

Ryder, McAboy, Perry Cop Golf Trophies

One of the largest and fastest fields in Company history teed off for the Eighth Annual Librascope Golf Tournament Sunday, July 22, at the Fox Hills Country Club.

By the time the last divot had been taken and the last putt holed out, Tom Ryder, inspection, had demonstrated that a good little man can beat some good big men.

Tom, playing unspectacular but consistent golf, would up with a net 62 to nose out Charlie Snavelly,

estimating, by a single stroke for the President's Cup.

McAboy Was Hot

Bill McAboy, engineering, blistered the back nine with a 2-over par 37. Coupled with a front side 44, his 81 gross brought him home a stroke in front of Ed Sullivan and gave Bill the low gross trophy. Jack Perry, tool design, won the Whiffer's Trophy for the 36-handicap players with a score of 102.

The Blind Bogey winners was

Ross Hazeltine, model shop, who won out over four others on a matched card basis.

The Burbank Division trophy was carted home by Don Slagle. He shot a 102-34 for a 68 net.

These were the big winners, but no one went home a loser. The contributions of the Precisioners and the diligent work of Marsh Cowan, Wally Jobe and the Purchasing Department resulted in one of the finest collection of

prizes we have ever seen.

Culver Pokes It

Carl Culver, wiring, first man to tee off on the 10th hole, didn't waste any time in wrapping up the longest drive prize. He blasted one straight down the middle that wound up a good 265 yards from the tee.

George Seevers, patent attorney, had the dubious distinction of holding the best poker hand when his card showed five straight 7's.

Johnny Grieshaber, contracts, was awarded a special consolation prize by Ted Lassagne, legal counsel, for conduct above and beyond.

Special prize winners (one golf ball each) included Bob Somerville, engineering, named best-dressed golfer; Bob Gorman, operations analysis, snake killingest golfer; Joe Mesch, personnel, luckiest golfer; and Art Curley, time-keeping, noisiest golfer.

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First LGP-30 Programming School for Customers Held

A dozen representatives of companies who have purchased Librascope's LPG-30 general purpose computers attended the initial customer training school for LPG-30 programmers here July 16-27.

The school, first of a series designed to instruct customer personnel in the use and operation of the LPG-30, was under the direction of Fred Flannell, LPG-30 applications engineer who was recently named assistant sales manager for the computer in the Royal-McBee organization.

Learning the Ropes

The neophyte programmers from Convair's Pomona and San Diego divisions, Link Aviation, the National Security Agency and Caltech met the first week with Fred, Bud Hazlett and Jim Cass, who introduced them to the theory and techniques of LPG-30 programming. During the second week, the class members received individual instruction from Fred and Bud and tried their hand at programming the computer.

Once their firms have received computers (now in production at our Burbank division) these people will put what they have learned to good use.

One firm will use its machine to compute calibration curves for use in inspecting transducers; a second, for photo reconnaissance data reduction; a third, for analog design work; a fourth, for basic computer research.

LPG-30 a Useful Tool

Other firms, not represented at this first school but who have ordered LPG-30s, will use our computers to replace existing

analog equipment for solving differential equations and for use in interior and exterior missile ballistic studies.

Present plans call for holding both programming and maintenance training schools for customers at Librascope until personnel and facilities are available in the regional offices that Royal-McBee will establish.

The first maintenance school, conducted by Bill Chase, was held Aug. 6-17.

Teachers, All

Until such time as schools can be set up in other locales, Fred and his fellow applications engineers, Bud Hazlett, Jack Behr and Mel Kaye, will probably handle the job of training customer personnel in the art of LPG-30 programming.

As announced in the July Librazette, these men have all been transferred to the Royal-McBee payroll.

Hazlett, Behr and Kaye will form the nucleus of a programming group that will be located in the Los Angeles area. These men will serve the applications engi-

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Negotiation of New Contract Is Underway

Negotiation of a new union contract between Librascope, Inc. and Precision Lodge 1600, International Association of Machinists, AFL-CIO, began officially Tuesday, July 17.

