive in the land.

A far more versatile crew of young drivers and a group with a lot more opportunities than their elders, they will invade Indianapolis en masse this May with anything but the traditional backgrounds of brickyard rookies.

Fortunately for Southern California fans, many of these newcomers will be on display April 30—the day before they leave for the speedway—taking part in Les Richter's U. S. Road Racing Championships at Riverside.

Bob Bondurant, Pete Revson and Skip Scott have already made a name for themselves on the international road courses of grand touring and grand prix racing. They are among nine Americans listed by F.I.A. as top competitors in world racing.

A fourth driver, Lothar Motschenbacher, left his mark on pro sports car racing last year in the U.S. and Canada.

The new group is neither from Whiskey-runnin', dirt trackin' nor sports car cap wearing fraternities of racing. Their broad experience sets them apart from previous rookies at Indy.

Bondurant started on the hot rod drag strips of Southern California, dabbled in Motorcycle racing and turned to sports cars eight years ago. He drove Triumphs and Corvettes, became the best Corvette pilot in the U. S. before Carroll Shelby induced him to drive a Cobra one day in 1963.

Becoming a team driver for Shelby American, Bondurant was the workhorse driver in '65 when that team won the first world manufacturer's championship ever for America. Last year he switched to Ferrari for awhile, ventured to Europe for a try at open-wheel grand prix racing and became the camera car driver for John Frankenheimer's Cinerama crew from MGM.

Driving a specially adapted Ford GT with gimbel mounted camera, Bondurant mixed it with Jimmy Clark, Graham Hill, Jack Brabham and John Surtees, photographing some actual races and others that were staged. Camera work to which he contributed has been hailed as some of the most spectacular ever screened. It's in the motion picture "Grand Prix."

At Riverside he will drive a McLaren Chevy for one-time Shelby American general manager Peyton Cramer. Bondurant has often led at Riverside races, and he has raced there in everything from a TR-2 to a Grand National stock car.

Bondurant's teammate in the USRC will be Skip Scott of Devon, Pa., winner of the 1966 New York Times sportsmanship trophy. The 25-year-old Scott began racing in 1962 when he was still a student at Denver University, and his biggest year of accomplishment was last season, when his Essex Wire Ford GT team cut an impressive swath in international racing here and in Europe.

Scott was fifth in points on the USSRC circuit last year, and in GT racing he and co-driver Pete Revson won class victories at Sebring, Monza and Spa to bring the world championship trophy once more to the U.S.

To climax the '66 season Scott and Revson finished second and third in the Nassau 250, driving McLarens. Revson will be Bondurant's teammate in the USRC, not Scott's. In a final tuneup for Indianapolis, he will drive a McLaren Chevy.

The 27-year-old cosmetics heir is currently having his busiest year in racing. He has been a test driver and is waiting his turn to race a Mercury Cougar for the factory team on the fiercely competitive Trans-American circuit.

Meanwhile, Revson entered the Phoenix Championship Car race a few weeks ago and drove smoothly to a 13th place finish.

Motschenbacher, 28, the handsome blonde former Mercedes factory mechanic with the barely pronounceable name, gave up a thriving auto service business in Van Nuys to plunge into the professional sports car racing world last season after a number of good years in small formula cars.

He will be driving a McLaren Olds at Riverside, and about the only folks not cheering for him will be the fellows on the copy desk who shudder at the thought of fitting his name into a headline.

The four "new wave" drivers have several things in common. All are young, ranging in age from 25 (Scott) to 34 (Bondurant). They all come from the sports car world, but not from the wine-and-chicken picnic circuit associated with the sport, rather from the hard society of professional racing where the pressures are just as keen as any experienced on the USAC or NASCAR trials.

They have all had to own and maintain their own racing equipment, and they have never acquired. They're all dedicated to their sport. It's their life, not a hobby.

Gardena Plans Softball Play

The Gardena Recreation and Parks Department is accepting entries for adult softball leagues.

League play will begin in May at Recreation Park, 158th and Normandie Ave. and Rowley Park, 132nd Street and Van Ness Ave., on Tuesday or Wednesday evenings.

