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“SPECIAL ALL-CITY PREVIEW”

- FROM THE PRESIDENT -

As the Men's All-City Stroke Play Championship for 1985 nears, I would like to take a few minutes to share some of the many things we have found out about the "All-City". It is my hope, that after you read this information, that you will have a better understanding of the "whys" and "whatfor's" that have made this tournament the most prestigious in the Central Michigan area.

"THE HISTORY"

The All-City Championship was started in the 1940's by the Lansing State Journal to provide the City of Lansing and the near by area with a "Champion" in golf. In it's early years, the tournament rotated among the C.C. of Lansing, Walnut Hills C.C. and Groesbeck G.Courses. In the early 1960's, the two private courses (the C.C. of Lansing and Walnut Hills C.C.) dropped out of the rotation in order to install their Invitationals. In 1966, Green Meadows (now Royal Scot G.C.), hosted the All-City and did so everyother year alternating with Groesbeck G.C. until the early 1970's when a change of ownership ended this practice. In 1982, Highland Hills requested and re-

ceived permission to host the All-City Championship. It was during this tournament that a survey was taken and those of you who played and choose to fill it out, gave the City of Lansing, Highland Hills, Royal Scot and those of us who were interested, something to go on as far as your wishes for what you liked or disliked concerning golf in general and the All-City imparticular.

This information was used to have the All-City moved from course to course in the order that you chose. In 1983, the tournament returned to Groesbeck, followed by Royal Scot last year and of course M.S.U.'s Forest Akers this year. A regular rotation has been established and depending upon the success or lack of success of the 2-course concept this year, it will hopefully remain for quite a few years.

"THE FORMAT"

In it's original format, the various area courses held qualifying rounds at their courses with a specified number of players advancing to the tournament proper. In the years up to the late 1950's, 36 holes were played on Saturday. A "cut" was made that night and the remaining low 36 players and

ties played 18 holes on Sunday.

A slight change was made in 1960. This was the first of many changes that were to occur in the next 20 years. The first change was the use of 3 days to play the 54 holes. Friday was added to Saturday and Sunday.

The next "major" change occurred in 1968. At this time the 36 hole cut was eliminated. It was felt at that time that the 15 to 20 players who were being "cut" was more harmful to the tournament than the good it was doing in playing time.

The biggest change however, occurred in 1973 when the "Flights" were added to boost participation. This has proved to be a major contributor to the necessity of using 2 golf courses because the number of players entered has increased every year and now to the point that one golf course may not be able to handle all those who desire to play.

"THE FUTURE"

The 2-course concept appears to be a good change as it should speed up play and at the same time provide the players with a "challenge" to their skills. Of course, everything isn't perfect and some details concerning prize structure, etc., will need to be worked out among the participating courses, but that shouldn't prove to be an insurmountable problem.

Other changes that have been suggested are: (1) a 3-course concept; (2) 72 holes for the Championship flight with 36 holes being played on the last day with a cut to the low 36 and ties for the last 18 holes; (3) smaller sized flights. All of these suggestions will be studied by all the parties involved and implemented if they are deemed to be workable and in the best interest of the tournament.

"THE RESULTS"

This year's tournament should provide the Lansing area players with more than just a Champion for 1985. It was the catalyst that spawned our association. It has fostered almost total cooperation between not only the courses, but also between the "Amateurs" and "Professionals", club and public

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players and almost all the golfing groups in the Lansing area.

My sincere wishes for a good and enjoyable tournament in 1985!

Jim Donahue
President

SANDY BUNKER'S PICKS

In an effort to predict the final results of the 1985 All-City "Stroke Play" Championship, we have secured (at great expense), the services of "Sandy" Bunker, the noted and self proclaimed expert on handicapping amateur golf tournaments. Mr. Bunker will write this column for each of the area's major golf tournaments and it will appear exclusively in our "Golf News".

