

Minor Leagues Battle for Crack at Dow

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Prizes Await Golf Winners

Walteria's playground golfers tee off tomorrow morning at 10:30 p.m. as the Pitch and Putt Tourney gets under way. Touring a course set up with sand traps, water traps, and other tests of skill, will be almost fifty link enthusiasts who are expected to participate. Most are under 16 years.

According to Dick Turner, who is in charge of the tournament, prizes will be awarded to the low finishers in the 18-hole play.

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Brooks Holds Lovelady To Two Hits; Fans 11

Dow Chemical, A League winners, remained this week the top contender for the City Softball Championship and winner of the Torrance Herald Trophy by downing Lovelady Hardware 4-1 in the second round of the Shaughnessy playoffs at the Torrance City Park Monday night.

The victors will rest on their laurels until Friday night, while B and C league winners battle it out for a chance at the A league winners.

Most probable opponent in the two out of three game championship playoffs is the Walteria Dukes. They whipped the Steelworkers Monday night and as this issue of the Herald went to press were battling it out with the weaker C league win-

ners, the Walteria Businessmen, under the arcs at Walteria. The winner of that game will meet the Dow Chemical hide-busters at the Torrance City Park on Friday night and again on Monday night. If a third game is required, the contest will be played August 16.

The trophies, including the Herald trophy (now in possession of Lovelady Hardware, last year's winner) will be presented to the victors at a bean feed to be held on August 17.

Last Monday's contest started off with a bang as Andy Anderson, left field for Lovelady, successfully negotiated the circuit to score the hardware team's sole run.

Speedball Artist "Rusty" Brooks allowed but two hits. He faced 23 batters and fanned 11. Al Coast and Bucky Kuhn got the two hits off Brooks.

Al Coast, chucking for Lovelady, allowed hits to Lenny Espinosa, Lou Briganti, and two to Jim Clampt. He fanned 8 batters.

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Lovelady 100 000 0-1 2
Dow 000 400 X-4 4
Batteries: Coast and Bennett, Brooks and Potat.



WHIRLWIND WIND-UP... To opposing batters who have faced "Rusty" Brooks, speedball pitcher for Dow Chemical, this is how they claim it looks when he starts his windmill windup. Where it comes from is hard to guess, but where it goes most umpires know, and so do the batters. Last week he pitched a 12-inning no-hit ball game that started his squad on the way to a crack at the city championship. (Herald photo).

Deadline Nears For 'Bean Feed' Reservations

Next week is the final week for reservations to the 1951 Softball Round-up, to be staged August 17, 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Auditorium, according to Red Moon of the Recreation Department. All interested in attending are urged to contact either a team manager or call in person at the Recreation Office, 1347 El Prado by Friday. There is a 50c donation for food costs. Any player, fan or foe, male or female, is invited.

First Playoffs, Won by Lakes, Businessmen

Great Lakes and the Walteria Businessmen slipped out victories over Pacific Electric and Hi-Shear last Friday night in the first round of the 1951 softball playoffs at Walteria park.

The Businessmen stretched their win streak to 21 games in defeating Hi Shear, 9-3. Hitting honors went to Fred Brown, the Hi Shear's first baseman who got three for four.

In the opener of the double header Pacific Electric, according to the line score, should have won the ball game. They hit the ball ten times as against four times for Great Lakes. The losers also had but one error while their opponents were credited with making five flubs. The final score was, 7-6 in favor of Great Lakes. The victors were aided by the sharp eyed batting of shortstop Charles Wheelchel who batted out two homers during his three trips to the plate. He walked on the other try.

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Businessmen 304 200 x 9 6 2
Hi Shear 201 000 0 3 8 4
Goulart and Norman; Perman, Sharp and Brann, Soria.

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Great Lakes 200 104 x 7 4 5
Pac. Elect. 011 011 2 6 10 1
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Brooks Hurls Perfect 12-Inning Ball Game

Fans around the Torrance Ball Park are still buzzing about the season's first perfect pitching performance which was turned in during the first game of the 1951 Herald Trophy Championships last week.

Star of the evening was Dow Styrene's Rusty Brooks who pitched 12 innings of perfect ball. He gave up no hits, no runs, and walked none.

Dow was meeting Three M in the first game of the playoff. From the first pitch, fans knew that they were in for a pitching battle between Brooks, and Three M's Sam Sunseri. Both are among the league's top hurlers.

