

Surprise starter ends Harrison's tourney hopes

Plymouth Canton junior Brian James wasn't even scheduled to pitch Saturday afternoon, and as it turned out, Farmington Harrison wished he never appeared on the mound.

James, who was a surprise starter in place of Scott Dawson, outdueling Hawk ace Mark Recker, handcuffing Harrison with a two-hitter enroute to a 3-1 pre-district victory at Farmington.

The triumph advances the ranked Chiefs to the Southfield District next Saturday when state tournament action continues.

Dawson was scheduled to hurt for the Chiefs but was forced to play first base in a last minute move when sophomore first-sacker Dave Meador developed stiffness in his shoulder.

The unexpected starting assignment didn't bother James, however, as he went the distance for his seventh vic-

tory against only one defeat. He struck out eight and walked three.

The pre-district battle was similar to the previous two games between these Western Six League rivals, as lowing scoring and defense dominated the action. Canton won the two league games by scores of 4-1 and 3-1.

The Chiefs struck first, scoring three runs in the initial inning—thanks to two costly Hawk errors.

Scott Collins led off the game with a walk. The All-state shortstop moved to second base when Jeff Campbell's punt resulted in Recker throwing wild to second base.

Dawson and Russ Mandt both struck out. Recker looked like he was out of the inning when Doug Smith hit a fly ball to rightfield. But Harrison's Fred Blackmer misjudged the ball and it bounced off the heel of his mitt,

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allowing both Collins and Campbell to score.

Smith went to second base on the error, and sophomore Al Lipinski singled him home for the third run of the inning.

As it turned out, that's all the Chiefs needed, as James was nearly perfect

in mowing down the Hawk batters.

Harrison scored its lone run in the second inning when Kevin Collar was safe on Collins' error. He stole second base and scored on a single by designated hitter Craig Edwards.

That was the only damage off James, as the junior righthander

never allowed a runner past second base the rest of the game.

Recker pitched a good game, as well, limiting the Chiefs to four hits. He struck out eight but walked six batters in going the distance.

Harrison finishes its season with a 14-7 record, while the Western-6 champion Chiefs keep rolling with a 19-3 mark.

FARMINGTON — STEVENSON

Farmington-High won its second-straight Inter Lakes League baseball title last Wednesday by defeating Livonia Stevenson, 2-1, in the Falcons' ILL finale. Farmington finished at 8-2 in the league, and Stevenson posted a 6-3 record.

Winning pitcher Kevin Delp, a senior right hander, logged his eighth-straight victory, allowing three hits,

fanning 11, walking none and hitting one batter. Delp helped his cause at the plate, going two for three.

Farmington scored the winning run in the sixth inning. Delp singled and took second on Hal McLean's sacrifice and then scored on a wild pitch. Joe Hauska had two hits in three trips for Farmington, which has a 12-6 overall record.

N. FARMINGTON — FARMINGTON Farmington-High can claim the Inter Lakes League title, but it won't be able to boast city supremacy in baseball after its 6-2 loss to North Farmington last Thursday.

Winning pitcher Jeff Thomas (5-1) went the distance, giving up four hits, striking out six and walking none. Losing pitcher Craig Misch worked the first 5 1/2 innings, allowing five hits and striking out six.

Franklin wins NSL title

North 2d in league

Rolling up the points in the field events and setting the pace in all three relays helped provide a comfortable winning cushion for Livonia Franklin last week at the Northwest Suburban League boys' track meet.

The Patriots successfully defended their championship by scoring 94 points. North Farmington followed with 71. West (John Glenn 47; Garden City East 25 and Redford Thurston 18).

"We had done so well in the field events and it was going to be a struggle for anyone to catch us," said Franklin coach Bob Holmes. "It was just a real solid team performance. Everyone seemed to do their best."

Bruce DeNapoli and Dave Kmet, both Franklin pole vaulters, cleared 12 feet six inches to share top honors in their specialty.

Don Boka propelled the shot put 50 feet three inches and Dave Bowen long jumped 20 feet six inches. Bowen also prevailed in the 220- and 440-yard dashes with respective times of 2:27 and 5:0.5 seconds.

Franklin's Jerry Cifer, Keith Klina,

Andy Dankovic and Paul Berry won the 440-yard relay, 44.8 seconds, and Jeff Williams, Nate Keane, Phil Frusti and Berry won the 880-yard relay, 1:32.6.

