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IMPROVED FOOTBALL BEARS FACE TOUGH SCHEDULE

by B.L. Elfring '79

Facing one of the toughest Division 1-AA schedules in the country this fall, head coach Jack Bicknell and his staff greeted 85 football candidates as the University of Maine at Orono Black Bear gridiron squad opened training camp August 20.

With the added dimension of team speed, particularly on the defensive unit, to go along with more size, Bicknell and his staff will be looking to develop quality depth behind Maine's front liners. Injuries to first-string players last season hurt the Bears' chances for a better record.

The backbone of the team this season will be the offensive line, which returns seniors Rick Leonard 6'5", 260-pound tackle; tri-captains Tom Sullivan, a 6-3, 245-pound tackle; and Jon Weed, a 6-0, 255-pound guard; guard Andy Neilson, and center John Morin. Junior Ray Ferretti, a 6-5, 260-pound tackle, and Steve Keating give Bicknell depth, size, and flexibility up front.

Maine's multiple offense will be in the hands of junior quarterback John Tursky, who had a number of nagging injuries last year, but led Maine to late-season wins over Lehigh and Lafayette, and sophomore Peter Ouellette, who will also see action at a number of other positions.

Quality receivers, led by last season's leading pass catcher Pat Madden, along with Rich Camire and Richie Pullen, will provide the Bears with a solid and balanced receiving corps. Tom Torrisi had a great spring practice and should be in the picture, also.

Inexperienced, but talented running backs are one of Bicknell's major concerns. Depleted by graduation and injury losses, veteran Mike Edelstein and fullback Steve McCue will see plenty of action early. A number of outstanding freshmen prospects give Maine the speed that has been missing in the Bears backfield. Lorenzo Bouier, a 6-0, 197-pound tailback with 9.7 speed, Paul Nigro, 6-0, 187-pounder with 4.6 speed in the 40-yard dash, and 6-2, 207-pound fullback Matt Bennett will provide Maine with depth and speed, and could push their way into the starting line-up before season's end.

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Black Bear Football Leaders—Head coach Jack Bicknell stands with 1979 tri-captains (l-r) Jon Weed, Joe Lipinski and Tom Sullivan (kneeling). The Bears open September 8 against Towson State at Alumni Field.

PRES. NEVILLE SCHOLARSHIP

The President Howard R. Neville Scholar Athlete Fund was established in 1979 by alumni and friends. Income from the endowment may be used for annual awards not to exceed \$2,500.00 to scholar athletes who have completed two academic years at the University of Maine at Orono.

Only intercollegiate athletes who have demonstrated above average academic success as well as outstanding athletic leadership in representing the University of Maine at Orono are eligible for these one-year awards. Recipients must qualify for competition under all rules, regulations and policies of the University and its athletic conference affiliations. Awards will be made by the Director of Financial Aid after receiving recommendations from the Director of Athletics and consultations with the chief academic officer of UMO.

FOOTBALL SEASON TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE: \$18

SEASON TICKETS

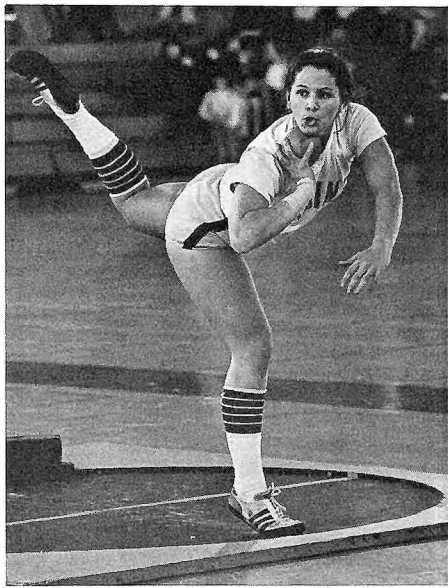
Football	18.00
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All sports	75.00

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Ann Turbyne Points to 1980 Olympic Games

For many people, spending a summer traveling to places like Puerto Rico, Europe, Moscow, and Mexico City is just a dream, but for Ann Turbyne, such a dream came true by throwing a steel ball 55 feet, nine inches during the National AAU meet in May which qualified her for the U.S. Track and Field team.

In Copenhagen August 10, Turbyne added another victory to her impressive list of accomplishments this summer with a throw of 53 feet, four and one-half inches. She traveled to Italy after that for a meet in Pisa, and trained with the West German national team coach prior to her return to the states August 28.

