

# Slalom First Event on Slate Of Regional Water Ski Meet This Friday at Gardener Lake

Slalom competition on Friday, Aug. 8, will lead off the events in the Western Regional championships of the American Water Ski association.

The tourney, which will draw the outstanding aqua slatters of 11 western states, will continue three days through Sunday, Aug. 10, at Gardener lake, a small private reservoir on Yankee creek northeast of Medford.

Events each day will begin at 9 a.m. with the final rivalry set for 3:30 or 4 p.m. on the 55-acre expanse of water. Skiers' meetings are planned for 8:30 a.m. each day.

The slalom will be contested in all classes except the men's on Friday, leading off with pee wees. Pee wee and junior girls tricks are set for the opening afternoon. Trick riding contention will be completed on Saturday with junior boys and girls and pee wee jumps to conclude the day. Women's, veterans and men's jumps, the men's slalom and the mixed doubles are on the Sunday program.

**Racing Session Thursday**

First five placers in each of the events, except in pee wee, will qualify for the national meet Aug. 22 to 24 at Chipley, Ga.

In addition to the regular meet schedule there will be skiing throughout the day at Gardener on Thursday. Entry requirements are rigid and a number of skiers yet are unqualified. They can ski for rating as well as for practice on Thursday. Lon Skinner, Medford, who is heading up tourney preparations, is qualified to rate aspirants.

On the regular tournament days there will be exhibition skiing between events if time permits. A meeting of the Pacific Coast council of the ASWA is set for Friday evening at the Medford hotel and a dinner dance is planned for Saturday evening at Rogue Valley Country club.

Considerable skill is required for each of the three types of events which will be contested in the meet.

**Slalom Described**

In the slalom a skier enters starting gate, rounds six buoys, as the boat goes down the center of the course, and leaves through an end gate. A return trip makes a total of 16 points possible for a perfect run. The gates and buoys are at 45 yard intervals along the course and the buoys, in parallel rows of three, are each 12 1/2 yards from the centerline. A center gate is installed to guide the boat only.

Use of one or two skis is optional. Men will make their first runs at 26 miles per hour and the return trip at 28, boosting 2 mph for each

additional run through the course. When a maximum of 34 has been reached and there are still competitors in the event, the 75-yard tow rope is shortened by 12 feet for the next trip. If eliminations still are not completed by this, the rope is made another six feet shorter.

All classes except men start at 22-24 mph for the first time and back over the course.

Each starting gate made over buoy rounded counts one point. It is a miss to ride over or straddle a buoy but just touching a buoy with body or ski is not penalized. A fall on the course ends the run, but a contestant gets credit for buoys rounded before a fall. A buoy is not scored until the skier returns to the boat wake. A fall outside the course while the "tow boat is turning for a return trip concludes the run.

**24 by 12 Board**

Jumps are made over a board 24 feet long and 12 feet wide with about 20 feet of the board protruding above the water. High end of the board is six feet above the water surface for men and five feet for other classes.

A skier may have the tow boat pass the ramp at any desired distance but boat path must be parallel to the side of the jump. The entrant, however, may swing or angle into the board with a whipping maneuver, which with leg action aids in achieving greater distances.

Men have an optional top speed of 35 miles per hour and other classes 28. Going straight at the top permitted speed, and not using leg or whip action a jumper can leap only around 35 feet. But with the whip and leg sprint it is estimated that a speed of 55 mph is attained with less than 2 of a second on the ramp. World record jump is 126 feet.

Judges score on form, allowing one point for approach and time on ramp, up to four points for time in air and up to five for landing. A skier is given three successive jumps. For a leap to count the entrant must regain balance and ski to a buoy 150 yards past the end of the ramp.

**Can't Touch Line**

A jumper is forbidden to touch any part of the tow line other than the handle while in the air. It is possible to pass up a jump, for specified reasons, without penalty. Other rules govern injury and equipment repair delays.

A contestant gets two 20-second passes through the course in trick riding. During this time he performs as many tricks as possible. Each trick is given points according to

the difficulty to perform it and each performed in the course in good form is scored at full point value. Judges may deduct 10 or 20 per cent for poor form. To receive credit a skier must return to backward or forward position in good balance.

The official program will list a variety of tricks and indicate their value.