Friday, April 28, is the deadline for all teams to enter the leagues. A fee of \$95

Perez Beats Vikes

A tough three-game baseball schedule faces unbeaten Bishop Montgomery High in event the rains disappear this week. The Knights are hosts to Daniel Murphy High Tuesday, Crespi on Wednesday, and St. Monica's on Thursday.

Wednesday's game against Crespi is a makeup of a second round postponement. Crespi and Montgomery were also rained out Friday in their regularly scheduled third round game.

Coach Marvin Woods' varsity got in one game this past week, winning a dramatic 2-1 decision over St. Bernard's Vikings in eight innings. The win gave Montgomery a 9-0 league record and 3 game bulge over second place Fernin Lasuen.

Trailing 1-0 in the bottom of the 7th, Nels Straley and Mike Constantino were safe on successive errors. After both were advanced a base on a fielder's choice, Dennis Haren brought Straley home on a safety squeeze bunt.

The 1-1 tie was broken in the 8th on leadoff singles by Chuck Bongard and Dan Pritchett and a game-winning hit by Straley with one away.

Richard Perez went the distance to get the pitching victory. It was his fourth win and only the first run he allowed. Perez has pitched 29 innings, given up 14 hits, 13 bases on balls and struck out 38.

Chuck Desiderio has pitched Montgomery's other five victories. In 32 innings he has allowed five runs (one earned), 19 hits, 10 walks and 32 strikeouts.

Chuck Bongard leads the Knights at bat with 12 hits in 24 at bats for a .500 average.

Bishop, 2-1

AB	R	H	E
Alcer, cf	4	0	0
Kelly, ss	3	0	0
Esper, 3b	2	0	0
Schell, lf	3	1	0
Switky, c	3	0	1
Valo, 2b	3	0	0
Tester, 1b	3	0	0
Hogan, 3b	3	0	0
Byman, ph	1	0	0
Martin, p	2	0	0
Total	27	1	1

Bay League Switches to 3-Game Slate

The rules change a little bit in the Bay League baseball campaign this week. With games played on Monday, Wednesday and Friday the duration of the season (one round), coaches can employ their ace pitchers on both Monday and Friday in event their team is on duty each day.

The first two games coming up pit North against Hawthorne and South against Ingwood. On Friday Mira Costa plays at North and Redondo goes to South. Earlier in the week Redondo trades games with Santa Monica.

The Hawks lead the Bay League with a 7-2 record. Ingwood is 6-3 and South is 5-3 in the race.

On Tuesday West plays at Lawndale in the Pioneer League and Torrance is at Leuzinger in the Sky League.

Montgomery Track Team Faces Crespi

The makeup of a Camino Real League track and field meet between Bishop Montgomery and Crespi is reset for Tuesday at Crespi.

The Knights have won two league meets, including an 84-29 win over St. Bernard's. Coach Jim Arnaz' squad also took fourth in the Ingwood Relays and won dual meets against Verbum Dei, Lennox, Lawndale, El Segundo and Torrance.

Torrance Girl Seeking Title

Arlene Mauerhan of the Mustang 4-H Club of Torrance is one of six young ladies competing this weekend for the title of queen of the annual 4-H Fair.



OLDTIMER... Nelson Straley, in his third year as the regular catcher for Bishop Montgomery, figured in both runs as his team defeated St. Bernard's, 2-1, in a Camino Real League game Thursday. The Knights have a 9-0 record. They have three home games Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. (Press-Herald Photo)

Bay League

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Redondo	7	2	.77	—
Ingwood	5	3	.625	2 1/2
South	5	3	.625	1 1/2
North	5	3	.625	2 1/2
Santa Monica	4	5	.444	3
Mira Costa	3	7	.300	4
Hawthorne	2	7	.222	5

Camino Real

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Montgomery	9	0	1.000	—
Fernin Lasuen	5	2	.714	2
Crespi	5	3	.625	3 1/2
St. Bernard's	4	5	.444	4
St. Monica's	1	6	.143	7
Murphy	0	8	.000	8 1/2