Mr. Bunker -

Well, first of all, let me thank this newly formed and I might add long over due Golf Association for giving me a platform for my uncannily accurate forecasts on golf tournaments. After all, you see, it was

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me and me alone, who predicted that Mike Stelter would win the 1982 All-City. I even took it upon myself to make sure that Mike was given a good pairing so that he could showcase his game for all you non-believers. You see, I did my homework. If more time were allowed, I could probably predict each position in each flight, but because of limited space and the fact that you people need the suspense, I'll limit my predictions to the first 10 in the Championship Flight. As I mean no malice, but rather, constructive criticism, I hope that my remarks are accepted in the same nature that they are given.

So let's start -

The Winner: Jon Kosier, the only way this kid can't win - is not to enter. I mean, this kid has talent. Subtract the first place money, the rest of you are playing for second.

2nd Place: Fred Behymer Jr., this guy loves second place. Maybe he just tries harder. If Jon slips, Fred will still finish 2nd. Fred's finished 2nd so many times that I even picked him second before I picked the winner.

3rd Place: This is where it gets tough to make predictions, you see this is the "cross-roads" in a golf tournament. You've got the guys who have played well the first 2 rounds, but are now folding their tents up, and you've got the guys who have just figured out how to unpack theirs. My choice here is Steve Wakulsky. He's played well here in the past but other than that I don't know why I picked him for 3rd. Maybe its the number of letters in his name.

4th Place: This guy probably teethered on a tee maker at "Akers". I've heard that he used the sand trap on No. 9 as a sand box. If anybody knows this course, it has to be the coach's son, Bob Fossum.

5th Place: As I feel that the "Spartan" players have a distinct ad-

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vantage by having played this this course at its toughest, which it won't be for this test, my choice here is Dean Holland. This guy is smart enough to win (a scholastic All-America).

6th Place:

Here comes Lansing's answer to "Terrible" Tommy Bolt. The "Jeckle and Hyde" kid himself... Tim Russell. Bolt is minor league when you stop to compare his "club-throwing" with Tim's bench throwing. Tim threw a bench 22 feet 4½ inches which was a new record because his future wife, Julie was still sitting on it. A few of Tim's clubs have more flight time than the whole 7th Tactical Fighter Wing of the U.S. Air Force. If he can keep his clubs in his hands and in his bag and keep his blood pressure below 240, he just might challenge, but then that may be asking too much.

7th Place:

I'd like to hedge here, but one player always seems to surprise everyone. I pick Willie Wilson to finish here but this is my surprise pick to win if Jon Kosier fails.

8th Place:

Another ex-Spartan fits well here. Jeff Belen is my pick

9th Place:

for 8th place. This guy is due and if the putts fall...

Course management and good putting are keys to winning any golf tournament. This guy putts so well and has such a good touch, he should be a dentist. He's decided to give the field a break and putt with his left hand below his right. Sorry Dave, your dad edges you this time, Bill Brooks is 9th.

10th Place:

Not too long, but always in the fairway, this player's presence could be felt early in this tournament. A good spring at L.C.C. will reap it's harvest....Dave Greeley is 10th.

The "Dark Horse"...this is my selection of someone who could slip past everyone. I pick the worlds oldest community college golfer, Leon Williams.

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8:00 am.	10:00 am. - Larry Wier, Dean Holland, Jim Donahue
8:06 am.	9:54 am. - Don Mitchem*, Geoff Park*, Steve Scott
8:12 am.	9:48 am. - Dave Greeley II, Joe Allen, Jerry Gunthorpe
8:18 am.	9:42 am. - Jeff Belen, Bob Fossum, John Curry
8:24 am.	9:36 am. - Dan Olivett, Mike Boynton, Scott Malaney
8:30 am.	9:30 am. - Willie Wilson, Ned Bacon, John Weurding
8:36 am.	9:24 am. - Steve Kahler, Craig Bibelman, Mark Baran
8:42 am.	9:18 am. - Willkie Hopkins, Brian Lewis, Leon Williams
8:48 am.	9:12 am. - Bob Super, Doug Linklater, Steve Walcott