In mixed doubles five minutes is allowed and everything in that time is judged. Falls do not disqualify but take up valuable time.

Chuck Stearns, Bellflower, Calif., and Vicki Van Hook, Los Angeles, national overall champs last year in men's and junior girls competition, are among entrants in the regional. Entries already in totaled around 30 this week end and are expected to reach 100 by opening day of the tournament.



**SEEKS REGIONAL SKI LAURELS**—Vicki Van Hook, Los Angeles, national junior girls overall water ski champion last year, will aim for a fourth straight regional diadem next week end in the Western Regional championships at Gardener lake. Vicki claimed junior girls overall regional honors in 1955, 1956 and 1957. She was national junior trick riding champ in 1955 and holds the world junior girl jump record of 77 feet. The meet will be Aug. 8, 9 and 10 at the lake northeast of Medford under auspices of Crater Lions club and Gardener Lake Water Ski club. Entries must be members of the American Water Ski association.

## SPORTS

### Patterson Ready for Anything

This is the second of two dispatches in which world's heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson gives his own assessment of his coming title defense against Roy Harris in Los Angeles Aug. 18.

**BY FLOYD PATTERSON**  
**Heavyweight Champion**  
Los Angeles —(UPI)—Everybody asks me my plan of action for my fight with Roy Harris.

I have to say honestly that I haven't any—except, I guess, to follow the rule my manager, Cus D'Amato, learned in his Army days. That's always be ready for anything that might happen. I'm training to go 15 rounds, although I naturally hope I can end it earlier.

Harris is an unknown quantity to us, although his undefeated record and everything we've heard about him makes me expect the toughest fight I've had.

Craterian theatre here will have a television showing of the Floyd Patterson-Roy Harris heavyweight title boxing bout on Monday, Aug. 18. Tickets are on sale at the theatre. There will be no home television of the fight.

I've met Roy just once—in street clothes—but he impressed me as a strong, calm and intelligent fellow. We know he is a wonderfully conditioned athlete, but this time he'll be meeting someone who also believes in keeping in perfect shape.

Cus saw Harris fight an exhibition and says Roy knows his way around in the ring. But naturally he wasn't going all out with my manager watching him.

Conflicting Advice

Otherwise, we've had nothing but conflicting advice. Some say he keeps his hands high, others that he keeps them low. Some say he can hit, others that he can't. You hear he likes to jab, and then again that he doesn't.

All in all, the only thing to do is just to ignore all those confusing reports. That's all right with me. I never have liked to know too much about an opponent's style. Then he might do something you don't expect and really surprise you.

A fight rarely follows a set plan anyway. You just have to make up your pattern as you go along. If a fighter is any good, and worthy of being called a champion he should be able to cope with any situation that may arise.

One thing we do expect is that Harris can take a punch. The only man to have him on the canvas was Bob Baker, and when a 218-pounder like Bob Baker happens to get a punch in, he can knock any fighter down. The important thing is that Harris got up and won the bout.

Well, all I can say is that the meaner and the more rugged Roy is, the better I'll like it. I hope to be champion for a long time, but I also want to be remembered as a great champion.

I believe Harris is capable of giving me the fight of my life, but I confidently expect that when it's over Floyd Patterson will still be champion.

### Three Run Homer Gives Padres Win

San Diego, Calif. —(UPI)—A three-run homer by Dick Smith with two out in the ninth inning gave the San Diego Padres a 7-4 victory Saturday over the Sacramento Solons.

The Padre victory before 2,357 fans squared the Pacific Coast league series between

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### Patterson, Harris Please Managers During Workouts

Oceanside, Calif. —(UPI)—Floyd Patterson turned in what Manager Cus D'Amato called "his best workout to date" in a three-round drill with middleweight Jose Torres Saturday that had spectators buzzing.

Patterson let go with several all-out flurries, but Torres, a former Army champion and Olympic games competitor, matched the heavyweight champion punch for punch.

Patterson, who defends his title Aug. 18 against Roy Harris of Cut and Shoot, Tex., also boxed one round with Obie (Dusty) Rhodes, working primarily with his left jab.

D'Amato said Patterson would drill again today and then take Monday off.

### Arrowhead Springs, Calif.

—(UPI)—Roy Harris, the Texan who fights Floyd Patterson for the World's Heavyweight championship Aug. 18, had his "morale boosted" Saturday when he received a Texas state flag from a member of the Los Angeles Rams football team.

