

88 Boys Trying Out for 28 Vacancies in Little League

Eighty-eight boys are trying out for the 28 openings in the Morehead City Little League baseball program. Publicity chairman Floyd Chadwick says all the boys have looked good in practice and it will be a hard job for the managers to pick the 28 boys who will take the places of players who aged out of the program last year.

Player agent Bill Fahy and all the managers have been keeping close check on the players, hoping to make fair selections when the player auction comes off in the near future.

Mr. Chadwick says, "We hope the boys who do not get picked will not be discouraged. Most of the boys who do not make a team this year will still have a couple of years eligibility left and can try out again next year."

"The league is limited to the number who can play in the program. We do not have the facilities nor the manpower to field more than a four-team league."

The league schedule has been completed and play will begin May 28. A double header will be played on opening day. The Small Frys will meet the Idle Hour in the opener and the Elks and Moose will tangle in the second game.

Mr. Chadwick reminds all boys who played last year to turn in their registration cards to Dr. Fahy at the practice sessions next week. Practice will be conducted on the following schedule: Tuesday — boys 8 and 9 years old; Wednesday — boys 10 years old; and Thursday — boys 11 and 12 years old.

Operation Alert
Operation Alert, a nation-wide Civil Defense test, will get under way today. All Civil Defense officials have been alerted to be able to participate in their particular areas. CD chairmen in the county are Mrs. W. J. Ipoek, Beaufort; D. Cordova, Morehead City, and Jack Savage, Atlantic Beach.

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Fab Fisherman Tells Story Of 'Beginning of Season'

By BOB SIMPSON

Few people know what started the 1958 fishing season, but here's the straight scoop: it was a long, hard winter, as anyone can, and will, tell you, but one nice day in February (we understand there was one) Capt. Johnny Guthrie decided to put a coat of paint on his boat Tommy Lulu to tide her over 'till spring.

Immediately everyone else on the waterfront dug out the sandpaper, paint and brushes and began readying boats for the fishing season. By the end of April all the boats were ready for the season—all, that is, except Tommy Lulu. That's Capt. Johnny's story, and we believe him.

Every season brings many changes, but this spring seems to be off to a better start, with everyone expecting big things. The list of improvements is impressive: Mom & Pop's, with a new dining room and trailer park big enough to accommodate the trailers of 30 fishing and vacationing parties; the new Morehead ocean pier; the enlargement of Edgewater Lodge's marina to take larger, deeper draft boats; Fleming's restaurant redecorated with the Carolina Queen tied alongside.

A new headboat is in the offing. Capt. Charlie Smith is out of "retirement" with another boat at the foot of Sixth Street. Capt. Joe Rose's Edna is relocated just west of the Sanitary. Sam Ballou's Pal, a latecomer last fall, has been fixed up with a flying bridge and is docked alongside Capt. Bill's.

Bunny Two is due to arrive from Cannon's this week. Ho-Hum has recently arrived at the Sinclair docks from Norfolk and Alfred Pittman's Lois Nancy is just back from the yard with a new look.

On the causeway, two new cottages have been built at B. J. White's; a new seawall is up at L. T. Smith's and a redecorating job is finished at Rygge's cafe. At the yacht basin are a number of new pilings, some finger piers extended and the T-head lengthened (and filled up the first night).

Personnel: Barry West and Bill Finch gone from the Triple-Ess and Sportsman Piers, but still in town; their replacements, M. L. Snipes and Raymond Duke. Jerry Schumacher gone from 411 Evans—our loss, Charlotte's gain.

Personnel needed (with apologies to the want-ad department of THE NEWS-TIMES): a skipper for Ho-Hum at the Sinclair docks, and for Henry Holt's and Earl Rygge's inshore boats on the causeway; an urgent need for some Fabulous Fishermen.

Fishing? Oh yes, fishing. Sea mullet are about to carry away the ocean piers; Sgt. E. C. Blumberg of Cherry Point made the largest single catch we know of—

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158 from the Triple-Ess. Largest sea mullet, unofficially, 1 1/4 pounds, by Maj. E. H. Arndt, Morehead City, from Sportsman Pier. Believing that "if you can't lick 'em, join 'em," Earl Thompson at Emerald Isle offered three days of free fishing for the biggest skate of the day.

