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Nutter scores 3 TDs as North rips Falcons

By C.J. RISAK

Rich Nutter rambled for 217 yards and scored three touchdowns to lead North Farmington past Farmington 27-0 last Saturday.

North dominated from the start on Farmington's home field. Nutter rushed for 101 yards in the opening quarter and scored on runs of 38 and 35

yards. The Raiders totaled 371 yards on the ground and were forced to punt only once.

"He makes a big difference in our ball club," North coach Ron Holland said of the 6-foot, 200-pound Nutter. "He has the ability to run over people and by people."

The senior tailback got rolling quickly against the Falcons, scoring on

North's second play from scrimmage. Farmington's Dave Hall shanked a punt for seven yards to give the Raiders possession at the Falcon 42-yard line.

Nutter gained four yards on his first carry before ripping through the Farmington defense 38 yards for the touchdown. North lined up in a strange alignment for a two-point conversion attempt and were called for illegal procedure.

Nutter's placement, from five yards further away, was wide, limiting North to a 6-0 lead.

Farmington's offense failed to get in gear for most of the game. The Falcons accumulated 174 yards on the ground, but were crippled by a lackluster passing game. Quarterbacks Dave Schultz and Mark Sardo combined to complete only one of 13 passes and were intercepted twice.

GREG GOLDSTEIN came up with the first theft at the North 16. From there, the Raiders started the first of their three long scoring drives, going 84 yards in seven plays.

Goldstein and Nutter split the rushing assignments during the march. Nutter carried the ball five times for 59 yards and quarterback Goldstein netted 25 yards on two attempts. Nutter's final try covered 35 yards and accounted for the Raiders' second score.

Nutter booted the extra point and North had a 13-0 lead with four minutes still remaining in the first quarter.

Dale Slueter's fumble ended North's next drive at the Farmington 45. The Falcons responded by marching to the North 23, but could penetrate no further as Schultz's fourth down pass fell incomplete.

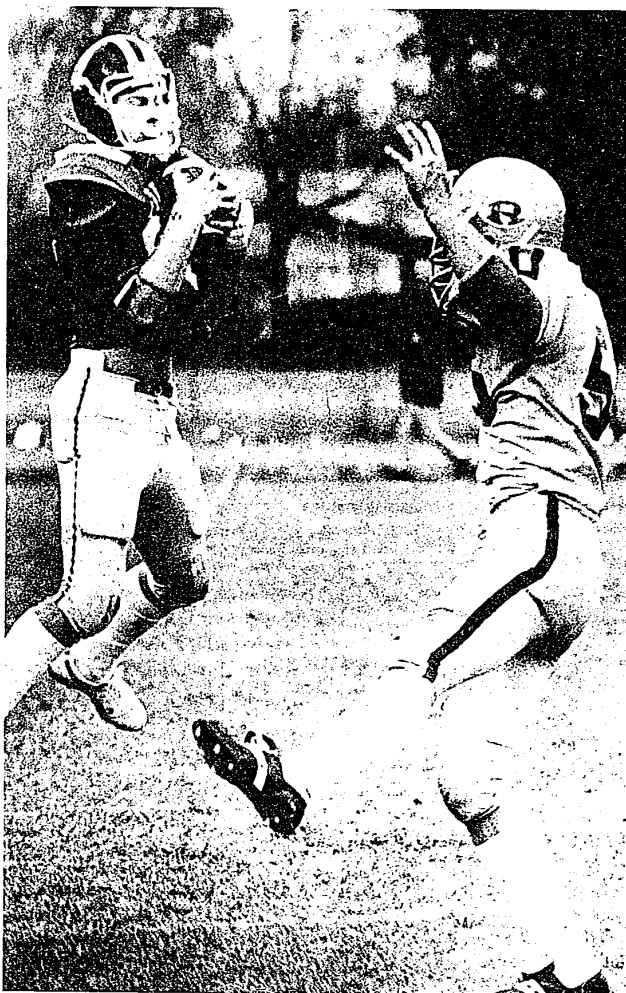
The Raiders added one more tally before the half, traveling 70 yards in eight plays. Goldstein threw his first pass of the game in the drive, a 15-yard completion to Clay Morrison, which moved the ball to the Farmington 34.

Goldstein scored four plays later from the 15, scrambling around left end for the touchdown. Nutter's kick was perfect, and North had a 20-0 half-time lead.

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Rich Nutter gained 217 yards and scored three North Farmington touchdowns last Saturday against Farmington.



Ron Sarceovich hauls in a pass for Farmington as North's Karl Hamina watches. (Staff photos by Randall Borst)

Falcon tankers shine in Oakland County meet

By TOM BAER

Farmington High's swimmers showed last Saturday they're a lot better than their dual-meet record indicates.

