

Harrison cagers beat RU; North tops Brighton

By TOM BAER

Goran Vasovski came off the bench to score 12 second-half points and lead Farmington Harrison to a 68-57 victory over Redford Union in non-league basketball last Tuesday night.

Vasovski, a 6-foot junior guard, also dealt out five assists, four coming after halftime. Brian Burgess, Harrison's 6-2 senior, led all scorers with 21 points to go with his nine rebounds and five steals.

Harrison led by four points (12-8) after the first quarter and then opened the lead to 12 points (22-10) into the

second quarter. But RU came back to outpace the Hawks, 18-11 in the second quarter and take a 26-23 lead.

Glenn Roberts fired in 19 points for Redford Union, and Jerry Burke added 13. The loss dropped RU to 5-7 overall.

Harrison, now 7-5 overall, plays next on Friday (Feb. 1) at home against Walled Lake Western. The Western Six League contest has an 8 p.m. start.

**NORTH FARMINGTON 71
BRIGHTON HIGH 60**

The second quarter made the differ-

ence in North Farmington's 71-60 victory over Brighton High last Tuesday in a non-league on North's court.

North ran to a 16-14 lead after the opening quarter and then exploited for 17 second-quarter points while holding the opposition to eight. The Raiders outpointed Brighton, 40-26, in the second half.

Brian Bowditch, a 6-5 senior who usually leads "with scoring, paced North with 25 points on nine field goals and seven of seven free throws. Rich Nutter and Rex Baker each added 12 points for the winners, and Matt Ruud added eight.

Bachelor scored 22 points to lead Brighton.

North, now 5-6 overall, returns to Northwest Suburban League play on Friday with a game at Westland John Glenn. Game time is 8 p.m.

**LIVONIA CHURCHILL 57
FARMINGTON HIGH 54**

Farmington High, which upset Livonia Stevenson last Friday, couldn't keep its winning ways at Livonia Churchill last Tuesday. Score: Churchill 57, Farmington 54.

Churchill had three men in double figures with Ron Reed (15 points), Ron Schueneman (14) and Greg Hovermale (10). Jeff McGrath led Farmington with 13 points. Jerry Liphardt and Ron Sarevich added 11 and 10 points, respectively, for the Falcons, now 4-8 on the season.

Churchill held a 54-34 rebounding advantage, and Farmington had turnover trouble with 24 miscues.

"We weren't playing very good defense," said Farmington coach Richard Roy. "Churchill got too many foul shots (22)."

Farmington plays next on Friday at home against Walled Lake Central. The Inter Lakes League game starts at 8 p.m.

HARRISON 68 — REDFORD UNION 57

FARMINGTON HARRISON (68) — D.J. Hochstein 6, 2-3; Clay Dillon 1, 0-0; Goran Vasovski 2, 8-14; Dave Trumetti 1, 0-1; Dan Kuehling 6, 2-2; Ted Kallgren 3, 1-2; Brian Burgess 7, 7-9; Steve Shambom 4, 0-0; Mike Tetreault 1, 2-2; 4. Mike Cleary 1, 1-3; Bruce Yeager 1, 1-2. 3. TOTALS: 22, 24-32, 68.

REDFORD UNION (57) — Glenn Roberts 9, 1-10; Jerry Burke 5, 3-6; 12. Todd Hillis 3, 2-2; Bill Klotz 3, 2-2; Andy Schabo 1, 0-0; 2. Rocco Rucinski 3, 0-4; 2. George Diamantoni 1, 0-0; 2. Mike Lowery 1, 1-1. TOTALS: 20, 17-27, 57.

TOTAL FOULS — RU 22, HHS 18. FOULED OUT: None.

HARRISON 12 11 16 29 — 68
REDFORD UNION 8 10 12 19 — 57

N. FARMINGTON 71 — BRIGHTON 60

NORTH FARMINGTON (71) — Matt Ruud 2, 2-2; Rex Baker 6, 0-0; 12. Tim Tennant 3, 1-3; 5. Rich Nutter 6, 0-0; 12. Mark Bowditch 2, 1-2; 5. Jim Crawley 2, 0-0; 4. Brian Bowditch 9, 7-7, 25. TOTALS: 30, 10-12, 71.

