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DOUGLAS BOLCOM, ARCADIA GUARD, WINS "AAA" C.I.F. PLAYER OF YEAR AWARD FOR '62 SEASON

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In one of the closest votes in recent years, Douglas Bolcom, star guard of the C.I.F. finalist Arcadia Apaches, was named the outstanding performer in "AAA" Division basketball for the 1962 season. John Block, 6-foot 9-inch center on a strong Glendale High School five which went to the semi-finals of the "AAA" Division playoffs, gave Bolcom stiff opposition for the top player award. This marked the 25th year that All-Southern California Board of Basketball has made all-star team selections, the teams dating back to 1938. Bolcom's selection as player of the year marks the first time in the board's history that a player from Arcadia High School has been named for such an honor.

Coach Ralph Hooker of Arcadia speaks in glowing terms of his fine guard, who averaged 20 points for 30 games during the season. Although the Apaches finished second to El Monte in the tough Pacific League, they entered the playoffs as a darkhorse at best. With Bolcom leading the way from his guard post Arcadia defeated San Bernardino (67-65), Anaheim (56-55), La Habra (70-62), and Long Beach Poly (66-56) before coming up against Chaffey for the title. Although going down before Chaffey (55-51) the Apaches came within an ace of becoming the Cinderella team of 1962.

Bolcom, who has been All-Pacific League for the past two seasons, received rave notices wherever he played. He is highly sought after by collegiate coaches in the area, many of whom rate him among the best ever to come out of Southland prep ranks.

For having been selected as the year's top basketball performer, Doug will be presented with his player of the year medal award at the 25th annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball awards program to be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, April 7, at 10:30 a.m. All boys named for honors in both CIF divisions and Los Angeles City play will be honored with awards.

For the first time in 1962, three ten-man teams were named by the Helms Board. Only two teams have been selected in the past, however Board members felt that due to the increase in schools, plus the better brand of basketball displayed, another team should be named.

Named along with Bolcom as first team guards were James Hutchison of Covina, Mickey Dittebrand of El Monte and Richard Potter of San Diego Hoover. Potter led Hoover to its second straight San Diego City title and has had much to do with Coach Charles Hampton's amazing 76-7 record over the past three seasons. Mickey Dittebrand is no less a sensation on the court than the other guards and Jim Hutchison of Covina ranks as one of Doc Scooter's all-time best guards and the most prolific scorer on the first team.

First team center selections were John Block, Glendale's fine postman and San Diego's player of the year, Dick Baker. Both boys averaged just under 20 points per game and have great careers ahead of them in college.

The forwards named were Steve Brucker (Chaffey), Larry Bliss (Arroyo), Jim Barnett (Ramona, Riverside) and Dick Gilliland (Whittier). Brucker was mainly responsible for Chaffey going all the way to the title (Northview, 66-48; El Segundo, 48-40; El Monte, 50-47; Glendale, 63-61; and Arcadia, 55-51) this year, along with teammate Gary Spencer, who was named to the second team. Larry Bliss set a new league scoring record for the Sierra League and was named player of the year. He also shown in the rebound department, averaging 18 per game. Both Jim Barnett and Richard Gilliland received high praise for their play during the year.

There were no repeaters on this year's "AAA" Division teams. Only one junior was named to the team -- Bay League player of the year, Gary Mykkanen was a third team choice.

VOIT RUBBER COMPANY TO PRESENT BASKETBALLS ON APRIL 7

As it has so kindly done over past years, the W.J. Voit Rubber Co. of Los Angeles will make special presentation of miniature basketballs to those boys honored on the All-CIF Teams for 1962. Mel Barton and Lovd Tutor will be hand to do the honors for the Voit Company.

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BOB BEDELL, BELL GARDENS' ACE CENTER, WINS
"AA" PLAYER OF YEAR AWARD FOR SECOND TIME
BOB HENDERSON, LAGUNA BEACH GUARD, NAMED
FOR "A" HONORS IN 1962 BASKETBALL PICKS...

FOR RELEASE: TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 1962 and after

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Bob Bedell of Bell Gardens High School and Bob Henderson of Laguna Beach were picked out for single honors when the annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball selection meeting was held at Helms Hall last week. Bedell, a can't-miss college prospect was named unanimously as the "AA" Division player of the year for the second straight season, while Bob Henderson, a flashy guard on coach Ed Bowen's class "A" championship team, was named the top performer from among "A" Division teams. This marked the first year that a special award has been voted for a player from the "A" CIF Division.