The Patriots' victorious mile relay crew included Bill Flannigan, Mark Oleksi, Kean and Frusti. Their time was 3:27.6.

North Farmington finished first in two field events and three track events.

Mark Biehl hurled the discus 156 feet, seven inches and Rob Henderhan high jumped six feet four inches.

Mike Miller completed the low hurdles in 38.1 seconds. Art Doran negotiated the high hurdles in 1:57.3 and Jeff Cohen ran the 100-yard dash in 10.3 seconds.

Glenn had a pair of league titlits. Randy Gabrys broke the tape in the 880-yard run with a clocking of 1:57.3 and Cory Gielinski won the mile with a time of 4:27.5.

East's only victor was Jeff Perrine, who covered two miles in 9:31.6. New conference records were set in the discus, two mile and low hurdles.

NORTHWEST SUBURBAN LEAGUE MEET BOYS' COMPETITION

Team Finish
1 Livonia Franklin, 94 points; 2 North Farmington, 71; 3 Westland John Glenn, 47; 4 Garden City East, 25; 5 Redford Thurston, 18.

Finish by Event
Discus—1 Biehl (NF) 156; 2 Boka (F) 3; 3 Korym (H) 3; 4 Flannigan (G) 184.7.
Shot put—1 Boka (F) 50; 2 Flannigan (G) 3; 3 Korym (H) 3; 4 Flannigan (G) 184.7.
Pole vault—1 (TIE) DeNapoli and Kmet (F) 3; 2 McDonald (F) 3; 3 Miller (NF) 3; 4 Burton (NF) 124.
Long jump—1 Bowen (F) 50; 2 O'Connell (F) 3; 3 Doran (NF) 4; 4 Bowley (G) 3; 5 Henderhan (NF) 28.4.
High jump—1 Henderhan (NF) 3; 2 Bowley (NF) 3; 3 Jennings (G) 4; 4 Langford (G) 3; 5 Bradford (F) 4.
Two mile—1 Perrine (G) 3; 2 Reynolds (F) 3; 3 Stephens (G) 4; 4 Henderhan (F) 3; 5 Stump (NF) 3:16.
Mile—1 Miller (NF) 3; 2 Kmet (F) 3; 3 Daskovic (F) 4; 4 Burton (NF) 3; 5 Smith (F) 3:41.
880-yard relay—1 Franklin 1:32.6; 2 N. Farmington 3; 3 Garden City 4; 4 Thurston 1:38.
440-yard relay—1 Gabrys (G) 3; 2 Phillips (G) 3; 3 Cohen (G) 4; 4 Johnson (G) 3; 5 Gielinski (F) 3:18.
100-yard dash—1 Cohen (F) 3; 2 Miller (NF) 3; 3 Gielinski (G) 4; 4 Doran (NF) 3; 5 Thurston (G) 10.8.
High hurdles—1 Doran (NF) 3; 2 Kmet (F) 3; 3 Daskovic (F) 4; 4 Jennings 3; 5 Burton (NF) 38.1.
Low hurdles—1 Miller (NF) 3; 2 Doran (NF) 3; 3 Flannigan (F) 4; 4 Lash (NF) 3; 5 Keane (F) 38.1.
Mile—1 Gielinski (G) 3; 2 Reynolds (F) 3; 3 Barber (G) 4; 4 White (NF) 3; 5 Phillips (G) 4:27.5.
440-yard relay—1 Franklin 1:32.6; 2 Garden City 3; 3 N. Farmington 3; 4 Thurston 1:38.
880-yard dash—1 Bowen (F) 3; 2 Cohen (NF) 3; 3 Miller (NF) 4; 4 Burton (G) 3; 5 Williams (F) 1:57.3.
Mile relay—1 Franklin 3:27.6; 2 N. Farmington 3; 3 Garden City 4; 4 Thurston 3:37.6.

Farmington 3d in ILL

Pontiac Northern's three-year reign as Inter-Lakes League boys' track champion came to an end last week when Livonia Stevenson, undefeated in duals this season, finished first at the league meet.

The Spartans tallied 114 points, 31 1/2 more than Northern, the runner-up this year. Host Farmington placed third, 58, and was trailed by Milford Lakeland, Walled Lake Central and Waterford, respectively.

Stevenson finished first in six of the 14 events.

David Hall, only a sophomore, established a new league and school record by clearing six feet seven inches in the high jump.