The next step toward a possible spot on the U.S. Olympic team comes September 11 and 12, when Ann joins her teammates for the World University Games in Mexico City to compete in the shot put. Facing some of the best competition in the world, Ann will need a good performance to finish high in the standings.

After seeing a possible berth on the 1976 Olympic team lost when she injured her wrist, Ann has made the long climb back to world prominence. She is the current New England title holder, threw her personal best in the National AAU meet, finished fourth in the Pan-American Games with a toss of 53 feet, eleven and three-quarters inches (two inches behind the third place finisher), competed in the World Festival Games in Moscow in July, has been touring Europe while training and competing, and heads for Mexico City in September. To top all this off, Ann won the National AAU Powerlifting title for women with a combined weight of 1,118 pounds in May.

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PARENTS WEEKEND
SEPTEMBER 28-30
Cent. Conn. at Maine

HERE COMES THE "BIG BLUE TEAM"

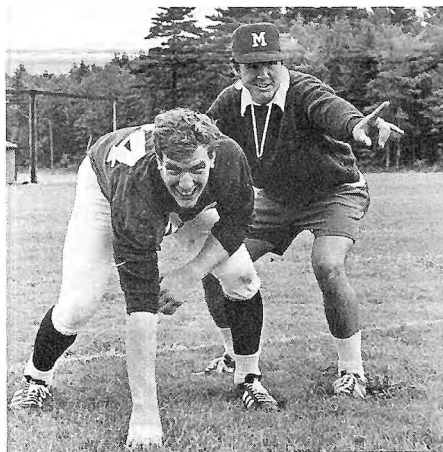
Seeking to increase football season ticket sales by 100% over 1978, a new and innovative organization under the direction of Ticket Manager John McCutcheon was out in force in the Bangor-Orono area promoting the 1979 Black Bear football squad with an attractive season ticket package.

The Big Blue Team, 82 people who have an interest in promoting Maine football and athletics in general, were out in the local area promoting what should prove to be an exciting football team that will face one of the toughest schedules in Black Bear gridiron history.

The season ticket package, which includes a fine bonus package, gets the holder a reserved grand stand seat for the six home games on this year's slate. The bonus package includes one complimentary ticket to the Maine-R.P.I. hockey game January 7, one complimentary pass to the Maine-Biscayne basketball game January 9, and one pass to the December 29 basketball meeting between Maine and Fairleigh-Dickinson, five swimming passes to the Stanley Wallace Pool, and five skating sessions at the Harold Alfond Sports Arena. Total cost of this package is \$18.

"We hope to make this a continuing effort from year to year," reported McCutcheon. Members of the team who sold 10 packages received a Big Blue Team pin, while those who sold 15 packages received a Big Blue Team blazer. Several members of the organization earned their blazers in the first two weeks of sales, and sales were encouraging at press-time.

The group is composed of people who are not necessarily former UMO athletes or alumni, but who have an interest in promoting Black Bear football and athletics at Maine in general. Those who earned their pins and blazers will receive them prior to the Maine-Boston Univ. game Sept. 15.



NEW FACES ON THE GRIDIRION - New offensive line coach Mike Maser gives a few pointers to Roger Lapham, the second-highest scorer in UM basketball annals and a candidate for tight end with one season of eligibility remaining.

FALL TEAMS AWAIT 1979 SEASON OPENERS

Head soccer coach Doug Biggs will open his second season at the helm of the Black Bear booters September 12 at Thomas College in Waterville. Maine must contend with one of the nation's top players in Alex Alves. Maine looks to rebound from a 4-10 season with improved offense.

Maine's cross country team, under coach Jim Ballinger, will run against Rhode Island and host Boston University September 15. The Bears went 11-0 a year ago and will have a tough act to follow.

Coach Skip Chappelle's golf team (5-0 in 1978) will play at the Bowdoin Invitational September 14-15 to begin the fall season, while Brud Folger's tennis team hopes to rebound from a 2-10 record a year ago in its opener at Vermont September 15.

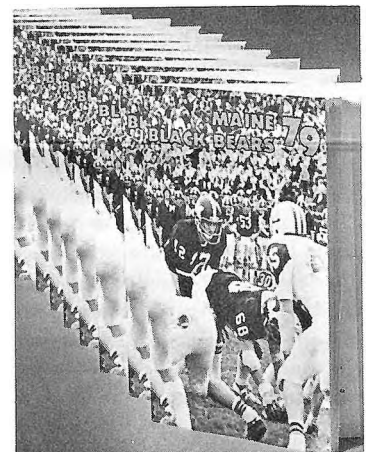
Maine's women's teams seem headed for another sterling fall season. Coach Eilene Fox's tennis team will host Colby College September 14 looking to top the team's 8-3 state title season of 1978.