Pioneer League

W	L	Pct.	GB	
El Segundo	8	0	1.000	—
Aviation	6	2	.750	—
Lawndale	3	3	.500	4 1/2
Palos Verdes	2	5	.286	5 1/2
West	2	6	.250	6
Lennox	2	6	.250	6

Sky League

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Torrance	6	2	.750	—
Rolling Hills	5	3	.625	—
Beverly Hills	5	3	.625	—
Culver City	4	4	.500	—
Leuzinger	3	5	.375	—
Morningside	0	8	.000	—

Barnes Sued By Lakers For Breach

Jack Kent Cooke has filed suit against Laker Jim Barnes, the new American Basketball Association and all clubs that are or will be members of the new association.

Cooke, president of California Sports Incorporated, charges that Barnes has breached his contract with the Los Angeles Lakers, a division of Cooke's company, by signing a two-year contract with the owners of the Dallas Club. Action has been filed in Superior Court.

Cooke is asking an injunction prohibiting Barnes from playing with any professional basketball club other than the Lakers, damages of at least \$25,000 from Barnes, plus such additional damages as may be shown at the time of trial.

In addition, Cooke asks the court to impose "exemplary and punitive" damages in the amount of \$3 million on the amount of \$3 million on the new association and its members because of the aforementioned interference.

"To my knowledge," Cooke said, "Barnes is the only Laker player who has been induced by the new association to breach his contract.

14-Game NFL Slate Announced by Rams

The Rams will launch their 1967 National Football League season at New Orleans on Sept. 17 and return to the Coliseum for their home opener against Minnesota on Friday night, Sept. 22.

The Rams' 14-game league schedule, part of the 112-game NFL slate for 1967 features home dates against Minnesota, Philadelphia, Washington, Green Bay, San Francisco, Baltimore, and Atlanta.

One game on the home schedule is not yet settled.

The Rams tentatively are hosts to the San Francisco 49ers on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 8. However, baseball's World Series Sunday action is

scheduled for the home park of the National League pennant winner on the same afternoon. So, if the Dodgers or San Francisco Giants win the N.L. flag, the Rams will shift their game back to Friday night, Oct. 6 to avoid conflict.

Their New Orleans debut will mark the second successive NFL christening for the Rams. Last year they furnished the opposition for the Atlanta Falcons' first-ever league game. The battle with the Saints will be a Sunday afternoon affair.

The Colts finished a notch behind Green Bay last year with a 9-5 record to top the Rams' 8-6 mark and San Francisco's 6-6-2. Atlanta, the

fourth member of the new Coastal circuit, won three of its final five games in its initial NFL campaign.

The schedule: Home Games — Sept. 22 (N) — Minnesota; Oct. 8 or Oct. 6 (N) — San Francisco; Oct. 22 — Washington; Nov. 12 — Philadelphia; Dec. 3 — Atlanta; Dec. 9 — Green Bay; Dec. 17 — Baltimore.

Road Games — Sept. 17 — New Orleans; Oct. 1 — Dallas; Oct. 15 — Baltimore; Oct. 29 — Chicago; Nov. 5 — San Francisco; Nov. 19 — Atlanta; Nov. 23 — Detroit.

(N) Night game. Home day games begin at 1:05 p.m. Home night games begin at 8:05 p.m.



Football Roundup

West Anxious To Practice

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When a football coach can rattle off the names of next year's football team like the alphabet, it is a sign of optimism.

Coach Fred Peterson of West High has a reputation as the most optimistic football coach in town, so it is not surprising he is anxious for next fall.

Even when things went wrong and his varsity finished out of the running for Pioneer League title the past two years, Peterson pointed to one or two bad breaks that made all the difference.

There is little doubt West High will be a football contender the next couple years. On paper things look better every day, but it won't be until at least spring training at the end of the baseball season that Coach Peterson can test his opinions.

