

Eye on Sports

by Roy Harris

For the first time in Webster swimming team history, Coach Frederick Boyd is considering putting a girl on the squad. Feeling that girls should be able to join the swim team if they can make it, Jane Olenick expressed her anxiousness about the matter. "I've been swimming since I was four and see nothing wrong with a girl being on the team," she commented in a recent interview.

There is a touchy situation involving dressing rooms which Jane hopes she could straighten out if she qualifies for the squad. Coach Boyd is also looking into the legal aspects of the matter, but it appears that there are no rules prohibiting girls from school swim team participation.

"Swimming is not only a masculine sport," Jane continued. "I think that girls should be able to swim and play tennis and help their schools in these activities." She is convinced that she can compete against boys from other schools.

With the wrestling season beginning with a home meet against Berkeley, December 3, a coaching addition has been made. Coach Bryant, recovering from the surprise of an admittedly unexpected winning season in sophomore football, is now being aided by Mickey Wright, a Webster Groves fireman and past national collegiate wrestling champion from Iowa University.

Swimmers ready for first meet

Webster's 1963-64 swim team, with four returning seniors and five second year juniors, is preparing for its first meet at University City, December 13-14.

Senior Gary George specializes in the breast stroke, Bill Willert in the 50 yard free style, Terry Heman in the butterfly, and Bill Mueller in diving. Doug Lonergan, Herb Holland, Bern Feckter, Dave Schwonginger, and Karl Knickmeyer are returning juniors.

New prospects on the squad include sophomore Ron Barker in the individual medley, and Jack Frink, a National Amateur Athletics Union champion from Hixson.

Although several strong swimmers like Doug Gill and Bill Freund were lost this year, Mr. Boyd is enthusiastic about the prospects. "This year's team shows great promise," he stated.

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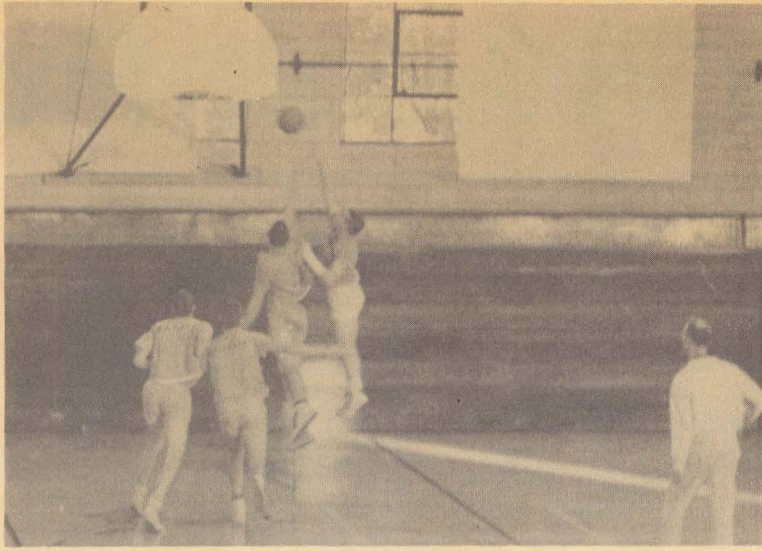


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Coach Yates looks on as basketball prospects fight for rebound.

Yates optimistic about prospects

"These boys have spirit and are real hustlers - - great assets. I don't mind saying I think we'll have a good team." These were the optimistic remarks Coach Tyke Yates had concerning the 1963-64 varsity basketball team.

Returning letterman are Ron Wagner, Bob Mabry, and Tom Stuber. Other second year men are John Stocke and Ron Howren. Gary Cobb, Larry Turner, Kurt Wissehr, Bill Mikkelson, Jim Durham, and Dwight Wilkinson, all members of last year's B-team are prospects for this year's team. Newcomers this year to Webster basketball are Dave Stewart, Jim Allen, and Glen Skinner.

Mr. Yates said that this year, as before, the team will use a man-to-man defense—"our trademark," in his words. In the offensive attack there will be "a lot of ball handling and rotating of positions,

often leaving men open for the layup," remarked Coach Yates. "We're also working on the fast break," he added.

According to Mr. Yates, the team to beat is Ritenour. "They have four returning starters and had a great B-team last year," he said. Other tough teams will be Maplewood, McCluer, University City, Ladue, and Kirkwood. Giving a total picture for the coming year's season, Mr. Yates summarized, "We have size, speed, and desire, and can look for a good year."