The field hockey squad looks to better its 4-7-2 record last year when it competes in the UM-Presque Isle Tournament September 8. Coach Deb Davis has several talented veterans, but has an improved schedule of foes.

Coach Janet Anderson's volleyball squad, the defending state champ, will travel to Bates to open the season on September 22. Maine was 20-6 last year and may even fare better this season.

The women's cross country squad opens September 15 at Boston University with hopes of improving its 1978 mark of 3-2. Coach Ballinger has some solid competitors.

NOW ON SALE!



Be sure to get your copy of the 1979 Black Bear Football Yearbook. It's loaded with 64 pages of action photos, player profiles, records, previews, a complete section listing every score and every player that helped make Maine football great. Copies may be picked up at the Athletic Ticket Office or by calling 581-7763. Only \$1.25 for this collector's item.

WINTER ACTION

1979-80 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT
Nov. 28	ST. MARY'S (Exb.)
30	at Alabama
Dec. 3	C.W. POST
5	at East Carolina
8	DELAWARE
10	LONG ISLAND U.
12	at New Hampshire
15	at L.S.U.
29	FAIRLEIGH-DICKINSON
Jan. 3	at Towson State
5	at South Carolina
9	BISCAYNE
12	NORTHEASTERN
15	at Marquette
18	at DePaul
22	at Northeastern
25	VERMONT
26	VERMONT
28	at Eastern Kentucky
Feb. 2	at Siena
5	NEW HAMPSHIRE
7	UNC/WILMINGTON
9	at Baltimore
11	at North Carolina A&T
16	MASSACHUSETTS
20	at Boston University
23	CONNECTICUT

1979-80 HOCKEY SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT
Nov. 9	ST. MARY'S UNIV.
10	ST. MARY'S UNIV.
20	at Boston University
24	NORTHEASTERN
27	BROWN
30	PRINCETON
Dec. 1	VERMONT
6	at Yale
11	at Boston College
15	NEW HAMPSHIRE
21	COLGATE
22	COLGATE
30-31	at Dartmouth Invitational Tournament (Dartmouth, Air Force, Vermont, Maine)
Jan. 5	PROVIDENCE
7	R.P.I.
11-12	at Downeast Classic (Bowdoin, Colby, Merrimack, Maine)
15	at Colby
19	at Dartmouth
23	at Bowdoin
26	at Cornell
31	at Northeastern
Feb. 2	HARVARD
5	at New Hampshire
9	COLBY
13	at Merrimack
19	BOSTON UNIVERSITY
21	BOSTON COLLEGE
25	at Providence
29	at Clarkson
Mar. 1	at St. Lawrence



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TOM WATSON DAY FOR PRESIDENT NEVILLE AIDS BLACK BEAR SCHOLARSHIP FUND

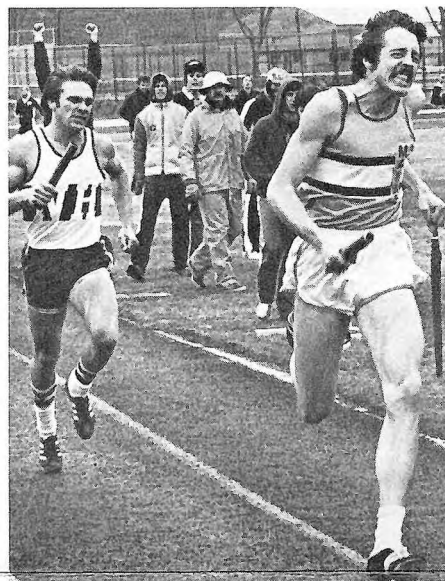
Tom Watson, called by golfing great Jack Nicklaus "the top man in golf today," was the big draw, but the real winners were future Black Bear student-athletes.

"Tom Watson Day" was held June 4 to honor outgoing UMO President Howard R. Neville and raise money for athletic scholarships. Both goals were met and then some as hundreds of Black Bear fans and golfing enthusiasts turned out at the Penobscot Valley Country Club in Orono.

Thirty-two contributors played nine holes in foursomes head-to-head with Watson, the single-season earnings recordholder on the PGA tour. A morning clinic started the day's festivities with Watson making shots that brought the gallery to its feet. Bud Leavitt was the clinic host.