The Helms Board did not hesitate in its selection of Bob Bedell for "AA" Player of the Year recognition. Last season Bob scored 724 points in 27 games for a 26.8 average. In 30 games this year, Bob managed to score over 800 points, averaging close to 27 points per game. Coach Emmet Birk is naturally very high on Bedell and ranks his ace with any player in Southern California.

The Bell Gardens Lancers, with Bedell and first team guard selection Greg Kind leading the way, polished off all opposition in the "AA" playoffs, winning five straight games by comfortable margins. The scores were 65-44 (Westminster), 60-33 (Palm Springs), 78-59 (St. Bernard's), 60-53 (Costa Mesa) and 70-62 (La Salle). The over-all season record for Bell Gardens was 26-4.

For the first time in 1962, the Helms Board selected a player of the year from the "A" Division schools of the C.I.F. It came down to a vote between Bob Henderson of Laguna Beach and John McCarthy of Santa Clara, with Henderson winning the nod.

Coach Ed Bowen had an outstanding pair of guards on his 1962 "A" Championship ball club -- Bob Henderson and Ron Lutz (named to the second team) -- which managed victories over Chadwick (60-44), Calipatria (64-41), Lutheran (59-41), Santa Ynez (56-40), and Santa Clara (58-54). Henderson was voted player of the year in the Orange League, as he scored 401 points in 31 games, for just under a 13-point average.

Both Bob Henderson and Bob Bedell will be recipients of Helms medal awards recognizing them as players of the year for the 1962 season. Their awards will be presented at the 25th annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball awards program to be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, April 7, at 10:30 a.m. At this time all players named for honors, from both "AAA" and "AA-A" CIF Divisions, will be presented awards.

Four players from last year's first team are back for additional honors in 1962. First team forwards Jack Lucas and Jeff Congdon were top-team picks in 1961, along with "player of the year" Bob Bedell, who was named at center. Jack Tebbs of Alemany High is back on this year's first team at a guard spot.

THREE TEAMS PICKED FOR FIRST TIME IN 1962

This season marks the first time that All-Southern California Board of Basketball has selected three all-star teams in CIF basketball. Prior to this year only two ten-man teams were selected, however, the Board voted unanimously to increase its selections to three teams, thus giving more players a chance to be recognized.

Framed scroll awards will be presented to all players named for all-star team honors and coaches of championship teams over the past year will also come in for recognition.

As it has done over the past dozen years, the Voit Rubber Company of Los Angeles will present special gift basketballs to all players in attendance at the April 7th awards program. Prep coaches and collegiate coaches will be honored guests along with the players at the annual Helms awards program.

1962 ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA "AA-A" DIVISION BASKETBALL TEAMS -- 1962

POS.	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	POINTS	AVG.
F.	JACK LUCAS	EISENHOWER.....	6-1	180	Sr.	409-19	21.5
F.	JEFF CONGDON	BOLSA-GRANDE....	6-1	185	Sr.	389-25	15.6
F.	DAN COBB	ST. FRANCIS.....	5-10	155	Sr.	476-23	20.7
F.	JOHN McCARTHY	SANTA CLARA.....	6-4	175	Sr.	366-25	14.6
C.	BOB BEDELL	BELL GARDENS....	6-7	180	Sr.	572-23	24.9
C.	RICHARD KOLBERG	LA SALLE.....	6-5	185	Sr.	305-19	16.0
G.	JACK TEBBS	ALEMANY.....	5-10	160	Sr.	586-27	21.7
G.	BOB HENDERSON	LAGUNA BEACH....	6-0	150	Sr.	401-31	12.9
G.	THOMAS YOUNG	LA SALLE.....	6-2	165	Sr.	361-19	19.0
G.	GREG KIND	BELL GARDENS....	5-11	155	Sr.	328-21	15.6

* * * SECOND TEAM

F.	NORBERT RIESGO	FILLMORE.....	6-0	135	Sr.	403-22	18.3
F.	BRIAN TYLER	CHARTER OAK.....	6-1	170	Sr.	408-24	17.0
F.	GILBERT GAINES	ST. JOHN VIANNEY	6-2	155	Sr.	386-22	17.5
F.	RAMON SANCHEZ	CALEXICO.....	6-4	180	Jr.	310-16	19.4
C.	FRED BOYER	VISTA.....	6-4	185	Sr.	306-22	13.9
C.	RAY CURTIS	BANNING.....	6-1	185	Jr.	410-30	13.7
G.	RON LUTZ	LAGUNA BEACH....	6-0	155	Jr.	595-31	19.2
G.	GILBERT ESCAMILLO	SANTA CLARA.....	5-9	165	Sr.	381-25	15.2
G.	DANIEL CHRIST	TUSTIN.....	5-9	150	Sr.	263-21	12.5
G.	LARRY KENNAN	BONITA.....	5-10	135	Sr.	325-23	14.1

