

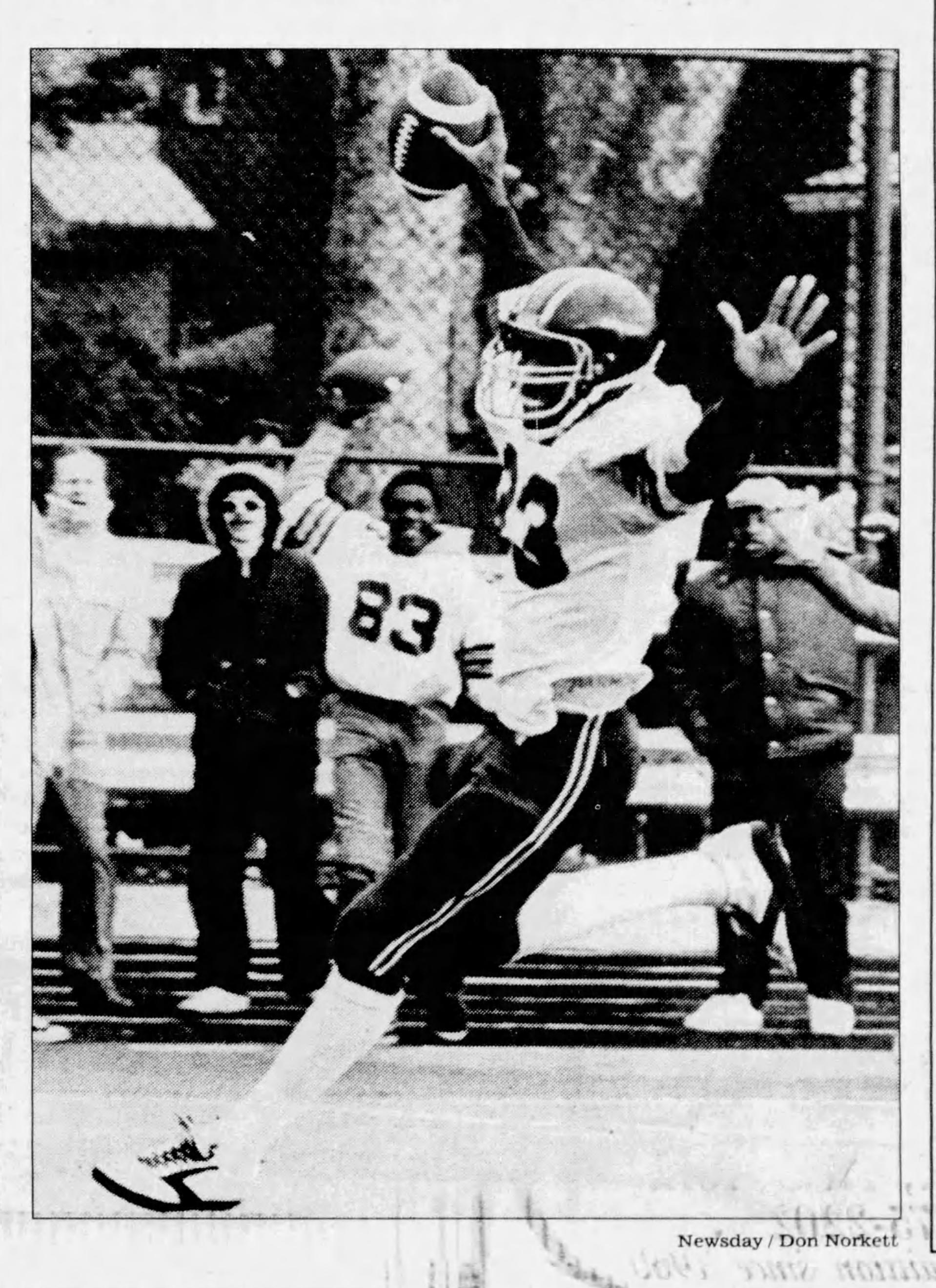
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Scenes From the '80s

The '80s brought a harvest of athletes who honed their game in Queens and went on to the big leagues. Mark Jackson, the Knicks guard, wore No. 33 for the Lions of Loughlin, above. Ken Smith of Molloy (now with the Sacramento Kings) slips past the Knick-to-be during a game in '82. At right, Ronnie Harmon of Bayside High celebrates a second-quarter score against Lincolin in the '81 PSAL Championship. Harmon now holds a spot in the backfield of the Buffalo Bills. Below, Mike Windischmann of Edison scrimmages with teammate Paul Beresford in '82. Windischmann is now captain of the U.S. soccer team that qualified for the World Cup.



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NOTEBOOK

PSAL Standings Tight, Tangled

By Roxanne B. Moses

All through November, you wait for it to happen. You watch the calendar, waiting for that second week in December to come, and then, in the blink of an eye, the opening round of the PSAL boys basketball season is over and you've barely had a chance to assess what happened.

So, while the various teams are off at holiday tournaments and on break, the PSAL basketball fan can use this time to regroup, before it's time to strap on the seat belt for the rest of the season.

The basic scenario is complicated, yet at the same time simple: in Queens I, there is one team in first place; in Queens II, there are two; and in Queens III, three teams are tied for the lead.

Long Island City (4-0) has eased to the top of Queens I on the play of 6-foot senior guard Dudridge Bourne, who is averaging 25 points a game.

LIC plays host to Bowne (3-1) on Jan. 10, and plays at Forest Hills on Feb. 1.

Jackson's Hickories, 3-0 in Queens II, are averaging 80 points a game, and are led by impressive 6-6 junior center Crafton Ferguson, who is averaging 26 points.

Beach Channel, tied with Jackson, has relied on 6-51/2 senior forward Germaine Evans, who is averaging 17 points a game.

But more surprising than Beach Channel's rise to the top was the disappearance of August Martin (0-3), which reached the PSAL quarterfinals last season. The Skyriders reflect the struggles of 7-foot senior center Stanley King, who has yet to make an offensive impression.

Beach Channel and Jackson, however, also must contend with Adams (3-1), its only blemish a 77-69 loss to Far Rockaway (2-1). Beach Channel will play Jackson at home on Jan. 10.

The three teams tied for first place in Queens III, with 3-1 records, are Cardozo, Jamaica, and Springfield Gardens. Jamaica's loss was to Cardozo, 92-77, on Dec. 15. Cardozo's one loss was to Springfield, 71-68, on Dec. 19. And, on Dec. 21, Springfield fell, 89-79 to Jamaica.

Cardozo and Springfield are each led by seniors with the initials R.O. For Cardozo, it's Roheen Oats, a 6-6 forward averaging 29 points a game. Springfield's leader is 6-5 guard Ryan Oliver, who is averaging 32 points, including 38 in the win over Cardozo at Madison Square Garden.

Jamaica's balanced offense features a three-guard attack led by 5-7 senior Kevin Fulton, who is averaging 20 points per game. Cardozo visits Jamaica on Jan. 19, Springfield visits Cardozo on Jan. 30, and on Feb.1, Jamaica travels to Springfield.

With 6-3 senior guard Khalid Reeves averaging 29 points per league game, Christ the King (4-0) is clearly in command of the CHSAA's Queens division. Molloy (3-1), in the post-Kenny Anderson era is holding its own. It's one loss was to Christ the King, 63-61 on Dec. 12. Holy Cross and McClancy, both 2-2, are tied for third and St. Francis Prep (1-3) and St. John's Prep (0-4) round out the league.