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9:12 am.	8:48 am. - Eric Curry, Frank Ireland, George Roblee
9:18 am.	8:42 am. - Bob Aumaugher, Homer Hawkins, John Nagel
9:24 am.	8:36 am. - Bryce Kinnison, Dave Dunneback, Doug Palm
9:30 am.	8:30 am. - Brian Syswerda, Jim Carroll, Duane Garver
9:36 am.	8:24 am. - Tom Stump, Charles Brown, Michael Bemiss
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9:48 am.	8:12 am. - Rick Whitters, Rod McLaughlin, Dave Koenigsknecht
9:54 am.	8:06 am. - Mike Park, Don Burns, Cary Campbell
10:00 am.	8:00 am. - Dan Olsen, Tim Russell, Chuck Pohl

FRIDAY	SATURDAY
EAST	WEST
COURSE	COURSE
<u>NO. 10:</u>	<u>NO. 1:</u>

8:00 am.	10:00 am. - Ron Jackson,* Ken Beasore,* Michael Mason
8:06 am.	9:54 am. - Jim Shattuck,* Dave Kares,* Robert McLeese
8:12 am.	9:48 am. - Bob Varner,* Ben Lewis,* Doug West



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8:42 am.	9:18 am. - Leon Hudson, Pete Cunningham, Marty Seling
8:48 am.	9:12 am. - Frank Webb, Blythe Green, Pete Surdenik
8:54 am.	9:06 am. - Jack Musser, Pat Kish, Ray Johnson
9:00 am.	9:00 am. - Gary Smith, Jim Goulding, Rick Ewing
9:06 am.	8:54 am. - Ronnie Clark, John Graham, Henry Spears
9:12 am.	8:48 am. - Rod Latimer, Lanny Brunette, Bob Graham
9:18 am.	8:42 am. - Paul Elieff, M.W. Klingbeil, Ed Mello
9:24 am.	8:36 am. - Merrill Sheldon, Jake Baumgartner, Keith Vogl
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12:00 pm.	10:00 am. - Merle Barstow*, Randy Miller*, Randy Fletcher
12:06 pm.	9:54 am. - Don Passage*, Gary Barrett*, Tom Ochsner
12:12 pm.	9:48 am. - Jim Dickey, Bob Franklin, Morrie Hoevel
12:18 pm.	9:42 am. - Steve Wakulsky, Fred Behymer Jr., John Kosier
12:24 pm.	9:36 am. - Earl Anderson, Jim Bissel, Paul Metzger
12:30 pm.	9:30 am. - Jerome Abood, John Wakulsky, Doug Gschwind
12:36 pm.	9:24 am. - Tom Belen, Jim Sander, Michael Tungate
12:42 pm.	9:18 am. - Todd Bidelman, Kris Nicholoff, Michael Totte
12:48 pm.	9:12 am. - Jim Bankman, Jim Armstrong, Fred Fansel
12:54 pm.	9:06 am. - Mike Murphy, Peter Quackenbush, Dave Borgeson
1:00 pm.	9:00 am. - Greg Parsons, Marty Musolf, Kevin Kines
1:06 pm.	8:54 am. - Andris Staltmanis, Robert Leece, John Bearman
1:12 pm.	8:48 am. - Rick Yager, Bill Fuller, Kip Klewicki
1:18 pm.	8:42 am. - Roger Johnson, Red McIntyre, Mike Holtham

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1:36 pm.	8:24 am. - Ron LeSeney, Doug McCrumb, Mike Lynch
1:42 pm.	8:18 am. - Larry Simons, J.C. Peterson, Bill Wagner
1:48 pm.	8:12 am. - Steven Miller, Tedd Bratschi, Bill Morgan
1:54 pm.	8:06 am. - John Clark, Dr. T.K. Jamieson, Jim McCune
2:00 pm.	8:00 am. - Kevin Collier, Larry Parker, Tommie Culpepper