Two Three M batters got on base—both as the result of errors. Dow batters did a little better, they tagged Sunseri for a total of seven hits, three of them in the 12th inning.

Catcher Jim Potat and Brooks finally broke up their game in the top of the 12th inning on an error and a homerun. Brooks got the home run.

POTAT SCORES
Potat made the first score when a hard single into left field went through Coy Black and out to the corner. By the time the ball had been retrieved, Potat was heading for the dugout with a score to his credit.

Lyle Van Dyke popped out to center field then Brooks slammed his homerun into left field to add the final touch to the rally. After Jack Malsed had popped out to end Dow's half of the inning, Brooks made short work of the Three M batters.

WHIFFED THREE
He struck out Sunseri, Dale Armstrong, and Ray Armenta to retire the side and the game was over.

A recapitulation of Brooks' performance for the evening goes like this. No hits, no runs, no walks, 20 strikeouts, and only two men to reach first, both on errors.

In the second game of the playoff, the Lovelady Hardware nine eliminated National Supply 5-1 to keep in the running for the Herald Trophy. Lovelady is the defending champion team.

They started the game with a run as Bucky Kuhn, the first man up, singled and scored when third baseman Bobby Brown singled. Bucky hit three for four in the game and scored twice. National pitcher Art Huntsman couldn't fool the Hardware bat-

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Seventh Inning Homer Gives Win To Businessmen

Jack Burgen's last inning homer, coming with two away gave victory to the Walteria Businessmen over Great Lakes Tuesday night in the C League Softball playoffs at the Torrance City Park.

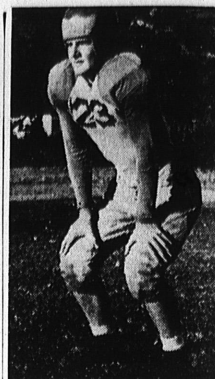
Shortstop Burgen clouted one into deep right center field and made the trip around the diamond to bring the score to 4-3.

The victory put the Businessmen in line for a crack at the city championship—that is if they can best the Dukes whom they were meeting at Walteria as these pages were being printed Wednesday night.

Heavy hitter of the evening was Bud Malle, the Businessmen's left fielder, who collected three hits in four trips to the plate. His last was a homer that tied up the ball game and set up the victory for Burgen's four-bagger.

Ed Goulard fanned seven Great Lakes batters while J. Ward could only salt away five Walteria batters.

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Great Lakes 010 010 0 3 3
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Batteries: Ward and Saldana, Goulard and Norman.



JACK TAYLOR
... Joins Air Force

Ex-Tartar Athlete in Air Force

Arriving at Lackland Air Force Base this week to begin basic training as an Airman was Jack Taylor, of 25338 Pennsylvania avenue, who was an outstanding athlete at Torrance High School before he was graduated in 1949.

While attending Torrance High, he starred in the Varsity football backfield for two years and was catcher on the Torrance High School baseball team.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor, he is married to the former Nila Elpper.

Summer Rod Championships Slated for Saturday Night

Greatest gathering of drivers ever to compete in a Hot Rod race at Carrell Speedway will take part in the Summer Championships scheduled for Saturday night, August 11, on the fast Gardena half-mile.

In the first place, all the Southland CRA Hot Rod stars such as Champion Boltin' Bob Denny, Colby Scroggins, Dick Webb and Walt James will be on hand.

Then there will be ten and more top pilots from the CVRA, the Central Valley Racing Association, headed by stock car ace, Dick Myers and Tom Houts, both of Porterville.

San Jose's URI is sending its champ, Jim Gilchrist, while the famed Lompoc "T" Club will be represented by Buck Riley, of Buellton.

LOCAL TALENT
Local mighty midget circles will have their own aces, Johnny Garrett, Chuck Hulise and Chuck (Satan) Leighton, while the jockey boys will be well represented by Nick Valenta, Sunny Pratt and Carol Axtell.

Old timers of the Southland and "Hot Rods" Archie Tip-ton, Corvie Tullio and Dick Hughes will be out for fast action, all of which causes Track Manager Don Basile to predict an entry of better than forty cars.

Two weeks ago Walt James and Colby Scroggins invaded Porterville and walked off with all the honors. Colby won the Trophy Dash, while James walked

A graduate of Santa Barbara, Bailey earned his master's degree at Stanford. He is qualified to teach biological sciences, a college official said.

In addition to handling the basketball team, the new coach will teach physical education and hygiene.

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