In the department of firsts, Dance brought in the first sea bass; Carolina Queen, Dolphin and Joy II shared honors with the first red snappers Sunday; Theodore Lewis' Sylvia made the first inshore catch of blues Sunday.

B. J. White, reporting sound and river activities, told us about the first cobia hung and lost, and the first bluefish, a 1 1/2-pounder.

Fishing from the inshore piers — Bunch's, Fleming's, Mom and Pop's — came to life over the weekend, with sea mullet at the top of the list. Capt. Otis Reported a fine catch of gray trout and sea mullet brought to his market by fishermen near Ft. Macon.

Sea mullet and gray trout have moved into sound and river in force; one pair of skiff fishermen caught 90 sea mullet in a half-day; another party of 4 had 192 fish, 69 of them gray trout.

Add another cash prize to the list this week: Bump and Adam at the yacht basin have offered \$25.00 for the first billfish brought in by a boat from the yacht basin. And Tom Potter is still accepting pledges to the blue marlin cash prize.

Earlier in the season, before many of the fish had got the word, Percy Howland made a bet with Shorty Smith that he would eat any fish Shorty brought in that day, fur, feathers and all. We went down to witness this great gastronomic event, found Percy getting ready to leave town.

Rotarians Hear Safety Program

BM/1 John Gaskill of the Fort Macon Coast Guard station spoke on water safety at the Morehead City Rotary Club meeting Thursday night at the Rex Restaurant.

Mr. Gaskill discussed safety equipment required on all boats and told about the Guard's policy on the boarding of boats for safety checks.

Mr. Gaskill was the guest of program chairman Dr. Silas Thorne. The Rotary Club will meet this week since the members voted to go to the chamber of commerce banquet Thursday night.

'Finger' Writes In Prison Paper

Menard, Ill. (AP)—The Menard Time, one of the nation's most unusual prison newspapers, has begun its 25th year of publication.

It is among 125 prisoner-published newspapers and magazines in the United States. It is edited by and for inmates of Menard State Prison.

Its three-man editorial staff are graduates of college courses provided by Southern Illinois University. Its circulation is 6,391, of which 4,636 copies go outside.

Among its several features, which include guest-written articles on the Great Books, is a gossip column by an anonymous writer who calls himself "The Finger."

He reports the day-to-day peccadilloes of Menard's 2,325 inmates and 344 employees.

Carlson says football at Colorado "pays for itself and a little more" and that "scholarships are based on scholastic attainment, individual need and character."

Sea Mullet Start to Run



Mrs. Lucy "Duck" Hardy of Morehead City spends every Monday during the summer at one of the ocean piers. Last week she put all the men to shame by catching two of the largest sea mullet landed this year. Here she pulls off a 1 1/2-pounder — some mighty good eating.

Learn Where Strike Zone Is, Advises Jim Gilliam

By JIM GILLIAM

Learning the strike zone is one of the first things a young player should work on. After that, knowing the pitcher helps. By that I mean a hitter should watch the opposing pitcher every chance he gets. A hitter soon will learn that pitcher's best pitch.

You've got to know what a pitcher will throw you when he gets in trouble, and what he will throw when you're in trouble.

I can't overpower the ball like Duke Snider, Roy Campanella, Gil Hodges and Willie Mays. They're all big fellows when it comes to hitting. I have to settle for singles.

I can't always pull the ball to the fence so I've got to go to left field when I bat lefthanded. I just try to hit the ball where it's pitched. I think that's the thing to do unless you're a big fellow and can slug the ball.

Richie Ashburn of the Phillies led the National League in hitting two years ago just by hitting the ball where it was pitched.

I feel fortunate in that I hit .300 last year to lead the Dodgers in hitting. I hit more left-handed because we seldom face left-handed pitchers. If we faced left-handers I would get more chances to bat right-handed. My natural power is right-handed.