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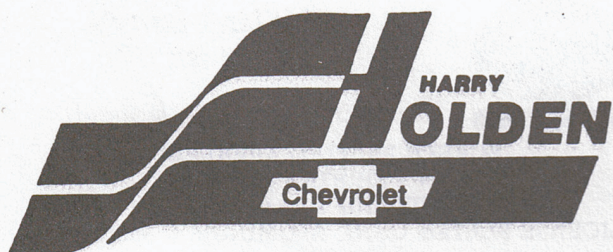
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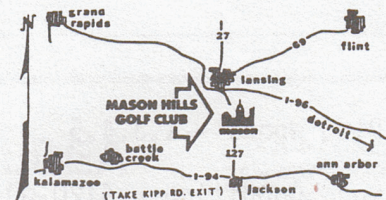
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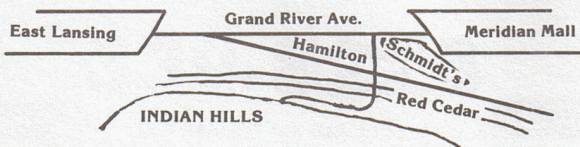
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- Tough hole to get lined up on the tee. Fairway bunker on the left side that catches a lot of drives. Green slopes towards the fairway so an incoming shot holds well. Important to keep second shot short of pin.

No.8 - 243 Yards - Par 3

- Out of bounds all the way down the right side. If the wind is from the east, the hole may require a driver.

No.9 - 488 Yards - Par 5

- Very easy par 5 once you get your drive into play. Out of bounds to the right and 2 large fairway bunkers that make accuracy off the tee a must. Second shot is to an almost unguarded green. Good hole to make up some ground.

No.10 - 343 Yards - Par 4

- Dog leg right and down hill - the shortest par 4 on the West Course. Good hole to hit a 3-wood off the tee to keep it in play. Good birdie hole to start the back nine off with a good start.

No.11 - 443 Yards - Par 4

- One of the most difficult par 4's on either course. Very long and straight hole with out of bounds right. Green is 2-tiered and very hard to get the ball up and down. A 4 here is a very good score.

No.12 - 205 Yards - Par 3

- This hole will require a long iron or wood to the green, depending on the wind. Out of bounds right and 2 large bunkers guard the green. The green can play hard depending on the pin placement.

No.13 - 391 Yards - Par 4

- Good driving hole. Small creek on the left side of the fairway that is not visible from the tee. Green sets in a wooded area guarded by 2 bunkers.

No.14 - 351 Yards - Par 4

- Dog leg right, up hill with woods and a hazard area on the right. This hole is where a golfer could make a 3 or an 8 very easily. A good drive and a player is on top of the hill with a short iron in. The second shot is very demanding with severe slopes all around the green except in front of the green.

No.15 - 445 Yards - Par 4

- Most controversial hole on the course. The question to ask is, "Where do I hit my drive?" The drive must be played over the trees on the left with a very sharp draw on it. This hole will be talked about after the tournament.

No.16 - 578 Yards - Par 5

- A long rolling par 5 hole almost impossible to hit in two. Green is protected by two bunkers. Good chance for a birdie by the golfers.

No.17 - 405 Yards - Par 4

- Another good driving hole with a hazard on the right side of the green. Drive must be placed on the left side of the fairway or be blocked out.

No.18 - 216 Yards - Par 3

- A very tough par 3 hole to end up the round. A very hard green to hit. Very few birdies will be made here. Three is a good score.

No.1 - 418 Yards - Par 4

- Good starting hole. Need 2 good shots to get to the green. Trouble on the drive is left where a drive could catch some trees. The green is guarded by 2 bunkers, one on each side of the green.

No.2 - 389 Yards - Par 4

- Two traps guard each side of the driving area. Good hole to hit a 3-wood off the tee. That would leave only an 8 or 9 iron to the green. The front of the green is normally hard, so a short second shot runs onto the green.

No.3 - 412 Yards - Par 4

- One of the best Par 4's on the course. No bunkers on the hole. Green is guarded by two large trees. Pin placement will determine which side of the fairway to drive. Fairway is lined by trees all the way from tee to green.

No.4 - 531 Yards - Par 5

- From the top tee, player must draw the ball around a large tree to get into the fairway. Second shot is all up-hill. Hitting this green in 2 is possible, but it takes two great shots. The green is guarded by two bunkers. Player should try to avoid the front right bunker. Green slopes severely from back to front. Putting back down to the hole can be tricky. Also, going over this green can give the golfer more nightmares.

No.5 - 405 Yards - Par 4

- The only water hole on the course. Water should not come into play. Dog-leg left hole, drive should be aimed at the 150 yard marker with a small draw on it. Second shot is to an elevated green with three huge bunkers. Missing the green anywhere but short could cost the player.

