For the next two weeks, MIT sports take a back seat to the development of the baseball team in the World Series. Even the most diligent tools at the Institute can be found gathered around TV sets, watching the American Mets go across the way. If the Orioles (or Twins or Braves) will end THE impossible dream. And with the advent of the “championship playoff”, with championship ticket prices for the post-season baseball should be unparalleled in fan interest and excitement.

This Saturday, the League of Watching two of the most well-balanced teams in the game. Baltimore, while winning their division by a staggering 11 games, combine solid hitting, with pitchers led by Mike Cuellar, Dave McNally and Jim Perry. Houston leads the National League in hitting, with a core of sluggers, including Pete Rose, Charlie Moore and Leon Wagner. Milwaukee has a young pitcher in Wally Yatsko, who has dominated the league in the last two months.

The real battle will be between Kibbell and Powell. Either batter can carry his team to victory, and a hot series for either man will decide the outcome.

The National League draws the center of attention as a well-balanced Atlanta Braves team is favored to dispose of the Mets. Atlanta has Hank Aaron and Rico Carty and Felipe Alou and Orlando Cepeda, but the Mets have two young pitchers named Seaver and Koosman. The Tom and Jerry show was a top attendance draw of the season.

Five years ago, in his most brilliant act in office, Commissioner A. Bartlett Giamatti picked the Mets out of a hat and gave USC star Tom Seaver a New York contract. A mid-season acquisition by the expansion team, Seaver has become the best young pitcher in the game today. His twenty-five wins and 2.13 earned run average give him a lock on this year's NL Cy Young Award, and a good chance at MVP.

A year after Eckert's big pick, a Shea Stadium usher inquired Erwin Shorr of URI 6-4, and played very aggressively in the match. McKenney got the call as the Ram foe. The two players had competed last year in the number three slot, and fell 6-3, 6-1 to Connerton. Shorr had a strong net game, but he was no match for Bartlett.

A varsity racquetman slams a hard fast volley as the match was called due to darkness. Bill Nesbitt of URI took over to blank Rapely for the win. Smith approached a bottom stump of the seventh hole. However, a spectacular back nine of three consecutive birdies by Sheehan on the last three holes was not to be. At six, Skip Perkins '70 defeated Steve Kavanagh of St. Anselms four up. But Stan Papa of New Haven defeated the engineer three up with a fine round of 74, Anderson, who shot an 81, felt the effects of the layup as the engine was off his game.

Light shots at 76.

In the third position John Light '69 had a fine day as he played seven-under par 65 and shot 76. Still it was only good enough to take the match from his opponent from St. Anselms. His foe from the Newton State put up a struggle. But Papa, who played in the fall opener on Tuesday. The team will host CCNY this weekend.

By Ray Kwanick

The baseball team returned to the field on Wednesday, October 3rd, after the loss of four of last year's top players to graduation and transferring. The return of Skip Perkins, at end of a 5%-3% decision to the University of Rhode Island, Wednesday. It was the first time MIT had ever lost to the Rams in tennis, and Perkins who won even their record when they host Tufts this afternoon at 3:00 p.m.

With Skip Brockfield, Bob Metcalf, and Tom Stewart all graduated, and the transfer of Steve O'Brien to UCLA, McKenney '70 got the call as the number one seeding. McKenney came through with a 3-1, win over URI's Andy Yosinoff. Yosinoff was a consistent court player, and showed well and powerful forehand strokes, but he was no match for the style of McKenney.

Playing at the number two position Manny Weiss '70 conjugated with Kent Shorr of URI 6-4, Shorr had a strong net game and played aggressively, trying to take full advantage of his assets. However, Weiss adjusted to Kent's style of net play, and with a good backhand, job and passing shot to overcome Ram's court.

Joe Baron '70 faced Tad Conner in the number three slot, and found 6-2 to Connerton. McKenney had finished second to Connerton in last year's brandice tournament. In this match Baron's lack of control led to his downfall.

Sudden Smith '70 won the third position, coming back over Dave Rapely. Smith appeared to be coasting to an easy victory after breaking an 0-3 lead. Rapely took the first set and grabbing a 3-0 lead. Smith'sMiscellaneous thoughts. Smith just had to hold his serve to put the match away. Smith served to up 6-1, Rapely took six straight games, however, Smith caught himself in time and went on to blank Rapely for the win.

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The first golf match of the fall season came a bit too early for MIT's varsity golfers as they lost to both St. Anselms 4-3 and New Haven 6-1 in a tri-corner contest on Tuesday. The combination of the late starting date of the MIT-year, rush week, and a summer layoff added up to little practice time and a poor start. The golfers travel to the University of Pennsylvania for their final contest this weekend.

With a strong nucleus from last year's varsity, the team has gained in experience and knowledge of the game. Baltimore, while a well-balanced team, has only two players to graduation and two RBIs. This all adds up to a great deal of confidence that the MIT baseball team will live up to its very favorable pre-season forecasts.

The next test comes in the form of a weekend series with the City College of New York. The two game set will consist of a 2 P.M. game this Saturday, and a Noon game on Sunday.