Farmington, led by senior Sally Schueler, placed swimmers in the top six of six of the 11 events in the inaugural Oakland County girls' championship held in Oakland Community College's new pool on the Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington Hills.

"We had some nice swims," said Farmington coach Mark Holdridge after the meet. "We have a tough dual-meet schedule this season. At one point, we lost four straight meets."

"So it was nice to see some of our kids place this well in a meet like this. It shows them that they're pretty good within the county. And this is one of the better high school swimming areas in the state."

Schueler was Farmington's outstanding swimmer, winning the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:10.6 and placing second in the 50-yard freestyle in 25.9.

"She's a real competitor," Holdridge said. "She really gets up for the big meets."

Kim Pogue, a Farmington sophomore, was second in the 200-yard freestyle in 2:03.4 and finished 10th in the 100-yard but-

terfly in 1:05.5. Other outstanding Farmington performances came from Amy Edwards (sixth in the 50 free in 26.3) and Dawn Stanton (sixth in the 100 butterfly in 1:04.4).

FARMINGTON'S RELAYS finished in the top six. The 200 medley relay (Laura Edwards, Angela Gord, Stanton and Margaret Richards) finished fifth in 2:01.5. The Falcons' 400 freestyle crew (Schueler, Amy Edwards, Pogue and Richards) also placed fifth in 3:55.6.

Farmington Harrison's best effort came from senior diver Sue Humphries, who finished third with 370.50 points. Harrison's 200 medley relay (Kathy Hagan, Julie Weiss, Sharon Goodman and Nikki Allen) finished ninth in 2:09.3.

"That wasn't my strongest relay — Nancy Whitmore was missing — but it was our fastest time of the year in that event," said Harrison coach Todd Knock.

North Farmington had a fine competitor in sophomore Kirsten Kinsman, who finished fourth in the 200 individual medley (2:21.3) and seventh in the 100 backstroke (1:07.2).

Farmington Our Lady of Mercy, one of the strongest girls' swimming teams in the state, didn't enter the county meet. Last Friday, Mercy raised its dual-meet record to 10-0 with a 69-13 victory over Dearborn St. Alphonsus.

Sue Miller was clocked in 2:26.5 to win the IM for Mercy. Some other Mercy firsts: Katie Gibbs (161.35 points in diving), Karen Peterson (1:07.2 in the 100 butterfly) and Ann Colon (2:16.5 in the 200 freestyle).

On Thursday (Nov. 8), Farmington swims at Southfield High. Harrison travels to Livonia Churchill and North Farmington moves to Westland John Glenn. All meets begin at 7 p.m.

On the following Wednesday (Nov. 14), Mercy hosts Royal Oak Shrine and Harper Woods Regina at 4 p.m. - 30-

Murphy takes 14th; Mercy finishes 13th in cross country final

John Murphy, Farmington High's No. 1 cross country runner, saved his best for last in the boys' Class A state meet last Saturday at Faulkwood Shores Golf Course near Brighton.

Farmington Our Lady of Mercy, which qualified for the team race in the girls' Class A finals, finished 13th with 326 points last Saturday at the same site.

Murphy, a senior, finished the three-mile course in 15:23.5 — his best time of the season — to land 14th in the Class A race for individuals whose teams did not qualify for the finals.

"John's had a real good year," said Farmington coach Gerald Young. "He really hasn't had a bad race. He won the league (Inter Lakes League) meet and placed high in every invitational he entered. He's won all his dual meets except for one."

Murphy was up against some stiff competition in the individuals, according to Young. "It was the toughest of the races," he said. "In fact, John's time would have been good enough for eighth place had he been in the team race."

Murphy, who improved from 40th place in last year's individual race, finished about a second ahead of Royal Oak Kimball's Bob Landry. Bob Tolson of Wayne Memorial won the individual race in 14:28.9, and Carl

Allen of Ann Arbor Huron was second in 14:55.9.

Mercy, a girls' cross country power under coach Bob Kirkland, qualified for the team race by finishing third in the regional.


MERCY'S FASTEST runner in the state meet was junior Curran Sullivan, who finished in 45th place with a time of 19:27. Micha Sullivan, Curran's younger sister, finished 53rd in 19:38.

Mercy's last three girls were Rocky Brown (64th in 19:50), Amy Brown (61st, 20:32) and Cathy McDonough (83rd, 20:38). Kirkland said he liked the course. "There was a lot of sure footing on the grass," he said. "It wasn't like Marshbank or Cass Benton where you have to worry about stepping in a chuck hole."

"It was a class course, a good fast course. There were some gentle hills."

Brighton High, led by Pat Hamparian's first-place time of 17:15.9, won the Class A team title. Rochester High, the defending Class A champion, was second with 120 points.

Kelly Shumate of Clio took second in the girls' individual race with a time of 17:29.6, and Sue Pacquette of Hazel Park was third in 17:35.0.



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