The sender was tackle Glen Holtzman, who played at North Texas State college. The Rams are training at Redlands college, about 25 miles from Harris' Arrowhead Springs hotel training camp.

Harris boxed two rounds Saturday with California light heavyweight champ Cal Brad, who was knocked out by Patterson three years ago in Los Angeles, and two with Howie Turner of New York.

Harris rocked Turner several times during the workout, and both he and Manager Lou Vicusci said they were "happy" with his showing.

The challenger plans to box again today.

### RVL Batting Lead Kept By Eggink

John Eggink's batting average dropped in the Rogue Valley Baseball league last week end but the Cave Junction player managed to keep the swatting leadership with two safeties in six trips to the plate.

He has nine hits in 16 ups for a .562 count. His mark up until last week end was .700.

Batting lead is determined on a minimum of 12 official turns at bat. Eggink's teammate, M a y b u r n Campbell, manager of the Outlaws, ranks next with .533. Camp White's Bob Smith has a .545 mark but his 11 turns at bat are one short of the minimum.

In RVL games this afternoon Camp White is host to Prospect and Butte Falls entertains Cave Junction.

### BASEBALL

**FRIDAY'S RESULTS**

Pacific Coast League  
Sacramento 9, San Diego 7  
Vancouver 6, Seattle 3  
Spokane 12, Salt Lake 2  
Phoenix 5, Portland 1

National League  
Philadelphia 3, Chicago 1 (night)  
Pittsburgh 2, St. Louis 0 (night)  
Los Angeles 6, Cincinnati 2 (night)  
Cleveland 7, Boston 1 (1st)  
Milwaukee 4, San Fran. 2 (night)

American League  
New York 7, Chicago 0 (night)  
Washington 10, Kansas City 4 (night)  
Detroit 3, Baltimore 1 (night)  
Cleveland 7, Boston 1 (1st)  
Cleveland 3, Boston 1 (2nd, night)

Northwest League  
Tacoma 5, Eugene 0  
Wenatchee 7, Salem 1  
Yakima 6, Lewiston 4

International  
Toronto 12, Columbus 2  
Montreal 12-4, Richmond 10-8  
Buffalo 11, Havana 2  
Miami 11, Rochester 6

### ROGUE VALLEY LEAGUE

Player	W	L	Pct.
Riddle	5	1	.833
Cave Junction	2	3	.400
Butte Falls	2	3	.400
Camp White	2	4	.333
Prospect	1	5	.167

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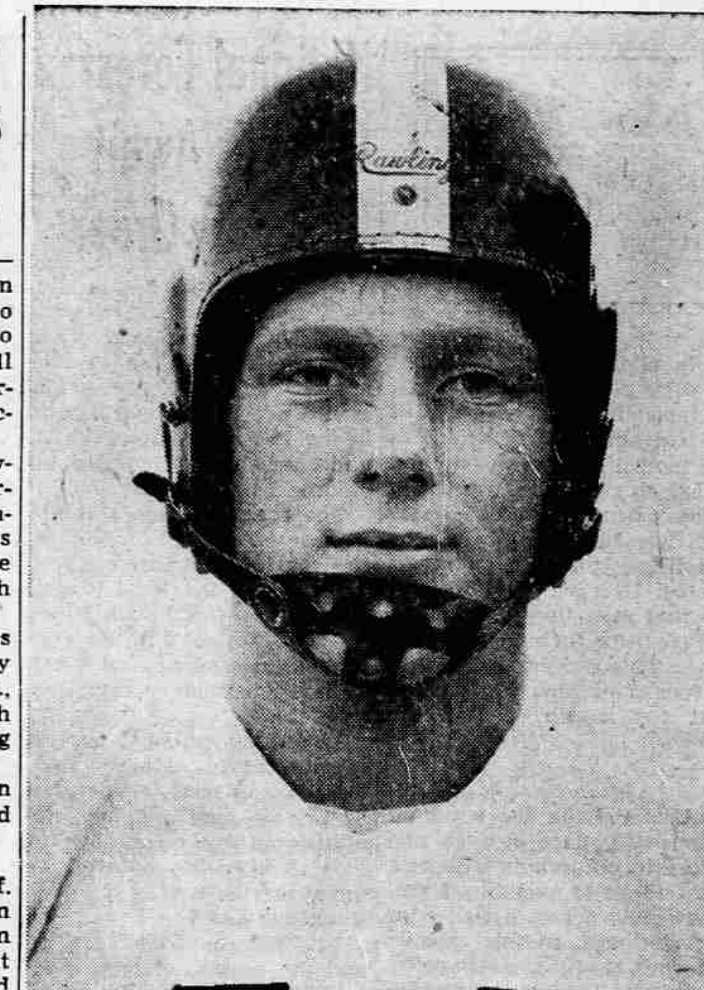
Player	AB	R	H	BI	Pct.
B. Cavanaugh	3	3	1	0	.600
J. Eggink	16	8	9	2	.562
R. Smith	11	3	6	3	.545
M. Campbell	15	5	8	3	.533
Rae	2	0	0	0	.000
D. J. Hart	28	9	12	6	.429
Malone	5	0	2	0	.400
Linderman	20	5	11	4	.381
H. Taylor	20	4	8	4	.400
B. George	21	4	8	7	.381
W. Saffler	11	4	4	2	.364
R. Munyon	25	4	9	5	.360
R. Perry	20	7	4	3	.350
B. Rodgers	23	5	8	2	.348
L. Abbott	15	6	5	2	.333
P. Hale	24	7	8	3	.333
J. Curry	12	6	4	2	.333
L. Saffler	15	5	6	3	.333
Johnson	3	0	1	0	.333
La. Maurer	25	4	8	5	.320