Rob Jurczynski bested all comers with the discus, 154 feet 8 1/2 inches. Scott Hauser set the pace in the 880-yard run, 2:00.1. Mike Wheeler prevailed in the 440-yard dash, 51.4 seconds, and Brian Bowley triumphed in the high hurdles, 1:51.1 seconds.

Stevenson also won the mile relay in 3:30.5 with the crew of Rick Arnold, Terry Winter, Dave Groh and Wheeler.

Harold Rutla, from Farmington, was one of two individual double winners during the competition. He com-

pleted the mile in 4:28.0 and the two mile in 9:45.6.

Farmington's distance men finished one-two-three in the two mile, as Paul McKinnon and Hugh Leidelein placed second and third, respectively.

Darryl Harper, from Pontiac Northern, was the other trackman with a pair of individual victories. He long jumped 21 feet six inches and sprinted to victory in the 100-yard dash in 10.5 seconds.

"It was a very nice ending for a season," said Stevenson coach Paul Holmberg, whose charges lost only one non-league dual meet during the spring. The Spartans were 5-0 against conference foes.

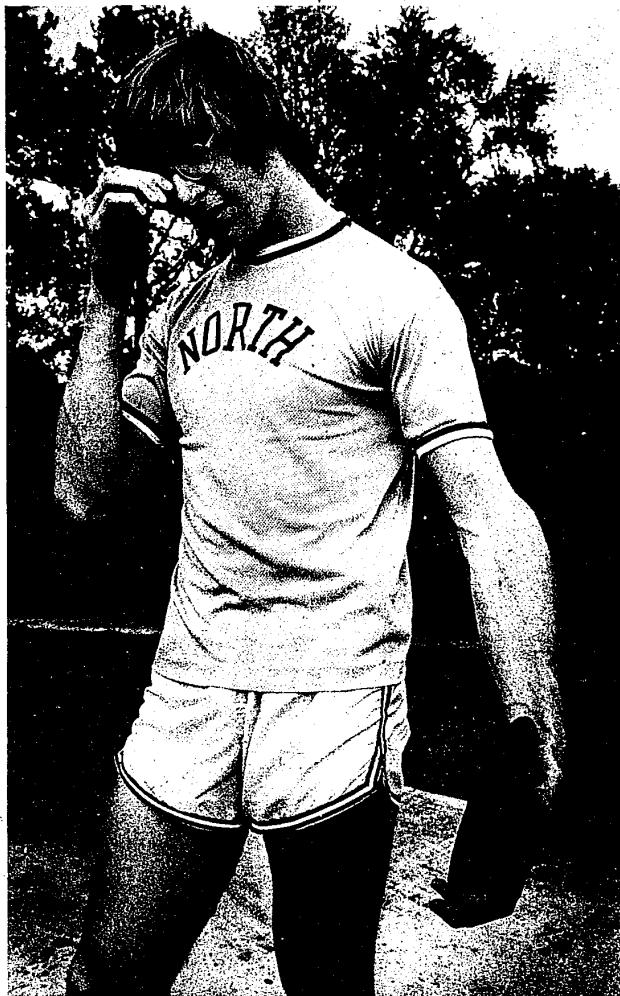
"I thought we had to get in front in the field events and needed a 15-20 point cushion to hold off Northern. The kids went wild in the field events with lots of personal bests," Holmberg continued.

"Things just sort of fell into place in the field events and besides the low hurdles (Bill Baker fell over the last hurdle and finished fifth), we did as well as we could have hoped for."

INTER-LAKES LEAGUE MEET BOYS' COMPETITION

Team Finish
1 Livonia Stevenson, 114 points; 2 Pontiac Northern, 82 1/2; 3 Farmington, 58; 4 Milford Lakeland, 41; 5 Walled Lake Central, 30; 6 Waterford, 19.

