

Tennis Schedule Very Heavy Team Overly "Aggressive"

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Behrend's season record slipped to 2-5 last weekend as the tennis squad lost two and won one, playing three matches in three days.

Thursday, the Cubs paddled Alliance 9-0 in their second shut-out of the season. Friday, the Cubs hosted a superior Edinboro team and were shutout 0-9. Saturday saw the Cubs losing in Ohio to Malone 1-8.

So far this year, the Cubs have either won big or lost big. The reason for this, according to Coach Lauffer, is simply that there is a large difference in ability between the various teams in the district. However, Lauffer thinks this situation will change. "I would be surprised if more than one of those remaining matches is 9-0."

A good indication concerning the rest of the season occurred last Saturday at Malone.

Although the team lost 1-8, there were four matches that went to three sets. Behrend was close but not close enough.

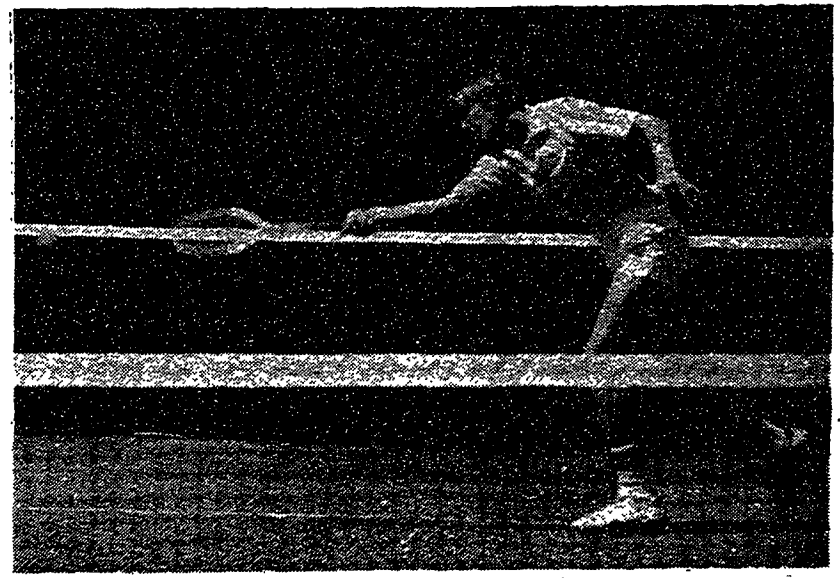
Playing three matches in three days may seem to be a formidable task but Lauffer didn't feel any real disadvantage from it. "It's a matter that you have to get used to it." Lauffer also pointed out that Thursday and Friday's matches were both shutouts and therefore short in duration.

"The thing that has hurt us so far is that we're trying to play aggressive tennis. We have to be more selective." By selective Lauffer means better "percentage tennis" which in turn means playing for the best shot. At times it is better to play the base line instead of rushing the net and hitting a poor volley.

Half the problem has been solved, due to the prevailing attitude of the team. "Their attitude has been great" Lauffer

said, "they're willing to make changes."

Next Thursday the team travels to Gannon. Lauffer predicts a close match with the Cubs' cross town rivals. Gannon has only three courts instead of the usual six, so the four, five and six men are going to know exactly where the team stands, and exactly what they have to do. Obviously this puts more pressure on the players. In order to relieve some of the pressure, it would help to have a large Behrend turnout at the courts which are located on 5th street behind the girls dorm. (That should be incentive enough).



On the courts the Behrend tennis team record has slipped to two wins against five losses. Pictured above is a member of the team desperately trying to catch up with the ball in time.

When it Rains it Pours

When it rains it pours. An old cliché, but it seems to sum up the trouble Behrend is having in baseball this year.

In the first game of the season, the Cubs began by making errors, a problem which plagued them in their first six games. In the hitting department, they weren't doing so hot either.

Then, sometime in the first game of a double header with Mercyhurst, at Mercyhurst, their bats came alive. Everyone began to stroke the ball better, but the Cubs still made too many errors that cost them the games.

Well, they took their hitting into the Grove City game last Saturday, and didn't commit a whole lot of errors, and their pitching promptly took a turn for the worse.

In the first game, Ray Fritts had some trouble with control as he walked four batters. Bill Sanders came on in relief and had his share of troubles as he walked three and gave up five earned runs.

Jeff Cadden proved his throwing arm once again as he threw out a Grove City runner in their only attempted steal of the day.

Offensively Behrend did a good job as they collected a total of eighteen hits in two games. Lee Niezewecki started things when he hit a home run at his first at bat.

Leon Daniels and Wes Bieghenti had a field day running the bases as they stole one and two bases respectively in three

attempts. In Sunday's game against Slippery Rock, Brad Bova showed some very fine pitching as in six and two-thirds innings he gave up only four earned runs, struck out four batters, walked only two men and gave up only six hits.

Behrend as a whole looked their best in the first game of a doubleheader, committing only one error. The final score was 4-0 which could be called respectable considering the program Slippery Rock has.

In the second game, Jim Swalley ripped a triple to drive in two runs in another losing cause, with the final score being 7-2.