A well-attended luncheon was highlighted by the presentation of several gifts to Dr. Neville and Watson. Director Harold Westerman, on behalf of the UMO department of Physical Education and Athletics, presented Dr. Neville with a clock, while major program contributors Harold Alfond and Donald Corbett presented him with a set of golf clubs. Watson was presented with a framed print depicting 19th century Bangor by the Peirce Gallery of Bangor; a miniature statue of Paul Bunyan by Austin Griffin of the Bangor Chamber of Commerce, a cruising axe by the Snow and Nealley Company of Bangor and a commemorative navy blue UM blazer and a stein by the athletic department. Radio personality George Hale was the luncheon emcee.

The Dexter Shoe Company, in conjunction with UMO, sponsored the memorable event.



George Newton Photo

PHOTO OF THE ISSUE

Maine's Nick Tupper passes New Hampshire's John Demers at the tape to win the 4x440 relay last April in Durham to power the Black Bears to a 79-75 dual meet victory for coach Ed Styrna's thinclads.

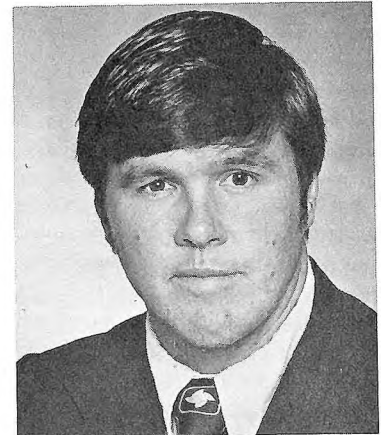
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Maser Named

Michael E. Maser, 32, has been appointed assistant football coach and lecturer in physical education at the University of Maine at Orono, it was announced by Harold Westerman, director of physical education and athletics.

The former offensive coordinator and recruiting coordinator at Bluefield State in West Virginia the past five years joins head coach Jack Bicknell's staff. He will be handling the offensive linemen.

A 1970 graduate of the State University of New York at Buffalo, Maser was assistant offensive line coach at Marshall University (1973-74), line coach at Darien (Conn.) High School in 1970, and assistant offensive line coach at his alma mater (1969-70) prior to his five years at Bluefield State.

While at Buffalo, Maser lettered in football for three years after a brilliant high school career. He was awarded a total of 13 letters in four different sports at Clayton Central High School.

(Football — from p. one)

Only two seniors will likely be in starting positions defensively for the Bears when they open their season September 8 with Towson State. Tri-captain Joe Lipinski, a four-year starter at defensive tackle, will anchor a young, fast and aggressive defensive unit. Junior Andy Landers, 6-4, 250-pounds, will complement Lipinski at the other tackle spot, while the middle guard position has been bolstered by the shift of Ryck Suydam, 6-3, 250 pounds, to that slot.

Seniors Doug Heidt and Bob Linkletter, who returns after missing all of last season with a ruptured Achilles tendon, and sophomore Phil Ferrari give Bicknell three solid defensive ends for the upcoming season.

The linebacking corps will miss Chris Keating, who graduated, but will be in the capable hands of juniors Peter Thiboutot, 6-4, 225-pounds, and Steve Vermette, 6-1, 210-pounds. Quality depth here will be a concern for Bicknell, who lost top back-up Ted Venechanos for this year with an elbow injury.

Four sophomores, all with 4.8-or-better speed in the 40 will be starting in the defensive backfield. Matt Slane, a tough and aggressive strong safety leads this group, which will allow Bicknell to do more things on defense.

Following Towson State, the Bears will jump right into their Yankee Conference schedule, playing five of the next six games against YC foes. Boston University (Sept. 15), New Hampshire (Homecoming, Oct. 13), and Connecticut (Oct. 20) will come to Maine, while Massachusetts (Sept. 22), and Rhode Island (Oct. 6) will host the Bears.

Three straight late-season road trips on consecutive weekends to Lafayette (Oct. 27), Delaware (Nov. 3) and Lehigh (Nov. 10) highlight Maine's non-conference opponents. Towson State, Maine's opener, Central Connecticut (Sept. 29, Parent's Weekend), and the season finale with Northeastern (Nov. 17) round out the Bears' schedule.

