

North Farmington trackmen outrun Thurston

By TOM BAER

Paul Welch was a double winner last Thursday as unbeaten North Farmington won its third-straight boys' track dual meet with a 100-32 showing over Redford Thurston in the Northwest Suburban League.

Welch, a standout on North's cross country team last fall, won the 1,600-meter run in 4:50.0, and then took first in the 3,200-meter run in 10:42.0. North's Bob Fritz won the 110-yard high hurdles in 1:51.1, and teammate Jeff Temple won the 800-meter run in 2:07.1. Bob Morden went 13 feet to win the pole vault for North.

Thurston's Ken Kozym won two events, the shotput (50-foot-3) and the discus (147-2).

In another boys' meet last Thursday, Pontiac Northern defeated Farmington

High, 76-56, in the Inter Lakes League. Farmington is 2-1 overall and 1-1 in the ILL.

Farmington's Jim Brancheau won the pole vault with a 13-3 effort, and teammate Craig Kietly won the high jump at 6-2. Farmington's 440-yard relay (Doug Eby, Chris Titus, Rick Curtis and Scott Hay) won with a time of 1:45.8.

Some other Farmington firsts: Dennis Antishia (41.3 in the low hurdles), Scott Hazen (45-1 in the shot put) and John Murphy (16:07.6 in the two mile).

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Mercy girls run past Regina

Michele Collins won two events last week to help Farmington Our Lady of Mercy post a 68-55 victory over Harper Woods Regina in a Catholic League girls' track meet. Mercy is 2-0 in dual meets.

Collins, a senior, won the mile run with a time of 5:34.5, and then took the 880-yard run with a 2:27.5 clocking. Beth Bosse won the shot put with a throw of 29 feet. Mercy's 880-yard relay (Cathy Bridges, Sonya Howett, Kathleen Whalen and Sherry West) won with a time of 1:51.3.

In other girls' track last Thursday, Plymouth Canton defeated Farmington

Harrison, 61-60, in the Western Six League. Harrison is winless in two WSL starts this season.

Harrison's Terri Duckett won three individual events in the losing cause. She finished first in the 110-yard high hurdles (15.7), the 220-yard hurdles (33.8) and the long jump (5-foot-2). Two other Harrison firsts: Mona Mitchell (14-6 in the long jump) and Beth Dille (12.3 in the 100-yard dash).

Earlier last week, Harrison won its first meet this season, a 70-53 triumph over city-rival North Farmington. Duckett won the 110 hurdles (16.3) and the 22 hurdles (33.7), and Dille won

the 100 dash (12.2) and the 220 (28.3). North's Maureen Jewell won the distance events, going 6:01.8 in the mile and 13:26.2 in the two mile.

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Erickson tosses no-hitter for HHS

Farmington Harrison's Barb Erickson pitched a no-hitter and doubled home a run last Wednesday to lead her softball squad to a 13-1 triumph over Waterford Mott in the Western Six League. The win increased Harrison's record to 3-0.

Erickson, a senior righthander, struck out two and walked one. Mott's only run came on a hit batsman, two wild pitches and a sacrifice fly. "She had a real nice low fastball, and they just couldn't hit it," said Harrison coach Sandra Rivers.

Harrison had seven hits, including two in three trips to the plate by Kathy Corbett. Cynthia Pink, Linda Bache, Kathleen McManus and Kathy Purcell each had a hit and accounted for five RBIs.

Harrison plays at 4 p.m. today (Monday) at home against Walled Lake Western.

WATERFORD 6
FARMINGTON 0

Winning pitcher Annie Verve pitched a four-hitter and struck out five batters as Waterford Township blanked Farmington High, 6-0, in Inter-Lakes League softball last week. The loss dropped coach Vestus Spindler's Farmington club to 2-2 overall. Losing pitcher Betsy VanDeusen worked six innings, striking out one and walking eight. Jean Zukorski had two hits in three trips for Farmington, and teammates Kay Deeg and Wendy Dierkes

each had a hit in three trips. At 4 p.m. today, Farmington hosts Walled Lake Central in an Inter-Lakes League contest.