Finish by Event
Discus—1 Jurczynski (Stev) 154; 2 Barber (Lake) 3; 3 Back (Farm) 4; 4 Water (Stev) 3; 5 Brown (Water) 3.
Shot put—1 Harper (PN) 21; 2 Lash (Stev) 3; 3 Back (Farm) 4; 4 Turner (WL) 3; 5 Burton (Lake) 3.
Long jump—1 Harper (PN) 21; 2 Lash (Stev) 3; 3 Back (Farm) 4; 4 Turner (WL) 3; 5 Burton (Lake) 3.
High jump—1 Hall (Stev) 6; 2 Bowley (Stev) 3; 3 Harrington (WL) 4; 4 (TIE) Wilson (PN) 3; 5 McKinnon (Farm), Leidelein (Farm) and LaFond (Water) 6.7.
100-yard dash—1 Harper (PN) 10.5; 2 Jones (Lake) 4; 3 Spivey (Stev) 3; 4 Kopy (WL) 3; 5 Back (Farm) 10.6.
Pole vault—1 Conzett (Lake) 3; 2 Branchina (Farm) 3; 3 Kinsey 4; 4 Van Hornet (Lake) 3; 5 Wallis (Lake) 3; 6 Truhy (Stev) 3.6.
Two mile—1 Rutla (Farm) 3; 2 McKinnon (Farm) 3; 3 Lash (Stev) 4; 4 Johnson (WL) 3; 5 Gielinski (G) 4; 6 Hicks (Lake) 9:58.
Mile—1 Rutla (Farm) 3; 2 McKinnon (Farm) 3; 3 Lash (Stev) 4; 4 Johnson (WL) 3; 5 Gielinski (G) 4; 6 Hicks (Lake) 9:58.
Low hurdles—1 Lash (Stev) 3; 2 Quisenberry (PN) 3; 3 Lash (Stev) 4; 4 Bowley (Stev) 3; 5 Baker (Stev) 4; 6 Arnold (Stev) 38.1.
880-yard relay—1 Stevenson 1:57.3; 2 Farm 3; 3 Farm 4; 4 Lake 3; 5 WL 3:27.
Mile relay—1 Harper (PN) 3; 2 Kinley (PN) 3; 3 Smith (Lake) 4; 4 Harrington (WL) 3; 5 Campbell (Lake) 3; 6 Camp (Farm) 3:30.5.
440-yard dash—1 Harper (PN) 3; 2 Quisenberry (PN) 3; 3 Ford (Stev) 4; 4 Burton (Lake) 3; 5 Tallante (Stev) 3; 6 George (Lake) 51.4.
High hurdles—1 Bowley (Stev) 3; 2 Lash (Stev) 3; 3 Quisenberry (PN) 3; 4 Quisenberry (PN) 3; 5 Rogers (PN) 3; 6 Baker (Stev) 3; 7 Kinley (PN) 3; 8 Piatkowski (WL) 3; 9 McKinnon (Farm) 3; 10 Gielinski (G) 3; 11 Leidelein (Farm) 3; 12 Burke (Stev) 1:51.1.
440-yard relay—1 PN 3; 2 Stevens 3; 3 Lake 3; 4 Water 3; 5 WL 3:27.
880-yard dash—1 Quisenberry (PN) 3; 2 Holt (PN) 3; 3 Burton (Lake) 4; 4 Adams (Farm) 3; 5 Baker (Stev) 3; 6 Farm 3; 7 Lake 3; 8 Farm 3; 9 Lake 3; 10 Farm 3; 11 Lake 3; 12 Farm 3.
Mile relay—1 Stevens 3; 2 PN 3; 3 Lake 3; 4 Farm 3; 5 WL 3:30.5.



North's Mark Biehl set a league record in the discus in the NSL meet. (Staff photo by Bob Woodring)

Lathrup girls finish second in MSA finals

Southfield-Lathrup's girls' track team finished second with 51 1/2 team points in the Metro Suburban Association conference meet last Wednesday at Bloomfield Hills Lahser. Royal Oak Dondoro won the league title and finished first in the league meet with 128 points.

Lathrup's trackmen finished fourth with 35 points in the MSA boys' league meet, held concurrently with the girls'. Dondoro also won the girls' meet, scoring 105 points.

In the girls' meet, Lathrup's Kim Rosensteel took first in the high jump with a 5-1 effort, and also ran on the Chargers' mile relay (with Chris

Thomas, Bridgit Mullane and Ronda Finkelstein), which finished second in 4:16.3.

Finkelstein also finished second in the 880-yard run (2:28.0), and the 440 dash (1:41.4). Teammate Ann Griffin finished second in the discus. Marilyn Howe and Thomas finished fifth and sixth, respectively, in the same event.

Lathrup also scored points in the mile and two mile, where Shari Russell finished fourth (12:38.7) and fifth (5:49.5).

"I thought our second-place finish was fantastic," said Lathrup coach Ruth Hetherington. "I knew we could never touch Dondoro, and I didn't think we would score as many points

as we did. But our girls ran some fantastic times."

IN THE BOYS' meet, Lathrup's best finish came from junior Jeff Goforth, who took first in the 330-yard low hurdles with a time of :39.1. Goforth finished fourth in the high hurdles with a time of :16.5.