On that date the Union Negotiating Committee presented its proposals for a new contract to the Company.

These proposals were in the form of a completely rewritten union contract. Of the 37 articles in the existing contract, the Union has proposed changes in 22, elimination of 1, and the addition of 5 new articles.

The extensive changes proposed by the Union required considerable study by the Company Negotiating Committee, according to Harlan Buseth, production manager, who is again serving as chairman at the negotiating sessions. As a result, progress in drawing up a new contract has been slow during the first six meetings, he stated.

The Union proposals include provision for a retirement plan and increased monetary benefits of approximately \$0.50 per hour. The bulk of this figure is taken up by a proposed average hourly wage increase of \$0.40.

Company and Union committee members who are attempting to come up with a new contract before the present one expires at 12:01 a.m., Aug. 27, include:

For the Company, Harlan Buseth; Art Davis, model shop general foreman; Lloyd Somerfield, (Continued on Page 2)

Los Angeles Firm Will Distribute Flow Computers

Librascope Flow Computers will be distributed by the Barton Instrument Corporation of Los Angeles, according to an announcement by our Burbank Division.

Our Flow Computers represent an important advance in the field of fluid measurement. They provide direct and accurate reading of total flow through a pipeline while reducing or eliminating the laborious hand integration of chart records required in devices used in the past.

The Librascope units, now in production, will be incorporated into the Barton instrument line.

Don't miss Librascope's "You and Your Future," broadcast Monday through Friday at 6:55 a.m., over radio station KABC.



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LIBRASCOPE PRESIDENT Lewis W. Imm congratulates Dave Harrison (left) and Willard Opocensky, engineering, following presentation of 15-year service pins to the two men. Charlie Cole, tooling (partly hidden behind Mr. Imm), and Galen Mannan, engineering, were also recipients of 15-year pins and a presidential handshake. The occasion was the 5th annual Libravet party. (Photo by Duggan)

146 Libravets Honored at 5th Annual Awards Party

Service pins, commemorating almost 1000 years of Librascope employment for their wearers, were presented to 146 employees at the fifth annual Libravet party.

More than 150 Libravet couples joined Librascope President Lewis W. Imm for a convivial evening at the Burbank Elks' Temple July 7 as honored guests of the Company.

Bob Garrett, Libravet committee chairman and master of ceremonies, opened the evening's festivities with a couple of songs.

Mr. Imm Speaks

Mr. Imm then spoke briefly on Company plans for the future and awarded 15-year pins to Libravets Charlie Cole, tooling; Dave Harrison, standards; and Galen Mannan and Willard Opocensky, engineering.

Pins, marking 10 years of service to the Company, were then presented to 31 employees. Those honored included Trent Albizati, Gib Bahr, Maurice Kurkdjie and Art Vicenti, assembly; Muriel Brown, Margaret Mathews and Dana Nixon, accounting; and Red Brown and Jim Jones, purchasing.

Model shop recipients were George Henderhan, Harold Nylen and Glen Reymann. Tooling was represented by Jesse Brown, George Hackett and Jack Stick. From the machine shop came Ray Setty and Don Waschcalis.

Ten-year men from engineering were Dean Frederick, Frank Klavon, Walter Lebert, Bud Linsley, George Markham, Vince Nahrstedt, Joe Riddle and Carroll Schramling.

More 10-Year Libravets

In addition, Forrest McColl, adjusting; Bill Bietsch, materiel control; Ivan Franklin, operations analysis; Ed Jackson, shipping and receiving; Paul Metzger, inspection; and Howard Myers, systems

and office services, were awarded 10-year pins.

