

Tyrone Hines demonstrates throw that earned him the 1980 Open Distance Title

(Photo by: Adams High Communications Department.)

# Hines seeks international record

By Ullyssess Tucker, Jr.

Look, up into the sky, it's a bird, it's a plane, no it's a frisbee that was tossed by Tyrone Hines, a Northeast Portland resident who competes in the International Frisbee Association.

Hines, a former teacher in the Portland Public Schools, is a 1976 graduate of Oregon State University (B.S. education). He has been competing on a national level for the past three years.

When questioned about how he started throwing frisbee, Hines quickly replied, "I was attending the University of Portland a few years back and I needed a energy release. I didn't know many people so I use to spend a lot of time between classes throwing frisbee."

Hines explains further, "Then one day I was passing by Laurel-Hurst Park one day and saw a bunch of cars. Once I moved closer to where all the people were, I found out that it was a frisbee tournament. So I paid my one dollar entry fee

and beat the entire field. I didn't really think about what I was doing. I just went out and performed to the best of my ability," he said.

Since those early days, the muscular Hines has spent countless hours in the Matt Dishman Community Center lifting weights and jogging to stay in excellent physical condition.

In Irvine, California earlier this year, Hines fought off a strong southern California field that was joined by visiting champion Scott Zimmerman. Tyrone used a turn around backhand and won with a throw of 118 meters in the finals.

Hines next stop was in Tempe, Arizona, where he came into the frisbee competition unranked and beat eight of the top throwers in the world. He won with a healthy toss of 122.66 meters and thought that he should have throwed it farther.

After Hines performance in Arizona, the International Frisbee Association made the following comment: "Although the world ranking of 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, and 10

were on hand, Tyrone Hines showed up once again and edged Joseph Youngman in the finals for his second Open Distance title of the year. Tyrone has thus established himself as one of the leading powers in the current distance world..." Tyrone's toss is the best toss of the young season and he wants to break the world record of 135 meters.

Hines, a native of Schenectady, New York plans to attack the world record in the Seattle Kingdom (August 19th - 24th). "I'm pretty sure that I can break the record," he said. "It's all about ryhthm and you know that's what our culture is all about." Hines says that he is the only Black competing in national frisbee competition.

What injustices have you confronted as a Black competing in a non-traditional sport like frisbee?

"Well, there was one instance when I won an event and didn't get a trophy. Everyone else received theirs, why not me? The judges told me that they would send it in the mail. I'm still waiting and that was several months ago. I contacted the International Frisbee Association but they said that they couldn't do anything about it."

"At another competition, I was asked if I wanted to have another throw off after I beat the entire field convincingly. Do you think the Lakers would play Philly one more time for all the money after they won the championship?

Do you have any sponsors?

"That's something I've had difficulties with," said Hines. "It puzzles me when I can defeat all the top throws in the United States and still see them on and in all the frisbee publications.

"There have been instances when sponsors have made offers, but when they found out that I was Black, they gave me all those excuses to why the deal did not materialize. I know for a fact that they don't want many Blacks advertising their products, if any. This one tennis show company told me that they would give me a 25 percent discount if I wore their sweat suit to every competition.

"Why couldn't they just give me the outfit like they do all the other guys? They made it sound like they were doing me a favor," said Hines. "I've been around a long time to not understand what's happening...'

Hines, a former minor league baseball player with the Pittsburgh Pirate organization (1967 owns one of the largest frisbee collection in Oregon, (250).

"I'd like to encourage all youngsters to get involved in frisbee it enhances motor skills," he said. Can you imagine someone throwing a frisbee from one end zone to another on a football field? Wow!

> The first space traveler who was neither Russian nor American was a Czech, Vladimir Remek, who left earth and later returned aboard Russia's Soyuz 28 spacecraft on March 2, 1978.



## Sport Talk

by Ron Sykes Sports editor

This month (June) pro basketball will hold its annual draft with 23 teams selecting the best collegiate players available. Last month (May) was the deadline for colleges to sign the best prep players available; which leads to the question of which is more exciting, pro ball or college? My vote goes to the collegiate game.