Lathrup got a second from Greg Symons (1:2.2) in the pole vault, and third places from Craig Bowley (5-2 in the high jump), Dave Foley (10:08.5 in the two mile), and Andy Krafsur (4:29.9 in the mile).

Lathrup's 880 relay (Joe Sullivan, Symons, Dave Work and Bill Dunn) finished fourth in 1:34.2, and the Chargers' mile relay (Sullivan, Dunn, John Alexander and Goforth) took fourth in 3:32.2. The 440 relay (Symons, Ken Kolpus, Neal Alpher and Chris Vogele) landed sixth in 1:05.5.

"We were pleased with the fourth place," said Lathrup boys' coach Jerry Minewasser. "Everybody, right on down the line, had their best times of the year."

Host Lahser finished second to Dondoro with 82 points, but the Knights established one league record and tied two others. Lahser established a league standard in the 440 relay. The team (Bob Hahn, John Palmer, Chris Prowse and Roger Pickens) went :44.2. Lahser tied league marks in the 880 relay (1:30.0) and the high jump (Doug Freidley (5-3).



Lathrup's Ronda Finkelstein (right) congratulates teammate Kim Rosensteel after a recent 440-yard dash. (Staff photo by Gary Friedman)

MSA meet summaries

METRO SUBURBAN ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION GIRLS' TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS
Team Scores: 1. Royal Oak Dondoro 128; 2. Southfield-Lathrup 51 1/2; 3. Birmingham Groves 31; 4. Bloomfield Hills Lahser 26; 5. Rochester Adams 21; 6. Troy Adams 19.
Shot Put: Kim Rosensteel (Lathrup) 34.7; Lisa Shawy (Lathrup) 29.4; Theresa Hicks (Dondoro) 23.
High Jump: Kim Rosensteel (Lathrup) 5-1; Mary Beth Duda (Lathrup) 4-8; Sue Kaller (Dondoro) 4-6.
Discus: Theresa Hicks (Dondoro) 114.4; Ann Griffin (Lathrup) 86.1; Mary Baker (Lathrup) 86.1.
Two Mile: Shari Russell (Lathrup) 11:38.7; Karen Curtis (Adams) 11:31.1; Cindy Bjornberg (Dondoro) 11:24.5.
880-Yard Relay: Dondoro 1:57.3 (Cheryl Gull, Cathy Gull, Cathy Gull, Cathy Gull); Groves 1:58.2; Lathrup 1:58.2.
440-Yard Relay: Dondoro 1:34.2 (John Palmer, Chris Prowse, Roger Pickens, Bob Hahn); Lahser 1:34.2; Lathrup 1:34.2.
Mile Relay: Dondoro 3:30.5 (John Palmer, Chris Prowse, Roger Pickens, Bob Hahn); Lahser 3:30.5; Lathrup 3:30.5.
Long Jump: Beth Schickmeyer (Dondoro) 5-3.

74; Liz Kretschmer (Lahser) 17-3; Virginia Bole (Dondoro) 16.2.
100-Yard Dash: Beth Schickmeyer (Dondoro) 11.8; Ann Kaller (Groves) 11.8; Cathy Gull (Dondoro) 11.8.
110-Yard Hurdles: Mary Beth Duda (Dondoro) 11.8; Valerie Bjornberg (Dondoro) 11.8; Bridgit Finkelstein (Lathrup) 11.8.
440-Yard Dash: Liz Kretschmer (Lahser) 1:12; Sue Evans (Lathrup) 1:14; Rhonda Finkelstein (Lathrup) 1:14.
Mile Relay: Dondoro 3:30.5 (Cheryl Gull, Cathy Gull, Cathy Gull, Cathy Gull); Groves 3:30.5; Lathrup 3:30.5.
880-Yard Relay: Dondoro 1:57.3 (Cheryl Gull, Cathy Gull, Cathy Gull, Cathy Gull); Groves 1:58.2; Lathrup 1:58.2.
440-Yard Relay: Dondoro 1:34.2 (John Palmer, Chris Prowse, Roger Pickens, Bob Hahn); Lahser 1:34.2; Lathrup 1:34.2.
Mile Relay: Dondoro 3:30.5 (John Palmer, Chris Prowse, Roger Pickens, Bob Hahn); Lahser 3:30.5; Lathrup 3:30.5.
Long Jump: Beth Schickmeyer (Dondoro) 5-3.