

Davis Breaks Record

# Behrend Smashes Gannon!

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Hey! What's happening with this year's baseball team? They've finally put it all together as they have thoroughly demolished their last three opponents. And they did it in fine style, to boot.

In winning five of their last six games, the Cubs have also managed to break one record on the diamond and have closed in on a couple others.

Last Thursday at Westminster Jim Davis was hurt with a shoulder injury putting him on the bench for the rest of the season, but not before he set a new season batting average record. He shattered Roger Nolan's old record of .424 with a new record of .447. Jim also had a slugging average of .907 with two home-runs, two triples and five doubles. Those five doubles bring him within three of the career total presently held by Gary Orhn who has eight. Another record within his reach is the career hits held by Roger Nolan who had 49. Davis had 17 hits this season and only went hitless one game.

The scores of last Thursday's game with Westminster were: Westminster 6, Behrend 5 and the second game was Behrend 7 and Westminster 2. The last game started the Cubs' winning streak.

Saturday at Houghton, everything seemed to go wrong. Off the playing field that is. First the team got one of the worst buses that Bluebird can offer. Then the driver got lost on his way to Houghton, so the team arrived late. Then came games. Behrend seemingly took all their troubles out on an hapless Houghton College. Especially Jim Swalley.

At his first time at bat, Swalley hit a homerun over the left field fence. He did the same thing the second time at the plate, a belt which went to the same place. These two rips put Swalley within one of tying the season record of homeruns held by Roger Nolan with four. Jim also has a slugging average of .627 and a season batting average presently at .202.

But not everything was done offensively for the Cub nine. In the first game, Ray Fritts did the job as he went the distance. He struck out seven, walked two and only gave up three hits. The final score of the game was Behrend 6 and Houghton 2.

In the second game of the afternoon Terry Solvedt came off the bench to relieve starter Brad Bova and in doing so picked up his first win of the season. Terry did some fine pitching for two and two thirds innings as Behrend went on to win 11-6.

In that second game, John Marucci put the Cubs in front in the top of the sixth as he ripped a double scoring two runs. In the seventh Marucci got his second double of the day to drive in another run to insure Behrend of its win.

And now comes the sweet part. It's always nice to win but it's especially nice if that win comes over our cross town rivals Gannon College. And make that two wins as Behrend proceeded to take both ends of a double header at Glenwood Field on Tuesday.

In the first game, the Cubs shut out the Knights 8-0, behind the pitching of Tim Slaven, who went the distance. Tim has been having an excellent season this year as he ran his record to three and one. His other wins came against Duquesne and Westminster. His only loss was to Mercyhurst when Behrend played there. He also has been doing a good job at the plate as he has been used as a designated hitter when he isn't pitching.

In Tuesday's game with the Knights, everything seemed to go right for Behrend. Leon Daniels did an excellent job at third as he got credit for two assists and also knocked in a run in the top of the fifth. Rick Kestle set up a rally as he beat a throw to first by the catcher who dropped the ball on the third strike.

Myles Johns moved into the pitching circuit as he made his first appearance since last season and made his debut in fine style. He picked up his first win by

striking out seven with a variety of pitches including a knuckleball. He only gave up a few hits with one of them a home run.

He commented on this by saying, "I told myself—I've got to blow it by them. Well, I tried with him."

Offensively, the Cubs carried

their hitting right along with them. Tim Slaven entered the picture once again as he belted a homerun to left center field in the top of the fourth.

The final score was 8-2. A total humiliation of the Gannon nine to say the least.

Well, Behrend has its next

game with Point Park at Point Park on Friday afternoon. It promises to be a tough game as Point Park is one of the top teams in the NAIA. But if the Cubs carry their hitting and their pitching into Pittsburgh the way they have done in the last three games they should win both games. Good luck!

## Cub Win "Close" Record Now 3-5

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The Behrend College Tennis Team recorded a close victory against Geneva College at Beaver Falls on May 4th. This win made Behrend 3 and 5 and dropped Geneva to a 3 and 7 record.