BRIGHTON HIGH (60) — Cleary 6, 0-0; 12. Greer 7, 0-0; 14. Bachelor 10, 2-2; 22. Garbaw 1, 0-0; 2. Hazz 2, 0-0; 4. Calveris 3, 0-0. TOTALS: 23, 22-66.

TOTAL FOULS — Brighton 13, North 7.

FOULED OUT: None.

N. FARMINGTON 14 17 18 22 — 71
BRIGHTON 16 8 14 22 — 60

CHURCHILL 57 — FARMINGTON 54

LIVONIA CHURCHILL (57) — Greg Hovermale 3, 0-4; 10. Ron Schueneman 6, 2-6; 14. Brian Kersten 1, 1-2; 3. Ron Reed 5, 5-6; 15. Chris Harrah 3, 1-2; 7. Brian Kuemp 1, 2-4; 4. Ken Block 2, 0-0. TOTALS: 31, 18-22, 57.

FARMINGTON HIGH (54) — Ron Sarevich 5, 0-1; 10. Jeff McGrath 5, 3-6; 10. Jerry Liphardt 5, 1-2; 11. Bill Lehman 3, 0-1; 5. John Dunn 3, 0-0; 6. Steve Puszkowski 1, 0-0; 2. Mike Wenzlak 2, 2-2. 6. TOTALS: 34, 6-12, 54.

TOTAL FOULS — Farmington 17, Churchill 14.

FOULED OUT: None.

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FARMINGTON 6 19 13 16 — 54

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Rex Baker (with ball) pulls in a rebound for North Farmington. (Staff photo by Mindy Saunders)

North's teams claim victories

Hawk gymnasts win 7th

Janet Thibodeau posted a personal best score in the all-around to lead Farmington Harrison's gymnasts to an easy 68.7-61.4 victory over Oak Park Monday at Oak Park.

In other gymnastic meets last Monday, North Farmington's girls' team

ran its record to 3-1 in duals with a 90.2-86.25 over Bloomfield Hills Andover at Andover, while North's boys' squad won its third straight meet by topping St. John's, 112.54-105.51, at North.

In Harrison's win over Oak Park, the

Hawks claimed the top three spots in every event. Thibodeau finished first in the balance beam (8.5) and the floor exercise (8.1) and was second in both the vault (8.2) and uneven parallel bars (7.8).

Kathy Purcell also won twice for Harrison, taking the vault (8.5) and bars (8.0). Purcell was second in the beam (7.5) and tied with teammate Dorene Keenan for second spot in the floor exercise (7.9).

Thibodeau's score of 32.7 placed her first in the all-around. Purcell was next with a 31.9 total. Keenan, who also had a pair of third-place finishes in the bars and beam, was third in the all-around with 23.8 points.

The win improved Harrison's record to 7-1 in dual meets. But, more importantly, the 88.7 point total moved the Hawks one step closer to qualifying for state regional competition.

A TEAM HAS to surpass 84 points four times during the dual meet season to qualify for the regionals. So far, the Hawks have topped that mark three times.

"Harrison's never qualified for the regionals before," said Hawk coach Kim Dennis. "I just hope we can stay healthy and make it this year."

"They're doing real well. I'm proud of them."

Injuries to key people has been the Hawks' biggest problem. Both Thibodeau and Purcell may undergo surgery when the season concludes.

North's girls, it was more of the same in the victory over Andover. Junior K'athy Temple swept all five first-place finishes for the third time in four dual meets. The only meet she didn't win every event was the Plymouth Canton meet, when she tied Canton's Laura Michalic for first in the vault.

In winning each competition against Andover, Temple ran up scores of 8.7 (Continued on page 5B)



Harrison's Janet Thibodeau had her best effort ever in all-around competition. (Staff photo by Randy Borst)

Tourney trouble

Hawks 8th, Raiders 10th at Lathrup

By DENNIS O'CONNOR

Davidson High won three individual weight classes en route to a first-place team finish at the second annual Southfield-Lathrup Wrestling Invitational last Saturday.