The scores for this week's games were as follows:
Grove City 10 Behrend 6
Grove City 5 Behrend 4
Slipper Rock 4 Behrend 0
Slippery Rock 7 Behrend 2

Behrend - 9	Alliance - 0	6-2	6-2
Ott	Davidson	6-3	6-1
Leonard	Josefowski	6-0	6-0
Buchanan	Rosen	7-5	6-1
Healy	Roth	6-4	6-2
Fuller	Ide	6-1	6-2
Fairchild	Cheddar		
Ott-Leonard	Davidson-Josef.	6-2	6-0
Jackson-Buchanan	Rosen-Roth	6-2	6-1
Weidner-Healy	Ide-Petela	6-4	6-2
Behrend - 0	Edinboro - 9	3-6	3-6
Ott	Sturgess	0-6	1-6
Leonard	Simon	2-6	4-6
Buchanan	Barker	0-6	1-6
Healy	Hakala	0-6	3-6
Fuller	Beerman	0-6	0-6
Fairchild	Pedano		
Ott-Leonard	Sturgess-Hakala	2-6	0-6
Jackson-Buchanan	Simon-Barker	1-6	2-6
Weidner-Healy	Berrman-Pedano	0-6	1-6
Behrend - 1	Malone - 8	4-6	3-6
Ott	Caluin	6-4	2-6
Leonard	Phelps	1-6	3-6
Buchanan	Ramsburg	1-6	2-6
Healy	Hochstetler	4-6	6-3
Fuller	Fry	2-6	0-6
Fairchild	Glaus		
Ott-Leonard	Caluin-Ramsburg	6-2	2-6
Jackson-Buchanan	Phelps-Glaus	6-4	6-1
Weidner-Healy	Hochstetler-Fry	2-6	6-3

Short Sports

Mixed Doubles applications may be picked up at the RUB desk as of May 1. The mixed doubles tournament will be held May 18 and 19. Entry fee will be \$1.00. Anyone with questions is to see Ms. Wilson in Erie Hall.

Finals for girls soccer intramurals will be held tonight at 6:30. Those teams participating and their standings are as follows: Soc Jocks 1-1-0, manager Kathy Kelly; April Fools 0-1-1, manager Lu Ann Johnson; Kennedy's Kickers 0-1-1, manager Joey Kennedy; Rock 'em Sock 'ems 2-0-0, manager Rene Hasney.

Girls intramural softball will begin next Tuesday, May 7, and will continue for the succeeding Tuesdays and Thursdays until the end of the term. Six teams will be participating with Karen Smogoryewski organizing the softball schedule and play.

Behrend's pool will not be open May 5 as previously announced, due to a malfunctioning of the filtering system. Without the operation of filtering

mechanisms the pool cannot open and retain the necessary health standards. Because of this no lifeguards will be needed this term.

Behrend's Tennis club is now in progress under the direction of several Physical Education majors. They are Jan Paprochi, Janice Lysowski, Lee Weinberg, Barb Winger, Pat Gourley and Shari Bronsky. Approximately 30 other girls are involved in the club which meets Wednesday sixth period. The club will have scrimmages with other college tennis clubs in the area.

Softball season is here and the girls extramural team is being organized. Positions have not been assigned to all players but a few have been tentatively arranged. Those are: Pam Grimm, catcher; Donna Dunbar, outfielder; Jane Truskey, first base. The team will play two games with Edinboro and two games with Mercyhurst with a home and away confrontation scheduled for each opponent. The games are scheduled for late Tuesday afternoon.

Girls Tennis Invitational

Behrend's Girls Tennis Team was recently asked to participate in the Mercyhurst Women's Invitational Tennis Tournament for 1973-74 which will be held at Mercyhurst this Saturday, May 4. Behrend, Edinboro and, of course, Mercyhurst girls teams will be involved.

Play will begin at 9 a.m. with the Behrend team taking on Mercyhurst on the courts; at 12:30 Edinboro versus Mercyhurst match will be held, and finally the competition will end with the match between Edinboro and Behrend.

Rules for the tournament state that each person will play the other team's similarly positioned player with one point awarded to the winners of each match. The team with the highest total points is the winner of the tournament. There will be six singles and three doubles matches with the singles playing in the doubles if necessary.

Swimmers Take First

The Commonwealth Campus Swimming Championships proved very successful to Behrend College last Saturday with record-breaking times in both the men's and women's competition.

Behrend men racked up a total of 75 points for first place with Ogontz at 56 points taking a second place and McKeesport with 52 points at third. Hazelton's 28 points put them fourth in a six-team field.

In distaff swimming Behrend took Hazelton 58-55 in an eight-team field with Ogontz at 51 and McKeesport at 30 points and fourth place.

Behrend's men's 200 freestyle relay team blazed to a record of 1:37.72. Those who participated were Gary Moras, Danny O'Leary, Larry Matz and Chris Messenkoff. Matz won the 100-yard freestyle in 55.58 and came

in second in the 50-yard backstroke with 29.22. Messenkoff took the 50-yard freestyle in 23.8 along with Moras in the 50-yard backstroke at 28.24.

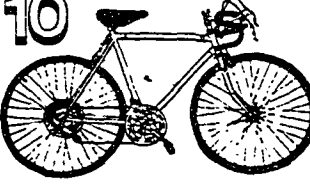
Kent Taylor, Chick Throop, along with teammates Moras and Messenkoff won the 200 medley relay in 1:50.91. Throop and Taylor also took second in the 50-yard butterfly.

Laura Mitz set a record of 36.01 in the 50-yard breast stroke, also winning the 100-yard individual medley in 1:12.41. Her teammate Audrey Wilson took the first place in the 50-yard backstroke in 33.20 and second in the individual medley in +1:17.11

Other Behrend women teammates placing were Barb Bach, Pat Jupena, Mitz and Beth Moore swam second in the 200 medley relay with a 21.23 time. Barb Jones, Moore, Kathy Kelly and Jupena placed second in the 200-yard freestyle relay with a clocking of 2:21.11.

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