Coy Hall, who quarterbacked the varsity much of his sophomore year, is 170 pounds and 6-foot. He is backed by little Lenny Herschler. Coach Peterson's own son, Rick, a freshman, moves up to the Bees as quarterback.

One of the best tailbacks in town is Dave Boyd, the 208-pound All-Pioneer League. Rick Schwanbeck has been moved from split end to tight end to bolster the team's blocking. Two juniors — Leo Auclair and Tom Fisher — will battle for Schwanbeck's old position.

The pride-and-joy of the line will probably be Skip Hogue who handled every offensive play at center last year. He is backed by Dirk Davidson, a junior.

The West High Warriors had a big veteran line last year that excelled at almost everything except speed. The sluggishness in the line and

backfield and a couple crucial injuries resulted in more losses than victories.

Although the lineup this fall will include a number of unfamiliar prospects, Coach Peterson feels he has at least 30 candidates who can play football. Several of them were not too far behind the starters last season.

Paul Johnson, Jim Buckley, a converted end, Terry Cooper and Dennis Hudson are the tackles. The guards are Richard Pierce, John Palincek, Jim Stroffo and Tom Miles.

Fullback Danny Whelan and Wingback Dean Owens round out the offense. Sam Falcone, Gary Marcone, Mike Davis, Jim Parton and Donnie Clark will probably be defensive specialists.

Joining Peterson with the coaching staff are Dennis Haryung, Fred Burch and Max Lomas.

Joe Austin, South High's wonder boy of a few years back, will help Toby Thurlow with the Bees. Dale Dabbs has the Bees.

Peterson coached the Bees three years before taking over the varsity assignment in 1965. He coached eight years in Nebraska after graduating from Midland College.

The football schedule is: Sept. 22 — West at La Puente; Sept. 29 — Hawthorne at West; Oct. 6 — San Marino at West; Oct. 13 — West at Rolling Hills (day); Oct. 20 — West at Aviation; Oct. 27 — West at El Segundo; Nov. 3 — Lennox at West; Nov. 10 — Palos Verdes at West; Nov. 17 — West at Lawndale.

Elephant Seals on Increase

Marine biologists of the Department of Fish and Game have counted a total of 3,750 elephant seals on San Miguel Island, the highest count ever made on the island.

Officially an endangered species, elephant seals, also called sea elephants, are fully protected in California and may not be hunted, captured or killed at any time.

They are found on most of the Southland's offshore islands and on Ano Nuevo Island farther north but are most numerous on San Miguel, a territory under military jurisdiction and closed to public access.

Biologists John G. Carlyle, Jr., and Harold B. Clemens, Jr., who battled rough waters, high winds and torrential rains to land on the island and make the count last Tuesday, noted that the 3,750 total is almost 700 higher than the 3,070 counted last year at about the same time.

"This is the encouraging evidence that the elephant seals are making a moderate but steady comeback along the California coast," Carlyle said.

Elephant seals were formerly abundant as far north as Point Reyes, above San Francisco, but were hunted so extensively for their fine quality oil that they were nearly exterminated before the turn of the century.

More Time Allowed for CIF Playoffs

To the weatherman, the almost perpetual rainstorm this season is merely "unseasonably bad weather" but to the prep baseball program the continuing rain has meant washed out games with very little time remaining for makeup contests.

In order to alleviate the situation, the CIF Executive Committee today announced that the first round of CIF baseball play-offs will be moved back to permit more time for end-of-the-season makeup games.

Originally scheduled to begin on May 16, the AAA division play-offs will be set back a week now starting on May 23 and continuing on the 26th, 31st, June 2 and 6.

Two teams from each of 16 leagues will qualify for the "AAA" division post-season competition.

The AA and A divisions were originally slated to get under way on May 19. Those divisions will now also begin on May 23 and continue on May 26, 31 and June 2.

Only league champions (one team) from each AA and A division leagues will qualify for play-off competition.



ENTANGLEMENT... Ken Magill of Torrance (245) rides over the flipping car of another driver during the Figure 8 stock car races at Ascot Park in Gardena. More than 100 drivers clash again tonight.