REGINA 19
OUR LADY MERCY 4

Farmington Our Lady of Mercy got mercy-ruled by Harper Woods Regina, 15-4, last week. Mercy dropped to 1-5 with the loss.

Mercy managed just three hits, two singles and a double, off two Regina pitchers, Berndt and Lasky. Kelly Devers had a double and a single, and Beth Hackett had a single in two trips for the losers. Losing pitcher Margie Rueber worked 3 1/2 innings, allowing

seven hits, walking seven and fanning two.

Mercy travels to Redford Bishop Borgess for a 4 p.m. game today (Monday).

THURSTON 6
NORTH FARMINGTON 4

North Farmington dropped its third-straight game by a 6-4 decision to Redford Thurston last week.

Losing pitcher Mary Shuey went the distance, striking out three and walking six. Barrie Ballo drove in two runs with a triple in the fifth inning.

North Farmington plays at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday at Livonia Franklin.



Paul Welch won two events for North Farmington in last Thursday's meet. (Staff photo by Harry Mauthe)

North '9' cops 5th win

Ron Fredericks pitched a three-hitter last Wednesday to pace North Farmington's 7-2 victory over Redford Thurston in a Northwest Suburban League baseball game at Thurston. The win was North's fifth straight this season.

Fredericks, a senior righthander, boosted his pitching record to 3-0. He threw 114 pitches, walking five and striking out seven. The three hits were singles, and both runs were unearned. Tom Godwin led North's 15-hit attack with three singles and two RBIs. He also scored two runs and stole three bases. Mike Thompson belted a triple

and two singles and knocked in two runs. Tom Jeffery had a triple and a double and drove in another run.

On Tuesday, May 8, North entertains Livonia Franklin at 4 p.m.

WATERFORD MOTT 4
FARMINGTON HARRISON 3

Brian Harris singled to left and then scored on a three-base error to lift Waterford Mott to a 4-3 victory over Farmington Harrison in eight innings last Wednesday in a Western Six League baseball game at Waterford. The loss dropped Harrison to 0-3.

NF netters triumph

North Farmington's George Stroh won the No. 2 singles match, 6-1, 6-1, over Lance Carter to help his team beat Northville High, 5-2, in a non-league tennis meet last Thursday. The win lifted coach Norm Stanicevski's Raiders to 4-2 overall.

North blanked Redford Thurston, 7-0, in the Northwest Suburban League last Wednesday. Mike Schupp won the top singles match with a 6-3, 6-1 performance over Bob Litwinzuck. In the No. 3 doubles contest, Rick Justice and Joe Montana whipped Mark Barbour and Steve Hlaska, 6-1, 6-1.

North bested non-league Redford Bishop Borgess, 7-0, last week. Schupp won the No. 1 singles match with a 6-4, 6-4 drubbing of Greg Rajowski.

In another meet last week, Farmington Harrison stopped Waterford Mott, 7-0, in the Western Six League. The win pushed Harrison to 2-1 overall and 2-0 in the WSL.

In the No. 1 singles match, Harrison's Barry Leshman topped Paul Durocher, 6-3, 7-5. Harrison's No. 2 doubles team of Mark Miller and Craig Shea needed three sets to overcome Brad Boyle and Rick Hencelersbott, 7-5, 1-6, 6-3.

Farmington edged Waterford Township, 4-3, in an Inter Lakes League meet last week. Farmington is 2-1 with the win.

No. 3 doubles was the deciding match. Farmington's squad, Tom Baldassarre and Mickey Schaffer, knocked off Dwight Smith and John Flemming, 6-2, 6-1. Chuck Milliken, Farmington's No. 4 singles player, beat Ken Munn, 6-1, 6-1.

Today (Monday), Harrison plays at Walled Lake Western, and Farmington High plays at Walled Lake Central.

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N. FARMINGTON 7 - BORGESS 9

SINGLES — Mike Schupp (North Farmington) defeated Greg Rajowski, 6-4, 4-6; George Stroh (NF) defeated Doug Godwin, 6-1, 5-6; Glen Clunker (NF) defeated Mark DeBolt, 7-5, 6-2; Sam Gray (NF) defeated Jim Krawak, 6-4, 6-0.