Although the final score was 8 to 1, it was a close match. Four of the nine matches could have gone either way.

Dave Ott, Behrend's number one man, took on Geneva's number one man in Jim Ceperley. The first set went to Ceperley by the score of 6-1, but Ott then made a strong comeback to win the last two sets and the match, 6-4, 6-3. The win made Ott's personal record 3 wins, 5 losses.

Mark Leonard, Behrend's number two man, took Jeff Ceperley in a clean sweep 6-0, 6-1. Leonard is 3-5 on the year.

Then came the only loss of the day for Behrend. Barry Healy, number three man, lost to Tim Futato in a sweep. Futato took the first set 6-3 and then the second set 6-1. This made the score 2-1 Behrend. Healy is now 2-6 this season.

Ken Buchanan beat John Brent in consecutive sets of 6-1 and 6-4. This makes Buchanan 3-5 so far.

Coach Lauffer said this next match was very important for Behrend. The score was 3-1 and Geneva was very much in this match.

Don Fuller, the number five man, then rose to the occasion by beating Jack Riley 7-6, 7-6. The thing that was so important was

that Fuller's match went to two tiebreakers. If Fuller hadn't won the score would have been 3-2 instead of 4-1 Behrend. Fuller is now 3 and 5 for the year.

Mark Fairchild, the number six man, made a great comeback against Bruce Walker. Walker jumped out quickly against Fairchild and won the first set 6-4 but Mark just wouldn't quit. He came back to sweep the second and third sets 6-0 and 6-2. The come-from-behind win made Fairchild's personal record 3-5. Now the score was 5-1. That put the match out of reach for Geneva with 3 double matches to go.

Dave Ott and Norm Jackson made their record 1-1 since they have been playing together. They bested Jeff and Jim Ceperley in consecutive sets 6-1 and 7-6 in a tiebreaker.

Mark Leonard and Ken Buchanan then beat John Brent and Bruce Walker. The pair swept the match by set scores of 6-3 and 6-2. This made the score 7-1 Behrend and raised Leonard and Buchanan's record to 2-1.

Barry Healy and Don Fuller made their record 1-1 when they beat Jack Riley and Tim Gardner in sets of 7-6 and 6-1. That made the final score 8-1 in Behrend's favor.

Coach Lauffer said he was happy with the victory. He stated that the team had lost a similar Malone team and had come

back to beat Geneva.

Wednesday, the 8th of May, the tennis team traveled to Westminster for the District 18 NAIA Tourney. They left at 5 p.m. Wednesday afternoon, with competition scheduled to begin today, May 9th.

The tourney will be played in 6 flights for singles and 3 flights for doubles.

In the flights, the number one man on each team will play only number ones and twos play only twos and so forth. The flights are the same for doubles.

The winners in each flight and the team champion will be eligible to go to Kansas City for the NAIA National Championships. Edinboro is the defending champion and along with Mercyhurst are considered the favorites for District 18.

Coach Lauffer also announced that last Monday's match with Westminster was cancelled due to bad weather and probably won't be made up. Also, two other matches have been rescheduled. The match with Gannon originally scheduled for May 3rd is going to be played Thursday, May 16th at Gannon.

## Women Place Second in Tourney

The Girls Tennis Team recently participated in the Mercyhurst Women's Invitational Tennis Tournament and played well enough overall to place second out of three teams.

Representing Behrend were in order of their standings, Rhonda Carlson, Doris Glaz, Debbie Hadlock, Karen Smozoryewski, Donna Gugie and Peggy Brigham.

Hadlock and Carlson both won all of their matches while Glaz won her match against Mercyhurst but lost her second match to Edinboro, the third team in the invitational.

In Doubles action, it was

Carlson and Hadlock winning both of their matches along with Glaz and Smozoryewski.

In overall tournament action Mercyhurst placed first, Behrend second and Edinboro third.

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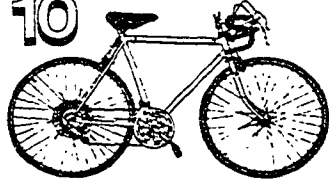
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