Wherever, or however, about the middle of March last year, I finally figured out why college basketball is a much better game than its professional counterpart. I always knew that basketball at the college level is a happier event, more festive, beautiful rally girls...that it is better, if not more skillfully played, better coached, because young men are more eager to learn than those high paid, egotistical giants of the pro game, and yes, it's even better officiated; that it is athletically superior and technically more correct; that, simply put, it is more meaningful than the pro game. Now, I didn't always believe in the college game. What brought the contrast more clearly into view was that, on the rare occasions last spring when I could steal a Sunday afternoon to watch a college game on the tube. Believe me, this was a tough decision because usually a pro

#### Court requires Black police

The Department of Justice announced a consent decree requiring the Onondaga County, New York, Sheriff's Department to hire more Blacks and women as deputy sheriffs for road patrol.

Attorney General Benjamin R. Civiletti said the decree was filed in U.S. District Court in Syracuse, New York, resolving an employment discrimination suit filed at the same time.

The suit charged county and state officials with violating the nondiscrimination provisions of the Revenue Sharing and Law Enforcement Assistance Administration Funding Act by failing to hire Blacks and women on an equal basis with white men.

The suit also said hiring tests have a discriminatory impact on Blacks and women and have not been shown to predict successful job per-

The department has 116 road patrol officers, of whom two are Black and one is a woman, the suit said. In addition, 48 percent of the white applicants who took the last written examination passed while only 31 percent of nonwhites passed, the suit added.

The consent decree permanently enjoins the county from engaging in any discriminatory employment practice and establishes interim and long-range goals for the hiring of Blacks and women as road patrol

The decree requires the county to seek to fill 20 percent of vacancies with qualified Blacks until Blacks make up 10 percent of the road patrol force. The decree also requires filling another 20 percent of vacancies with women until their numbers approximate their interest in and ability to qualify for those jobs.

The New York State Civil Service Commission, a defendant in the suit, is also required to certify a sufficient number of qualified Blacks and women to the county to allow the county to meet the goals.

If the list of persons certified as eligible for appointment does not contain Blacks and women, the county may hold noncompetitive examinations to add them to the eligible list.

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game was on at the same time. Watching the college game, something adventurous, something spontaneous would always happen. Right there in my own living room.

The bottom line with the pros is of course, money. But the total beneath the bottom line is that nothing happens. There has to be a relationship there somewhere. One of the biggest stories of recent years in the NBA "happened" in Kansas City earlier this season. Daryl Dawkins, "Chocolate Thunder" if you wish, in the flesh finally fulfilled his childhood dream and got himself a nice, big glass backboard. Great story, right? So was big D's original articulate reaction: "I didn't get no comment." Now, that isn't meant to redicule Big D, because this writer would rather hunt lions in the jungle without a rifle, than to harass Mr. Dawkins.

This year the pros say their game has made the transition (sorry), passing the collegiate variety, what with the coming of Magic Johnson,

Larry Bird and the three point field Hallelujah!

Now, taking last things first, NBA gunners have been taking those outrageous long bombs for years. Usually a shot from that distance, in the past, was a quick ticket to the bench, this year they're proclaiming it is the savior of pro basketball, saying it adds excitement. Don't understand, as for Bird and Johnson, isn't it ironic that after just one season among "the greatest players in the world," Johnson's patent game...take a pass, give a shot and, glory be, rebound too -- has capapulted the Lakers to the NBA championship? And the Magic man is physically and mentally little more than a college junior, yet in Abdul-Jabbar's absence, stood head and shoulders above the NBA's best. It becomes painfully apparent this time of year that the NBA just plays too many games. The athletes, in human terms, not economic -- are paid too much and slack off too frequently.

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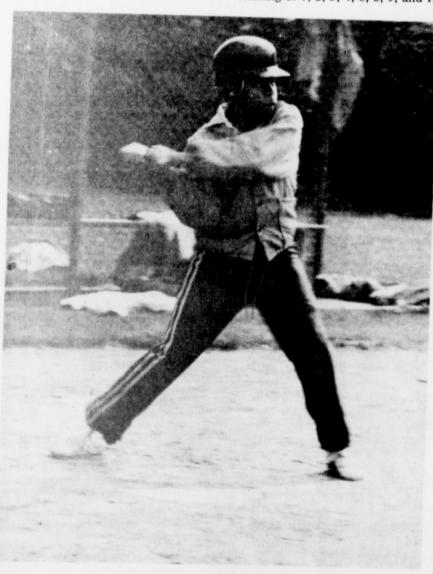
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