December Basketball Schedule

December 6—McKinley here
December 10—Southwest here
December 13—Clayton there
December 17—Hazelwood here
December 20—Kirkwood there

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Girls' field hockey squad triumphs over Ritenour

The varsity hockey team began its season November 12 by losing to Kirkwood, but bounced back, beating Ritenour 2-1.

Team members, chosen from class teams, are captains Sara Tweedie and Mary Ann Brock, Emily Eddy, Marilyn Goodman, Serena Harkey, Nancy Kettenbrink, Vicki Larason, Frankie Mitchell, Annette Randall, Pat Samuels, Lauren Standish, Mary Turner, Joan Welhoelter, Nancy Woods, Penny Wright, and Jenny Young. In addition to those on the varsity, girls winning positions on class teams were sophomores Ann Baker, Pat Brandin, Karen Druschky, Joyce Draper, Karen Geyer, Stacey Hall, Margaret Mellor, Mary Mills, Abby Shaw, June Tuffli, Bev Wors, and captain Sara Hencke.

B-team wins four straight to bring record to 6-1

"Three cheers for Coach Bryant!" was the unanimous shout for the proud and happy coach of the Webster B-team. He had just entered the bus returning the victorious team to Webster after its final game. This game, the team's fourth consecutive win, brought the season record to 6-1.

The only sad memory of the season was the 13-6 defeat handed Webster by McCluer, October 4. Two touchdowns by quarterback Gary Howran and halfback Herb Whitner gave the squad a 12-6 victory over Kirkwood. The team defeated Riverview Gardens by the same score the next week.

The highest scoring game of the season was with Normandy. Helpless against Webster's offense and defense, the Vikings were shut out 28-0. The high point of the game was an 80 yard run by the fullback, Bill Lester.

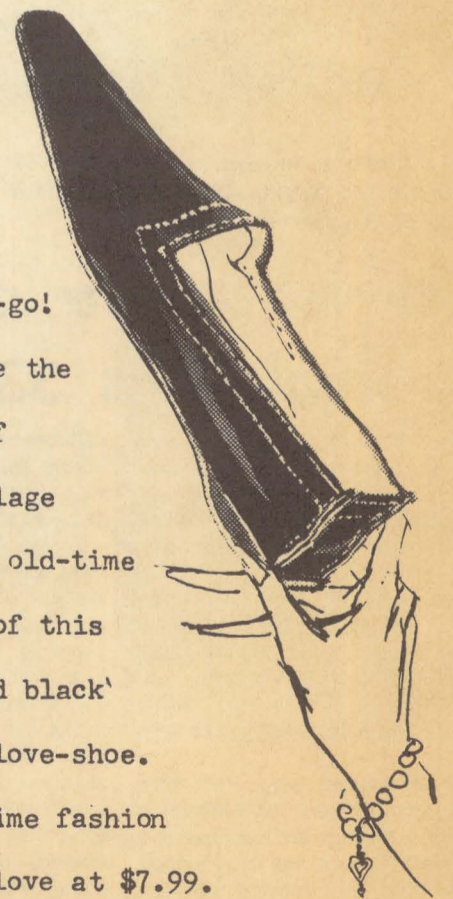
Probably the toughest game was the Ladue contest. A second quarter touchdown by Herb Whitner and an extra point run by Bill Lester gave Webster an early lead. A fifty yard run by Ladue in the third quarter left Ladue only one point behind as the conversion attempt was blocked. After holding Ladue during the grueling fourth quarter, the tired sophomore squad headed for its bus, again victorious, 7-6.

Juniors were Lynda Bill, Carol Brock, Kathy Druschky, Ella Jones, Joan McKerrow, Ev Neisinger, Ginzy Schaefer, Martha Schaeffer, and Sharon Thompson.

Seniors were Mary Bashford, Marilyn Heuduck, Martha Heuduck, Barb Jones, Nancy Kisslinger, and Jo Ellen Koeppel. Annette Randall and Lauren Stanish were captains of the junior and senior teams, respectively.

Bowling and badminton tournaments began this fall. After three rounds, bowling team #16, with a team average score of 119, leads second place team #17 by five points. Members of team #16 are Christy Bland, Ruth Loveless, Jane Olenick, Cheri Simmons, and captain Marilyn Goodman. Pat Gordon, Lauren Stanish, Joan Welhoelter, Jenny Young and captain Barb Jones make up team #17. Cheri Simmons and Lauren Stanish are high bowlers, both having an average of 133.

In the annual singles badminton tournament, senior Sue Menke defeated junior Judy Marsh to capture the title.



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