No.6 - 182 Yards - Par 3

- All up hill. Club selection is important. Getting ball up and down on this hole is no easy task. Green has three bunkers and a severe slope on the right side. Once the ball is on the green, your work is still not over. This green does have some good pin placements to add to the difficulty of the hole.

EAST COURSE

No.1 - 332 Yards - Par 4

- This medium length hole is a very good starting hole. A slight dog leg to the right, a good drive will leave most golfers with a medium to short iron into one of the largest greens on the course.

No.2 - 392 Yards - Par 4

- Another medium length par 4, this could play "short" for some of the better players in the tournament because of prevailing winds. With the green sloping from back to front and from side to side, players must be careful not to go over this green.

No.3 - 514 Yards - Par 5

- A dog leg right, this is one of the 4 true "birdie" holes on the East Course. A long drive down the right side of the fairway will allow many players to reach the green in 2 shots. A word of caution, the rough on both sides of the fairway tends to be long, so lost balls could make you hike back to the tee.

No.4 - 146 Yards - Par 3

- One of the really good Par 3's on both the courses. This hole has almost no trouble around the green, but it is still an excellent par 3. A medium iron for most players to a green that has a chance to be one of the faster greens on the course.

No.5 - 163 Yards - Par 3

- This Scottish style Par 3 will offer the player a test in both depth perception and in club selection. A medium or long iron shot to a small green could prove to be a problem.

No.6 - 440 Yards - Par 4

- An excellent par 4, this slight dog leg requires a good tee shot and proper club selection to a green that slopes from left to right. This could be a key hole to a good score on the front nine.

No.7 - 360 Yards - Par 4

- The players will make a decision here that will make or break their round. The choice of whether or not to try and carry the water on the tee shot is important.

A wrong choice or a mis-hit shot could cost a player dearly. If a player lays up, he'll have a medium to short iron to the green that slopes from back to front.

No.8 - 173 Yards - Par 3

- This is the second of the good par 3's. A medium to long iron shot into a well bunkered and mounded green. This is the first of 2 excellent closing holes on the front nine.

No.9 - 371 Yards - Par 4

- A medium length par 4 features the largest green on either side of the road. The key to this hole is once again - club selection on the second shot. A wrong club could leave a player with a putt of 40 to 50 feet.

No.10 - 312 Yards - Par 4

- This is the second of the 4 "birdie" holes on the East Course. A good drive will leave the player with a short iron or wedge into the green. With a limited amount of trouble, this hole could yield it's share of sub-par scores.

No.11 - 480 Yards - Par 5

- This is the 3rd of the "birdie" holes on the East Course. A very reachable par 5, this hole should give a player a good chance at not only "birdies", but "eagles" as well.

No.12 - 201 Yards - Par 3

- This is a straight-away par 3 of medium length with very little trouble. Because this hole plays down hill it plays shorter than the yardage. The green is the key here. Good putters will reap the benefits.

No.13 - 371 Yards - Par 4

- Another medium length par 4, this hole will test the players club selection ability. This double terraced green will make proper club selection a must.

No.14 - 165 Yards - Par 3

- A short par 3, coming out of a wooded shoot, club selection is once again important because of the bunker guarding the front of the green.

No.15 - 452 Yards - Par 4

- This is a long par 4 to an elevated green. A good drive is a must on this, the first of 3 consecutive "key" holes on the East side.

No.16 - 439 Yards - Par 4

- This is the toughest hole on the East side. A long hole that requires both distance and accuracy. This hole actually plays the longer of both the 16th and 17th holes. This is the second of the 3 "key" holes on the East side.

No.17 - 394 Yards - Par 4

- The last "key" hole on the East, this hole demands a straight tee shot. With trees on the right, out of bounds on the left, some of the players may drop down to a fairway wood or an iron off the tee.

No.18 - 345 Yards - Par 4

- A short par 4 that should yield many birdies (which may be needed after 15,16, and 17). A good drive down the left side really shortens this hole. Cut it too short and your "OB". A good finishing hole.