Five-year pins were presented to the largest group of incoming Libravets in Company history. The 111 employees, who are marking their fifth anniversaries at Librascope this year, represent a very sizeable cross section of the Company. They are:

Lena Allen, Gus Anderson, Louie Arias, Tom Badillo, Eddie Bacon, Bill Balch, Don Barnes, Helen Benson, Bill Bell, Crystal Bowhay, Andy Bonanno and Wikke Bouma;

Bernie Caird, Harry Callaghan, Don Cady, Nell Cox, Tom Corbitt, Vern Crooks, Vi Chadock, George Chianello, Bill Davis, Harold Dethloff, Johnny and Juanita Delle Fave, George Dill, Carl Doolittle, Lee Duggan, Russ Erickson and Burns Ewing;

5-Year Pin Winners

Hildegard Forster, Ruth Flynn, Chuck Flickinger, Isabel Fryer, Sam Galindez, Harvey Goodwin, Cliff Godwin, Leonard Golove, Bill Goepfinger, Bob Garrett, Max Goshkin, Bill Greer, Bill Griman, Sven Gustavson and Bob Gundersen;

Bert Haber, Joe Hammer, Jim Hammer, Murray Harrison, Dick Hastings, Ross Hazeltine, Ed Hirt, Roy Hunter, Steve Jackman, Jack Jensen, Jim Johnson and George

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LIBRASCOPE'S MURAL ROOM became a study hall for neophyte LPG-30 programmers the week of July 16. Students participating in this first training school for LPG-30 customers included (seated l. to r.) Bill Hopper, Mary Cornell and Chuck Rue, Convair-Pomona; John Corkhill, Convair-San Diego; R. J. Bibbins, Link Aviation; K. A. Hurst, D. D. Parkhurst, C. S. Kikushima and Ides J. Romero, Convair-San Diego; George Kendrick, Convair-Pomona; Chuck Ray, Caltech; and William Clayton, National Security Agency. Standing (l. to r.) are Fred Flannell, class instructor and assistant sales manager of Royal-McBee; and Royal-McBee Applications Engineers Bud Hazlett, Jack Behr and Mel Kaye. (Photo by Duggan)

A Premiere Performance

Company Employees to Star in Picnic

The Precisioners are proud to announce the premiere performance of their annual summer stock production—"Picnic," starring all Librascope employees, their families and their friends.

Setting for this traditional American epic is Sunland Park. The curtain goes up at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 25, for a 1-day-only engagement; so don't miss it.

The only ticket you'll need to this Precisioner-produced event is your Librascope badge. Director Jack Nelson has lined up a program of special events that will put you in the proper condition to enjoy your picnic lunches and the free refreshments the Precisioners

are providing.

For those of you who like a little exertion before you eat, Jack is planning a volleyball tournament. Choose up a six-member team, of whom two must be women, and join in the fun. Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

If you prefer a milder form of exercise, Jack in scheduling a partnership horseshoe tourney, with prizes for the victors. The usual novelty contests—egg rolling, sack races, etc.—are on the agenda, as is dancing to the rhythms of the juke box.

Last, but not least, there is the swimming pool—one of Cali-

fornia's largest—which has been reserved for our exclusive use. Bath house facilities are available and life guards will be on duty at all times.

When your hunger or thirst get the better of you, you can relax in the private, well-shaded picnic area. Parking facilities are immediately adjacent.

Let's pack those picnic baskets to the brim, load them and yourselves in the family chariot, and beat a path to Sunland Park Saturday, Aug. 25. You'll never find a nicer bunch of people to enjoy a day's outing with—than your fellow employees.

Summer Dance Leaves Fond Memories

An estimated 150 Librascope couples had themselves quite a ball Saturday night, July 14. The occasion was the annual Precisioneer-sponsored Summer Dance. Oakmont Club was the site.

From the opening bars of "Street Where You Live" to the closing strains of "Goodnight, Sweetheart," the fortunate couples present enjoyed themselves to the hilt.

The music of Earle Evans and his crew was that 'makes you want to dance' type and everyone present did.

Judging from comments heard both during the dance and later, it was evident that people felt this to be one of the best dances ever held by the Precisioneers.

Bill Greer, Precisioneer president, and his dance committee were so pleased with the turnout that they are thinking of holding another dance at the same site sometime in October.