DOUBLES — Bruce Altshuler and Steve Chesley (NF) defeated Tim Manderson and Mike Dombrowski, 6-0, 6-2; Rick Justice and Kent Lasky (NF) defeated Bruce Ryan and Russ Wyenicki, 6-1, 6-1; Jeff White and Brian Gray (NF) defeated Jeff Barker and Kevin Rutledge, 6-1, 6-1.

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SINGLES — Mike Schupp (NF) defeated Bob Litwinzuck, 6-3, 6-1; George Stroh (NF) defeated John Cantano, 6-1, 6-0; Glen Clunker (NF) defeated Doug Mullen, 6-0, 6-0; Sam Gray (NF) defeated Gary Schiller, 6-0, 6-0.

DOUBLES — Bruce Altshuler and Steve Chesley (NF) defeated Kevin Ogilvie and Paul Snyder, 6-4, 6-0; Jim Butler and Brad Ferrer (NF) defeated Jerry Campbell and George Celio, 6-3, 6-1; Tim Baldassarre and Mickey Schaffer (NF) defeated Dwight Smith and John Flemming, 6-2, 6-1.

FARMINGTON 4 - WATERFORD 3

SINGLES — Bill Dettling (Waterford) defeated Dan Page, 6-4, 6-4; Fred Edwards (NF) defeated John Kerr, 6-3, 5-6, 6-4; Dave Harmon (NF) defeated Eric Stenroos, 6-4, 6-0; Chuck Milliken (Farmington) defeated Mark Durocher, 6-4, 6-1; Dave Harwood (NF) defeated John Durocher, 6-3, 6-4; Rick Torres (NF) defeated Mark Allen, 6-3, 6-4.

DOUBLES — Mark Dettling and Al Laker (NF) defeated Mark Stenroos and Greg Dadd, 6-4, 6-2; Mark Miller and Craig Shea (NF) defeated Brad Boyle and Rick Hencelersbott, 7-5, 1-6, 6-3; Andre Beck and Normin Dager (NF) defeated Mark Adams and John Devine, 6-4, 6-3.

N. FARMINGTON 5 - NORTHVILLE 2

SINGLES — Barry Dettling (Northville) defeated Mike Schupp, 6-1, 6-4; George Stroh (NF) defeated Mike Durocher, 6-4, 6-1; Glen Clunker (NF) defeated Doug Godwin, 6-1, 6-0; Jeff White and Brian Gray (NF) defeated Jeff Barker and Kevin Rutledge, 6-1, 6-1.

Mark Daniel, the winning pitcher, gave up six hits and struck out seven. Harris had four of Mott's eight hits.

Harrison tied the game at three-all in the seventh inning when Mike Kourakis singled and came home on Tom Cundy's triple. Pete Tompson was the losing pitcher.

Earlier last week, West Bloomfield's Jim Arnold tossed a four-hitter as the Lakers edged Harrison, 4-3, in a non-league game. Dale Silar tripled and drove in a run for Harrison, and teammate John Rucker pitched four innings of scoreless relief.

Harrison travels to Walled Lake Western for a 4 p.m. game on Monday, May 7.

WATERFORD 4
FARMINGTON 1

Farmington pitcher Greg Kuhnlein went the distance and allowed five hits in the Falcons' 4-1 loss to Waterford Township in Inter Lakes League baseball last week. Kuhnlein fanned five and walked two.

Farmington managed just two hits off winning pitcher Bill Nolan. Ken Hayward had a single and a triple in three trips for the winners.

Farmington, 1-2 overall and 0-1 in the ILL with the loss, plays next on Monday, May 7, at Walled Lake Central. Game time is 4 p.m.

Harrison kickers edge Farmington

Retha Rice and Beth Roud each scored a goal and Dayle Churchill had an assist to pace Farmington Harrison's 2-1 victory over Farmington High last Wednesday in a high school girls' soccer game on Farmington's field. The win lifted Harrison to 2-1 this season.

Lisa King scored Farmington's goal. Harrison netminder Jeanne Prichard stopped Falcon shots.

Today, (Monday) Livonia Stevenson plays at Harrison, Birmingham Seaholm plays at North Farmington, and Livonia Franklin plays at Farmington High. All games begin at 4 p.m.

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