1979 Football Schedule

Sept.	8	TOWSON STATE
	15	BOSTON UNIV.*
	22	at Massachusetts*
	29	CENTRAL CONN. (P&F)
Oct.	6	at Rhode Island*
	13	NEW HAMPSHIRE* (HC)
	20	CONNECTICUT*
	27	at Lafayette
Nov.	3	at Delaware
	10	at Lehigh
	17	NORTHEASTERN

*—Yankee Conference games

(Turbyne — from p. two)

Despite all the training and competition, Ann has enjoyed seeing Europe and says it's been quite an experience. Her future plans call for taking a year off from her studies at Maine to train for the Olympic trials on the road to a possible return trip to Moscow in 1980.

1979 FALL SCHEDULES

MEN'S SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Head Coach: Jack Bicknell

Sept.	8	Towson State	1:30
	15	BU	1:30
	22	at Massachusetts	1:30
	29	Cent. Conn.	1:30
Oct.	6	at Rhode Island	1:30
	13	New Hampshire	1:30
	20	Connecticut	1:30
	27	at Lafayette	1:30
Nov.	3	at Delaware	1:30
	10	at Lehigh	1:00
	17	Northeastern	1:30

CROSS COUNTRY

Head Coach: Jim Ballinger

Sept.	15	at BU/RI	12:00
	22	at Bowdoin	12:00
	29	at UMPI Invt.	1:45
Oct.	3	Bates	3:30
	6	at Vermont	1:00
	12	New Hampshire	2:30
	20	at Yankee Conf.	TBA
Nov.	3	at New Englands	TBA
	11	at NCAA Regionals	TBA

SOCCER

Head Coach: Doug Biggs

Sept.	12	at Thomas	3:00
	15	at BU	10:00
	22	at Rhode Island	10:30
	26	Bates	2:30
	29	Massachusetts	10:00
Oct.	2	at Colby	3:00
	6	So. Connecticut	10:00
	9	Colby	2:30
	12	New Hampshire	2:30
	15	Bridgeport	2:30
	17	at Husson	3:00
	20	Connecticut	10:00
	24	at Bowdoin	3:15
	27	at Vermont	1:00

GOLF

Head Coach: Tom "Skip" Chappelle

Sept.	14-15	at Bowdoin Invt.	1:00
	17	at Yankee Conf.	10:00
	20	Husson	1:00
	24-25	at New Englands	8:00

TENNIS

Head Coach: Brud Folger

Sept.	15	at Vermont	1:00
	22	at New Hampshire	2:00
	28	at Brandeis	3:00
	29	at Salem State	11:00
Oct.	11	BU	3:00
	12-13	Yankee Conf.	9:30

WOMEN'S SPORTS

FIELD HOCKEY

Head Coach: Deb Davis

Sept.	8	at UMPI Tournament	
	17	at Southern Maine	3:00
	21	at Vermont	3:00
	22	at McGill	4:00
	26	at UMF (2)	3:00
	29	at Colby (2)	12:00 & 2:00
Oct.	2	New Brunswick	3:00
	3	at UMPI	3:30
	10	Bates	3:00
	12	UMF (2)	11:00
	15	UMPI	3:00
	19	at Plymouth (2)	1:00
	22	at Bowdoin	1:00
	26-27	at Bowdoin, States	

TENNIS

Head Coach: Eilene Fox

Sept.	14	Colby	3:00
	17	at Southern Maine	3:00
	21	at Vermont	3:30
	22	at McGill	2:00
	25	at Colby	3:30
Oct.	3	at UMPI	3:30
	10	Bates	3:30
	15	UMPI	3:30
	19-20	at Amherst, New Englands	
	24	at Bowdoin	3:00
	27	at Bates, States	

VOLLEYBALL

Head Coach: Janet Anderson

Sept.	22	at Bates	3:30
	29	UMO. Tourney	TBA
Oct.	3	at UMPI	3:00
	5	Vermont, UMPI	6:00
	10	Bates	3:30
	15	UMPI	3:30
	20	New Hampshire, UMPI, Mass. Bay, Moncton	1:00
Nov.	2-3	at Rhode Island Tourney	
	9-10	Southern Maine, States	

CROSS COUNTRY

Head Coach: Jim Ballinger

Sept.	15	at BU	1:00
	22	at Bowdoin	1:00
Oct.	3	Bates	3:30
	9	Colby	3:00
	13	New Hampshire	12:00
	16	Vermont	3:00
	20	at New Englands, Burlington	
	27	at Colby, States	

HOMECOMING WEEKEND

October 12-14, N.H. at Maine, 1:30