

Sports Opinion

# The Sixth Man

By Ashley Conklin

Here we go again...the great American pastime, baseball. Just a few notes on last Tuesday's major league all-star game: Most Valuable Player Roger Clemens of the Boston Red Sox was nothing short of awesome on the mound for the victorious American League squad. Clemens pitched three perfect innings to start the contest and threw 25 pitches, 21 of them strikes.

Granted, there were seven other great pitchers on the AL staff that evening, but it would have been nice to see what Clemens could have done over nine innings. Sure, the Sox wouldn't have liked him overworked, and the other pitchers deserved a fair share of the mound work, but could you imagine a nine inning perfect game in all-star competition? Wow.

Many people are criticizing the New York Mets' Dwight Gooden this year, the National League's starting pitcher. Gooden, who won the NL Cy Young award last season, came into the all-star game with a 104 record and a 2.77 ERA.

The AL won the game 3-2 on home runs by second basemen Lou Whitaker (of Detroit) and Frank White (of Kansas City). Gooden gave up Whitaker's smash and was said to have struggled throughout his three innings.

Maybe Gooden has thrown his arm out at only 21, but in a game of all-stars something has to give.

For the AL it was their second win in the last four years. The AL's victory was only their second in the past 15 tries, and only third in the last 24 times. They have often been criticized for their losing ways.

But, one fails to recognize that the last NL squad to win the World Series was the St. Louis Cardinals in 1982. So, while the NL might consistently win one battle, the AL consistently wins each war.

The Los Angeles Dodgers Fernando Valenzuela relieved Gooden in the fourth inning and struck out five consecutive batters to tie Carl Hubbell's 52-year old record. In his three innings, Valenzuela allowed only one hit and ran his streak of scoreless all-star innings to 7½. He also became the first pitcher in all-star history to strike out the side twice. He last accomplished that feat in the 1984 all-star contest.

Getting away from baseball, congratulations are in order for the Great White Shark, Australian Greg Norman, for winning this year's men's British Open golf championship. Earlier this year Norman had led the Master's and U.S. Open golf tournaments before squandering them away. Norman, through all his futility this year, had set a single-season money-winning record in the United States by earning \$547,779. At the British Open he added a lofty sum of \$105,000 to that. Not a bad year's work by any means.

For years John McEnroe was the best men's singles player in the world. From 1981-84 McEnroe won four straight Wimbledon championships as a singles player and formed with Peter Fleming to form the best men's doubles team in the world as well.

Last year McEnroe was upset early at Wimbledon. Now, after six months away from the sport that made him the best in the world, McEnroe is ready to return. Even though McEnroe was the best player in the world, he was often criticized and hated for his temper which produced anything but respect and showered him with numerous fines.

McEnroe says he has a new outlook on life, thanks to the birth of his son Kevin, now seven weeks old, and his engagement to actress Tatum O'Neal.

McEnroe's first scheduled match will take place on Thursday against Ivan Lendl, the current number one ranked player in the world.

Only time will tell if McEnroe has changed, but if he becomes too predictable, it might be nice to see him return to his old ways.

## W.C.C.C. Golf

### Jack & Jill July 11

First Place - Harriet and Gerald Pierson. Second Place - John and Pat Edmundson, Floyd and Lorena Jones, Rick and Susan Johnston (tie). Team Best Ball - 1st - Pierson, Harrison, Struthers; 2nd - Norris, Johnston.

KP, second shot - Floyd & Lorena Jones. KP, second shot - Earl and Carol Norris, Floyd and Lorena Jones (tie). KP - Ed Struthers, Coral Mitchel. Long Drive - Earl Fishburn, Barbara Cutsforth.

### Wednesday Ladies July 16

Low gross - Jan Paustain. Low net - Lucille Massey. Least putts - Harriet Batty. Long drive - Jo Pettyjohn. K.P. - Verna Brinda.

### Medal Play Tournament July 19

First Flight: first low gross - John Edmundson, second low gross - Ed Struthers and Barry Munkers (tie), fourth low gross - Doug Smith, fifth low gross - Ron Bowman. Long Drive - John Edmundson. KP - Bob Jepsen.

Second Flight: first low gross - Elmer Palmer, second low gross - George Waterland, third low gross - Jim Wishart, fourth low gross - Jerry Dagget, fifth low gross - Jerry Cutsforth. Long Drive and KP - George Waterland.

The next Jack and Jill tournament will be Friday, August 1 at the Willow Creek Country Club in Heppner.

The scrambler tournament will pair two couples for a four-person team. All will tee-off on No. 1 and be paired as they arrive, said a tournament spokesperson. Tee-offs will begin at 4 p.m. and continue until 6:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome. Couples do not have to compete in the Couples Tournament to play in the Jack and Jill.

Snacks will be served. Those who wish to register for the second annual Heppner Couples Tournament should send registration to Jim Wishart, Heppner.

Tuesday, July 15 seven ladies from Willow Creek Country Club traveled to Echo Hills Country Club for 18 holes of golf and a lovely lunch. Those from here winning prizes were:

Low gross-Lois Hunt. Second low gross-Barbara Cutsforth and Low net-Anita Boyer.