* * * THIRD TEAM

F.	PETER HINCKLE	BLACK FOXE.....	6-1	170	Sr.	154-10	15.4
F.	BOB O'BRIEN	SIERRA.....	6-2	175	Jr.	241-21	11.5
F.	ED RODOM	SANTA YNEZ.....	6-2	185	Sr.	293-24	12.2
F.	TED PAGE	YUCAIPA.....	6-7	197	Jr.	412-26	15.8
C.	NORMAN RAMBEAU	BISHOP.....	6-2	180	Sr.	302-20	15.1
C.	TOM QUAST	SAN JACINTO.....	6-4	175	Sr.	285-16	17.8
G.	ED REED	ST. BERNARD'S...	5-11	170	Sr.	392-28	14.0
G.	RAY SHEA	BELLARMINE.....	5-11	170	Sr.	313-22	14.2
G.	CHARLES HAGEN	LA MIRADA.....	6-0	170	Sr.	468-26	18.0
G.	MATT HUDSON	TEMPLE CITY.....	6-2	185	Sr.	336-24	14.0

All-Southern California Board of Basketball, which made the above selections and similar selections since 1938, is composed of the following journalists:

Ralph Alexander, LA Herald-Examiner	Rich Roberts, San Pedro News-Pil.
Al Ames, Glendale News-Press	Garland Rose, Riverside Press
Claude Anderson, San Bernardino Sun	Rick Smith, San Diego Tribune
Cliff Gewecke, Hunt. Park Signal	Floyd Schneidermann, Pasadena S-N
Jim Guthrie, Ventura Star	John Strey, Whittier News
Doug Ives, Long Beach Press-Tel.	Jerry Weiner, Citizen News
Ron McGrath, San Gabriel Val.Trib.	Eddie West, Santa Ana Register
Dick Miller, Santa Monica Outlook	Bill Whitney, Breitbard Found.
Mannie Pineda, Member at Large	Bob Selzer, LA Times
Philip Patton, Santa Barbara News-P	Braven Dyer, Jr., Secretary
	W.R. Bill Schroeder -- Chairman

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ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA C.I.F. "AA-A" DIVISION PLAYERS OF YEAR

YEAR	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	YEAR	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L
1952	Don Carter.....	Tustin	1958	Terry Hermann...	Orange
	Bill Dennis.....	Citrus	1959	Bob Sommers.....	San Marino
1953	Clyde Cook.....	Laguna Beach	1960	Steve Miller....	Santa Clara
1954	Mike Gray.....	Claremont	1961	Bob Bedell.....	Bell Gardens
1955	John Arrillaga..	Morningside	1962	Bob Bedell.....	Bell Gardens
1956	Charles Jordan..	Palm Springs		*Bob Henderson..	Laguna Beach
1957	Bill Kilmer.....	Citrus			

* Note: For the first time in 1962, a player of the year selection was made from both "AA" and "A" Divisions of the CIF. Bob Henderson of Laguna Beach was named top "A" Div. player.

VOIT RUBBER COMPANY TO AGAIN PRESENT BASKETBALLS TO PLAYERS

As it has so kindly done over the past dozen years, the W.J. Voit Rubber Company of Los Angeles will present miniature Voit Basketballs to those boys named for All-Los Angeles and All-Southern California C.I.F. Basketball Team honors for the 1962 season. Mel Barton and Loyd Tutor of the Voit Company will again be on hand to remember each boy with a Voit ball.

1962 ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA "AAA" DIVISION C.I.F. TEAMS1962

POS.	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	POINTS	AVG.
F.	STEVE BRUCKER	CHAFFEY.....	6-3	185	Sr.	319-23	13.9
F.	LARRY BLISS	ARROYO.....	6-4	170	Sr.	564-26	21.7
F.	JIM BARNETT	RAMONA, RIVERSIDE	6-5	170	Sr.	492-25	19.7
F.	RICHARD GILLILAND	WHITTIER.....	6-2	175	Sr.	487-21	23.2
C.	JOHN BLOCK	GLENDALE.....	6-9	185	Sr.	586-32	18.3
C.	RICHARD BAKER	GROSSMONT.....	6-8	195	Sr.	490-25	19.6
G.	DOUGLAS BOLCOM	ARCADIA.....	6-1	160	Sr.	590-30	19.7
G.	RICHARD POTTER	HOOVER, SAN DIEGO	5-11	155	Sr.	368-27	13.6
G.	MICKEY DITTEBRAND	EL MONTE.....	6-1	155	Sr.	613-26	23.6
G.	JAMES HUTCHISON	COVINA.....	6-1	168	Sr.	646-27	23.9