SUMMER SOUVENIRS



Doughty Anglers Say Muddy Waters Make Suds a Must

A bunch of the boys whooped it up but good along the banks of the Kern river a couple of weeks ago.

Officially billed as a fishing trip, the excursion more closely resembled a brewer's convention according to a reliable observer.

Seven expert Librascope bait casters made the memorable jaunt and wound up with a total of eight fish. The reason for the slim catch was plain, they say. Muddy water. Man couldn't drink it and the fish couldn't see the bait.

Those present included Chuck Baumgard, Val Castle, Jim Simon and Ed Warren, engineering, and Bill Bell, Art Bevan and Don Bourquin, accounting.

Bill Bell hooked the first and largest fish caught — a rainbow trout that had escaped the lines of three fisherman, including Chuck Baumgard's, until Bill battled it to submission.

Val Castle, Don Bourquin and Jim Simon also landed a couple of specimens of an unspecified nature. Remainder of the crew had a fine time wetting their lines and their whistles.

The fishing was lousy but they had so much fun, the group has scheduled another outing for early September. Local of the affair will be Dinky creek, west of the High Sierras in the Porterville area.

Libravet Party

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Johnson;

Lyle Kane, Hilda Keesling, Fred Killips, Elma King, Mona King, John Laubacher, John Lettow, Bruce Luther, Pat Lombardi, Lloyd McConnell, Bob McCollum, Willard Mather, Ivan Mahoney and Basil Mardis;

Jim Marfine, Matt Massa, George Metcalf, Reggie Moore, Betty Myer, Everett Minard, Hal Orner, Joe Palilla, Charles Parker, Lillian Petrach, Art Pederson, Charles Pierson, Laura Pond, Gordon Pickell, John Phillips and Bill Puntenney;

Lots of Them

Jean Quail, Bob Rearley, Thelma Robertson, Glen Seltzer, Don Silars, Fred Sudnick, Ed Sullivan, Evelyn Schaffer, Harold Schwartz, Danny Sanchez, Jennie Sedita, Voyle Sipes, Roland Smith and Thelma Snyder;

Mary Snyder, Elsie Stefurak, Gene Steen, John Stewart, Anna Staats, Pat Swope, Walt Tomaloni, Joe Toczko, Ruby Waits, Ernest Wekerle and Barbara Wills.

Libravet party-goers were greeted at the door by an imposing Uncle Sam, ably played by Engi-



...tete a tete

neering's Al Smith, Colorful mementos of the Fourth of July, arranged by Libravet committee members, decorated the party hall.

Dance and Dine

Following the presentation ceremony, Libravet couples danced to the excellent rhythms of Bill Heathcock and his orchestra and enjoyed the torchy singing of our own Lynn Fortina, standards, and the crooning of Bob Garrett, engineering-commercial.

A buffet lunch was served at 11:00 p.m., and the last half-dozen or so couples to leave were observed speeding off along Burbank's darkened streets about 1:30 a.m.

We've heard nothing but nice things about this year's Libravet party, and we feel that much of the credit must go to the committee who planned it. Libravet committee members were Chairman Bob Garrett, Cesar Goldstein, Mildred Huggins, Keith Kinnaird, Galen Mannan, George Metcalf, Harold Nysten and Barbara Wills.

lations director.

For the Union, George Metcalf, chief steward—days; Max Mennen, chief steward—second shift; Chas. Carroll; Verle McClure; Dick Ahrens; and Lee Hewitt, senior business representative. Union committee alternates are Paul Smith and Dan Fitzpatrick, business representative.

Friends Honor Phyl Cooper at Farewell Party

One of our pages is missing. It disappeared when one of our favorite girls, Phyllis Cooper, closed the book on eight years of Librascope employment and retired to be a homemaker.

Many of you may not have known Phyl by sight, but we're sure that all of you have heard her melodious voice over our P.A. system as she summoned wandering employees to the telephone. The voice is gone, but the memory lingers on.

Prior to Phyl's termination, her many friends threw a little thing for her, complete with cake and trimmings, in the engineering conference room. They also presented her with a beautiful wrist watch.