On Thursday, July 17th Willow Creek Country Club had the string tournament that was canceled the previous week because of rain. Nineteen ladies signed up to play.

Eileen Padberg won first place. Susan Johnson second. Lois Hunt and Barbara Cutsforth tied for third.

There were four chip ins-Anita Boyer, Betty Rietman, Lucille Massey and Norma French.

## Weddings



### Robinson — Hunt

Tricia Jeannine Hunt and Curtis Dean Robinson, both of Pendleton were married May 10 at the Reno Wedding Chapel in Reno, Nevada. The Rev. Bruce Ford read the wedding ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hunt of Lexington. The bridegroom's parents are the late Shirley Robinson of Athena, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Robinson of Elgin.

The bride wore a white appliqued satin wedding gown with a dropped waistline and soft ruffle just above the knee. She carried a bouquet of blue and white silk flowers made by a friend, Florence Selves. The bride also wore her grandmother's antique necklace.

Man of honor was the bride's brother, Gary Hunt from Hermiston. Best woman was Marilyn Helling, sister of the bridegroom from Weston.

A wedding reception was given by the bride's parents at the Heppner United Methodist Church on June 1.

The couple took a wedding trip to Reno, Nevada, Lake Tahoe, and the California and Oregon coasts.

The bride is a graduate of Heppner High School and Blue Mt. Community College. She is employed by the East Central Oregon Assoc. of Counties in Pendleton.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Pilot Rock High School and BMCC. He is employed at Pendleton Ford, Lincoln, Mercury in Pendleton.

The couple will reside in Pendleton.

## County Agent's Corner

By Fred Lunden  
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\*Mushrooms in the lawn are a terrible nuisance. When they form a circle, they are known as fairy ring, and become a pest, killing parts of the lawn.

Mushrooms are the fruiting structures of a kind of fungus called Basidiomycetes. The mushrooms rise from mycelium growing beneath the soil surface. This mycelium has a tendency to grow in all directions from a central point, forming a large, invisible, circular colony.

The mushrooms grow in the perimeter of the colony, forming a ring.

Such a ring has been called a fairy ring because of an old superstition that mushrooms growing in a circle represent the path of dancing fairies.

Many fungi produce fairy rings, but the most common is Marasmius oreades, the fairy ring mushroom. It has been known to live for 400 years, and to produce a crop of mushrooms each year.

Although these fungi are not pathogenic, (they feed on undecomposed organic matter such as large roots and organic mulches) they are a nuisance.

Symptoms are rings of dark green grass one foot to thirty feet across with mushrooms, toadstools, or puffballs in the ring. Dead grass is often found inside the ring of dark green grass.

There is not good control. Fairy rings indicate a large amount of undecomposed organic matter in the soil. The following is suggested:

-Remove large roots and other organic debris before planting lawn.

-Fertilize and water to promote good grass growth.

-Soak rings daily for about a month. Punch holes 4 to 6 inches deep in the ring to aerate and improve water penetration.

Before tearing up a lawn and reseeded, visit your Extension Agent for guidelines in establishing a lawn.

-Don't hesitate to harvest from the home garden. A properly harvested garden can be a high-yielding garden.

Regular picking encourages fruiting vegetable plants such as cucumbers, squash, bushbeans, peppers, broccoli, and eggplants to even greater production. Even a few fruits left to mature on a cucumber plant will stop new fruit from setting.

Once a zucchini starts going to seed, the plant is triggered into a different growing stage and won't develop any more squash.

Look for the following qualities when harvesting vegetables:

-Bush beans. Pick them when at least three inches long. Pods should be just starting to bulge.

-Squash. Summer squash ready for picking are medium-sized with rinds that are easily dented with a fingernail. Winter squashes are ready for harvesting when their rinds are firm enough that they can't easily be dented with a fingernail.

-Tomatoes. Size is not a good indication of maturity. Look for proper color. Tomatoes can be picked at any degree of ripeness, but they taste best if ripened on the vine.

-Cucumbers. Pick before they turn yellow. Large ones are good eaten fresh.

-Broccoli. Stalks ready for picking should be firm but tender. Buds at the top of the stalk should be compact and not showing the color that would indicate the plant is flowering. Cut the large central head just before it separates into several heads. After that, cut the side shoots that develop into small heads.

-Eggplants. Those that are shiny are ready.

-Peppers. They usually mature late. The green varieties should have a shiny color and be firm. Red varieties should have a uniform red color before harvesting.

## Engagements



### Graham - Ekstrom

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Graham, Heppner, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage, of their daughter, Helen Fay, to John Arthur Ekstrom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ekstrom, Jr., Ione.

All friends and relatives are invited to the couple's 11 a.m. August 9 wedding at Hope Lutheran Church in Heppner. A reception will follow the wedding at the Heppner Elks Club.

The bride elect is a graduate of Wheeler High School and is employed at Pioneer Memorial Hospital nursing home.

The bridegroom elect is a graduate of Ione High School and is the manager of John's Mobil service station in Ione.

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