* * * SECOND TEAM

F.	STEVE CARR	LAKEWOOD.....	6-3	185	Sr.	497-22	22.6
F.	CARROLL COOMBS	VENTURA.....	6-3	175	Sr.	561-28	20.0
F.	ROBERT BURNS	PIUS X.....	6-3	180	Sr.	619-25	24.8
F.	GARY SPENCER	CHAFFEY.....	6-2	173	Sr.	381-26	14.7
C.	GENE LOWE	POLY, LONG BEACH.	6-3	170	Sr.	433-25	17.3
C.	DENNIS HAMILTON	HUNTINGTON BEACH.	6-6	175	Sr.	536-26	20.6
G.	GARY SUTHERLAND	GLENDALE.....	6-0	175	Sr.	364-26	14.0
G.	EMILE MOSES	COMPTON.....	6-0	170	Sr.	534-25	21.4
G.	FORREST LIND	POLY, LONG BEACH.	6-0	150	Sr.	452-31	14.6
G.	GRAIG NETTLES	SAN DIEGO.....	6-0	160	Sr.	359-26	13.8

* * * THIRD TEAM

F.	PAUL ELLSWORTH	LA HABRA.....	6-3	180	Sr.	530-29	18.3
F.	JOHN CONNELLY	SANTA MONICA.....	6-4	180	Sr.	387-25	15.5
F.	GARY MYKKANEN	HAWTHORNE.....	6-1	198	Jr.	423-21	20.1
F.	BILL SMITH	ANAHEIM.....	6-2	160	Sr.	300-26	11.5
C.	JOE YOUNG	EL MONTE.....	6-7	185	Sr.	387-24	16.1
C.	WILLIAM WESTPHAL	AVIATION.....	6-5	170	Sr.	479-23	20.8
G.	ARCHIE NEWTON	OXNARD.....	6-2	170	Sr.	464-27	17.2
G.	SAL RODRIGUEZ	SAN MARGOS.....	5-10	160	Sr.	303-24	12.6
G.	ANDREW BROWN	SAN BERNARDINO...	5-11	180	Sr.	182-13	14.0
G.	CHARLES BROWN	SANTA MARIA.....	6-0	160	Sr.	352-22	16.0

All-Southern California Board of Basketball, which made the above 1962 All-Southern California Basketball Team selections, is composed of the following members:

Ralph Alexander, L.A. Herald-Examiner	Bob Seizer, L.A. Times
Al Ames, Glendale News-Press	Rick Smith, San Diego Tribune
Cliff Gewecke, Hunt. Park Signal	Floyd Schneidermann, Pasadena Star-N.
Jim Guthrie, Ventura Star	John Strey, Whittier News
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Philip Patton, Santa Barbara N-P	Garland Rose, Riverside Press-Ent.
Rich Roberts, San Pedro News-Pilot	Braven Dyer, Jr., Secretary
W.R. Bill Schroeder	-- Chairman

The following players have been selected for Helms Board Player of the Year honors since 1938:

YEAR	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	YEAR	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L
1938	Stuart Lewis.....	Whittier	1951	Ronald Bane.....	Alhambra
1939	Bob Howard.....	Poly, LB	1952	George Selleck..	Compton
1940	Ed Gillean.....	Poly, LB	1953	Bill Bond.....	St. Anthony
1941	Horace Brightman..	Wilson, LB	1954	Larry Hauser....	Mt. Carmel
1942	Irving Noren.....	Pasadena	1955	Fred Crabtree...	Covina
1943	Alan Grimley.....	Glendale	1956	Jerry Pimm.....	Montebello
	Bob Hobbs.....	Orange		Jim Hanna.....	Poly, LB
1944	Robert Robbins...	Poly, LB	1957	George Van Vliet..	Whittier
1945	Richard Barnes...	Hoover, SD		Alvin Claiborne..	Mt. Carmel
1946	Hugh Stewart.....	So. Pasadena	1958	John Rudometkin..	Santa Maria
1947	Houston Faulkner..	Anaheim	1959	Darrell Sutherland..	Glendale
1948	Bob Johnson.....	Whittier	1960	Thomas Doss.....	Glendale
1949	Wayne Kopren.....	Whittier	1961	Fred Goss.....	Compton
1950	Mark Costello....	El Monte	1962	Douglas Bolcom...	Arcadia

The 25th Annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball Awards Program will be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, April 7, at 10:30 a.m. Both players and coaches who distinguished themselves during the 1962 season will receive awards. Noted personalities from the basketball world will be invited to help pay tribute to the honored players.