I have pretty good speed and I bunt a lot when I bat against southpaws. Batting left-handed gives me a big jump because I'm

closer to first base. And bunting helps if you are in a slump. When you can't buy a base hit a bunt will pick you up and help your confidence.

The first two years I played pro ball (1946-47) I was all right-handed. George Scales, who managed the Baltimore Elite Giants, saw I was weak as a batter so he asked me to try hitting left-handed. At first it was a lot of trouble batting left-handed, but with Scales' help I began to get the knack of becoming a switch hitter.

It's a big advantage in baseball. You get to play all the time.

Metal Works Shop Closes While Workers Hunt

Ronceverte, W. Va. (AP) — A metal works factory ran this classified in the weekly West Virginia News: "Notice. We ain't a-taking inventory, we ain't makin' no repairs. We're all goin' a-huntin', we don't think nobody cares. Shop closed Friday and Saturday."

The yacht Hannah from Welles-bay, Mass., ran aground one-half mile east of the Atlantic Beach bridge at 3:49 a.m. Saturday. Coast Guardsmen EN/1 Earl Sells, EN/2 James Garoh and SN Allison Day pulled the yacht into deep water and towed it to the yacht basin.

With the Armed Forces

Pfc. Richard D. Bradshaw To Take Part in Exercise

Fort Polk, La.—Pfc. Richard D. Bradshaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie G. Bradshaw, route 2 Newport, is scheduled to act as a member of an aggressor force in simulated combat exercises to be held in Louisiana early next month.

Bradshaw is regularly assigned as a rifleman in the 52nd Infantry's Company B at Fort Hood, Tex. He entered the Army in March 1957 and completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C.

The 18-year-old soldier attended Beaufort High School.

Washington, D. C.—Pvt. Eddie M. Jones, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Jones Sr., 604 Cedar St., Beaufort, recently was assigned to the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D. C.

A member of the center's department of nuclear medicine, Jones entered the Army last January and completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C.

He is a 1952 graduate of Queen Street High School and a 1956

graduate of North Carolina A & T College. In civilian life Jones was employed as an instructor at Sampson High School, Clinton.

Pensacola, Fla.—Undergoing pre-flight training at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla., is Naval aviation cadet John C. Deibert, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Deibert, route 1 Morehead City.

Deibert served as an enlisted man before entering the flight program. Included in the 16-week officer indoctrination training is



John C. Deibert III ... at Pensacola

aviation science, navigation, and other technical courses. Following completion of pre-flight, he will be assigned to the Sauffley Field Naval Auxiliary Air Station in Pensacola for primary flight training.

Memphis, Tenn.—William C. Gillikin, airman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Gillikin of Smyrna, is attending a seven-week course in jet mechanics at the Aviation Machinist's Mate School, Naval Air Technical Training Center, Memphis, Tenn.

Students at this school learn the maintenance and repair of jet propulsion plants used in naval aviation. The course began April 7.

Touchdown Club Adds Members, Asks for More

The newest member of the Morehead City Touchdown Club is Frank Cassiano. Mr. Cassiano wrote treasurer Nick Galantis, "It is my humble opinion that you are due a vote of thanks by all the students in the Morehead City schools... for your work in the formation of the Boosters (now Touchdown) Club... It is my intention to become a member immediately and in all other ways to support this organization to the best of my ability."

According to Touchdown Club president Bernard Leary, there are hundreds of football fans like Mr. Cassiano who are beginning to see the value of the club and who are anxious to join.

The Touchdown Club is composed of men and women who like to see Morehead City teams playing with the best equipment and best coaching available. The club has no desire to make or change school policy concerning the football program.

Any fan desiring to join the club can contact Mr. Leary, Mr. Galantis, Thomas Oglesby or John Baker. New membership cards have been printed and all members are requested to ask one of the officers for these cards.

Charlie Grimm Finds Fame is Fleeting Thing

Waukesha, Wis. (AP) — Sports Editor Tom Guyant of the Waukesha Daily Freeman mailed a letter to Charlie Grimm, the Milwaukee Brave manager who resigned last June.

The letter came back, marked "Unknown."

Grimm is now a vice-president with the Chicago Cubs.

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