In addition to her homemaking duties, Phyl, along with her husband, will assume parental responsibilities when adoption proceedings they have started are completed.

We are joining with Phyl Cooper's legion of friends in wishing her the best of luck and happiness in her new career.



Computer School

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neers who will one day staff offices in New York, Boston, Cleveland and Chicago.

Who Does What

LPG-30 sales will be handled by McBee. Their salesmen will make the initial contacts and computer applications engineers will provide the follow-up.

Computer promotion will be handled by Royal Precision Corp., jointly owned subsidiary of GPE and Royal-McBee. LPG-30 production will be the responsibility of Librascope's Burbank division.

Negotiations

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machine shop general foreman; Mac McKeague, personnel manager; and Sid Briggs, employee re-



The 10-Year Line-up



... Company Chantress



MR. IMM TOOK time out from his presidential duties to join in the fun at this year's Libravet party. Shown with Mr. Imm is Gene Emmet Clark, whose early morning broadcast for Librascope over KABC is heard throughout the Southland.

Brand New Libravets



They Have Five Years, Too





Lee Duggan Places First In Photographic Exhibit

Steichen . . . Mortensen . . . Wegee . . . move over! You have company—our demon plant photographer, Lee Duggan.

After 10 years of shutter clicking and print dunking, Lee decided he'd hang a couple of his creations at a local print exhibit. Like the rookie who hits a homerun his first time at bat, Lee scored, too. Lee entered prints in the still life and industrial classifications in the June exhibit of the Professional Photographers Association of Southern California.

Lee Scores A Double

When judging of the more than 60 entries submitted by 30 Southern California professional photographers was completed, Lee's still life entry (of a Librascope magnetic drum assembly) was a blue ribbon winner—and his industrial entry took the gold ribbon as "best of show."

Lee has been the Librascope plant photographer for all but the first few months of his five years here. In that period his camera has caught and recorded the people, the equipment and the facilities, the products, and the events that are Librascope.

It's in the Files

He may have forgotten a few of the dozens of company products, personalities and events that have passed before his lenses, but the bulging photo files in Publications form a permanent record of his efforts.

Lee is a Californian to the core. Born in Eagle Rock, reared in Van Nuys, he now lives with his wife and three daughters in La Crescenta.

A World War II veteran, Lee saw action at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. He was a gunner's mate on the USS Pennsylvania, then in dry dock, and was standing deck watch that fateful Sunday morning.

Lots of Sea Duty

Lee served on the Pennsylvania for the first year and a half of the War, then was transferred to a tanker on the Atlantic run. After a year of tanker duty, he moved to a destroyer and served out the remainder of the War in the central Pacific.

Following the War Lee, along with several thousand other GI's, took up photography. Unlike most of the rest, Lee did something with it.

Secure in the knowledge that his work can more than hold its own with his fellow professionals, Lee is planning to submit entries in future photographic shows. Having worked with Lee these past two years, we're certain that these initial rebuffs of his are but the first of many he will acquire in the years ahead.

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. . . magnetic eraser

Here's Something For Hi-Fi Fans

Hi-fi enthusiasts are offered a new and compact device for removing recorded and undesirable signals from entire reels of magnetic tape in a matter of seconds.

Produced by Librascope's Burbank Division, the attractively packaged "Noiseraser" is another in the Division's series of bulk magnetic tape degaussers and is designed specifically for Hi-fi enthusiasts.

Known as the N-HF, the new device contains a powerful magnetic circuit designed to remove signals 4-6 decibels below standard erase head level of demagnetization.

The "Noiseraser" is recommended for use with 1/4-inch magnetic tape on reels up to 10 1/2 inches in diameter and operates from the ordinary AC convenience outlet.