Host Lathrup, under first-year head coach Eric Kopsch, continued to suffer the pains of a rebuilding year, finishing last in the 11-team tournament with 43½ points.

Davidson won the tourney with 142½ points, edging runner-up Clarkson, which finished with 132½

points. Pontiac Northern was third with 99½ points.

The top finisher of the Observer & Eccentric teams was West Bloomfield, which placed seventh with 59½ points. Farmington Harrison finished right behind the Lakers with 58 points, and North Farmington, usually a wrestling power, placed a disappointing 10th with 46 points.

Swartz Creek placed fourth (86 points). Dearborn Edsel Ford was fifth (81½). Walled Lake Western placed sixth (74½) and Ypsilanti placed ninth (48½) to round out the field.

Lathrup's Dan Frank was the host team's top finisher, losing to North Farmington's John Donovan, 7-6, in the championship match at 121 pounds. Teammate Chris Parent placed third at 107 pounds, defeating West Bloomfield's Neil Fenzel, 8-2, in a consolation match. Parent was awarded a trophy for accumulating the most pins during the tournament action.

West Bloomfield was led by Barry Bausano, who placed second at 157 pounds. Fenzel, Jay Jackson (140 pounds), Bob Petrillo (134) and Brian Murphy (121) all placed fourth.

Harrison was led by Phil Palajac, who won the 129-pound competition by defeating Edsel Ford's Kelly Carmichael, 10-2. Eric Kerastas placed third at 200 pounds and Bob Cushing was fourth at 147.

The Raiders from North Farmington were led by Donovan, the 121-pound champion, and Jeff Rentz, who placed second at 169 pounds.

Lathrup's Allen Oppenheimer placed fourth at 129.

The Lathrup event included 12 teams, but Goodrich High did not compete. Kopsch, also the tournament host, was pleased with the tourney and said he hoped to have a larger field competing during the holiday season next year.

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TEAM FINISH — 1. Davidson, 127½ points; 2. Clarkson, 132½; 3. Pontiac Northern, 99½; 4. Swartz Creek, 86; 5. Edsel Ford, 81½; 6. Walled Lake Western, 74½; 7. W. Bloomfield, 59½; 8. Farm. Harrison, 58; 9. Ypsilanti, 48½; 10. N. Farmington, 46; 11. Lathrup, 43½.

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

100 POUNDS — Aaron Logan (PN) defeated Mike Conway (C) 5-2. CONSOLATION: Ed Mila (WLN) defeated Dave Serrata (D) 10-5.

107 POUNDS — Willie Madre (PN) placed Craig Gervette (C) at 4-22. CONSOLATION: Chris Parent (SL) defeated Neil Fenzel (WB) 8-2.

114 POUNDS — Dave Crim (D) pinned Tim Napier (WLN) at 1:55. CONSOLATION: Kevin Frisbee (Y) defeated Mike Poonas (SC), coin toss.

121 POUNDS — John Donovan (NF) defeated Dan Frank (SL) 7-6. CONSOLATION: Kurt Bender (D) defeated Brian Murphy (WB) 5-0.

129 POUNDS — Phil Palajac (FH) defeated Kelly Carmichael (EF) 10-2. CONSOLATION: Jim Atwell (WLN) defeated Allen Oppenheimer (SL) 7-1.

134 POUNDS — Rick Burns (D) pinned Ramel Fakhoury (EP) at 5:22. CONSOLATION: Jeff Miracle (C) defeated Bob Petrillo (WB) 4-0.

140 POUNDS — Kelly Gleason (D) defeated Scott Smith (C) 6-0. CONSOLATION: Ray Atkins (SC) defeated Jay Jackson (WB), coin toss.

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Harrison's Eric Kerastas (top) finished third in the 200-pound weight class in the Lathrup tournament. (Staff photo by Dick O'Leary)

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