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**LEAVES FOR SHRINE GRID FRAY** — Jim Funston, above, star center and linebacker, will be the Medford representative in the Oregon Shrine high school all-star football game on Aug. 16 at Multnomah stadium in Portland. He left Saturday for Portland to join the State squad which will begin its preparations on Monday to meet the Metropolitan club. Funston was named All-Southern Oregon conference and placed on two all-state teams after finishing his Medford high grid career last fall. He is to enroll at Oregon State college this fall after working at a mill during the summer. Shrine men from this area have placed reserved seat tickets for the grid classic on sale at Barker's Men's store and at Crater Inn motel. They said that the tickets are for some of the best-located seats in the stadium.

### Medford Cubs Will Seek To Wrap Up Loop Crown

Southern Oregon Junior Baseball Pee Wee League

Team	W	L	Pct.
Medford Tigers	10	2	.833
Ashland Cubs	9	3	.750
Medford Wildcats	9	3	.750
Central Point	7	4	.636
Ashland Bears	4	7	.364
Eagle Point	4	8	.333
Talent	4	8	.333
Lone Pine	0	12	.000

Cub League

Team	W	L	Pct.
Medford	5	0	1.000
Grants Pass Cubs	4	1	.800
Ashland	4	1	.800
Grants Pass Bears	0	5	.000

members billed for two games each.

**Tigers Play Ashlanders**

Medford Tigers are guests of the Ashland Cubs Tuesday afternoon in a particularly important game. The Tigers are on top of the circuit and the Cubs are a game behind knotted for second with the Medford Wildcats who will be hosts to the Ashland Bears.

Also on the docket for Tuesday Central Point at Talent and Eagle Point at Lone Pine. Central Point will receive a forfeit win from Talent which has dropped from the loop and Lone Pine, which defaulted games last week is expected to forfeit to Eagle Point.

The Medfordites meet the Grants Pass Cubs at Grants Pass while the Grants Pass Bears go to Ashland. With only one loss on their record the GP Cubs have the chance to tie Medford.

The Pee Wee Southern division schedule of the Southern Oregon Junior baseball league also concludes this week with

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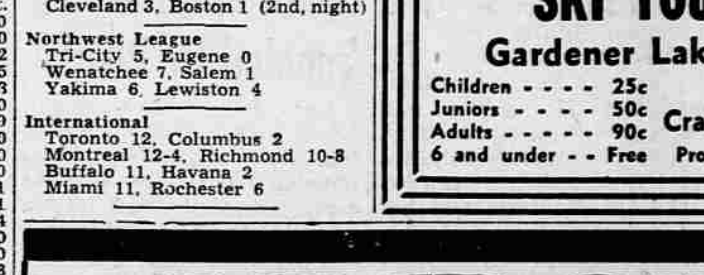
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