Welcome

Librascope welcomes the following new employees who joined us during July:

ACCOUNTING—
Robert McMullen
Arlene Swanson
ENGINEERING—
ADMINISTRATIVE—
Ella Mariluch
Raymond Marinello
ENGINEERING—
COMMERCIAL—
Melvin Kaye
ENGINEERING—
SPECIAL DEVICES—
Melvin Smokler
MACHINE SHOP—
Howard Copeland
Abraham Grossman
William Palmer
METHODS—
Marjorie McKanna
Phyllis Zitnick
PUBLICATIONS—
Sol Kaufler
Carl Plath Jr.
Publications—
Sol Kaufler
Carl Plath Jr.
PUBLIC RELATIONS
AND ADV.—
Betty Hagan
TOOL ROOM—
Herman Brosch
Hyman Gibson

Golf Tourney

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Club-Throwing Champ

Mild-tempered Forrie McColl, adjusting, was an easy winner in the club throwing bracket, and Howard Miller, production control, qualified as the golfer with the greatest opportunity for improvement.

Wandering around the 19th hole as the golfers straggled in, we picked up some rare comments.

"Man, if I just hadn't four-putted that thirteenth green, I'd have been right up there battling for first place."

"What a lie I had on that third hole. Only fifteen feet off the green with my second, but that grass must have been three feet high. Took a lousy eight . . ."

Alibis Galore

"I never saw such blankety-blank greens in all my life."

The bulk of the comment, however, was reserved for the little trek between the 11th green and the 12th tee. None of it, unfortunately, is printable.

By this time, we're certain that most of the Librascope must feel the 80 golfers who competed in the tournament must all have been victims of incredibly bad luck, incompetent greenskeepers, or phony handicaps.

Following the dinner, trophy presentation and awarding of prizes, Ed Sullivan, 1956 golf chairman, conducted the Calcutta auction.

Calcutta Pairings

This event pits the 16 gross finishers in the tournament in 18-hole match play to determine the Calcutta trophy winner. Last year's winner, Wally Jobe, Burbank division, is a competitor again, as is that perennial winner, Bill McAbey.

Upper bracket pairings include: McAbey-Newman; Haber-Grieshaber; Snively-Metz; and Welty-Davis.

Paired in the lower bracket are: Sullivan-Bratton; Jobe-Goodwin; Culver-Mesch; and McColl-Seltzer. Play tentatively is scheduled to start immediately following completion of league competition, with all matches to be completed by Dec. 1.



Editor Joe tries golf

Stork Club

Arnold Larson, engineering
Daughter—Jane Averil, born July 6
Gaylord Vance, engineering
Daughter—Jannet Leigh, born July 7
Jim Walsh, production control
Son—Christy, born July 8
John Lettow, production control
Daughter—Jennifer Claire, born July 8
Jerome Deitz, engineering
Son—Gary Alan, born July 8
Bob Burgess, engineering
Daughter—Lee Ann, born July 9
Lane Wolman, engineering
Daughter—Valerie Gail, born July 10
Gene Hinton, stockroom
Son—Michael Ray, born July 12
Bill Wichman, engineering
Son—Kurt David, born July 17
Willard Mather, adjusting
Son—Edmond, born July 17
Hank Norris, engineering
Son—Robert Warren, born June 25
Les Bentley, engineering
Son—Thomas Dale, born August 1

Tournament Views



TOM RYDER, INSPECTION, receives the President's Cup, awarded annually to the Librascope golf tournament champion, from Vice-president M. L. (Lindy) Lindahl. Tom shot a fine 84-22 for low net honors in the 1956 tourney. (Photo by Crawford)



LIBRASCOPE'S MOST consistent golfer, Bill McAbey, engineering-administrative, accepts an addition to his growing trophy collection from Ed Sullivan, 1956 golf committee chairman. Bill shot an 81 to nose out Ed by a single stroke for low gross honors.



LOW MAN AMONG the high, high handicappers was Jack Perry (right) shown here accepting the Whiffer's Trophy for the 36-handicap player with the lowest net score. Jack shot his best round of the year, a 102, to qualify as king of the hackers.



A PERPETUAL TROPHY, symbolizing the Burbank Division golf championship, is awarded to the 1956 winner, Don Slagle (right) by last year's champion, Burbank General Manager Dick Hastings.