

Runk, Armstrong, Inch lead All-Area squad

1984 All-Area cross country teams

 Marty Hegarty CC	 Steve Shaver CC	 Jim Cauzillo CC	 Chris Inch Farmington	 Kirk Armstrong N. Farmington
 Dave Homann Garden City	 Eric Buchanan RU	 Al Stebbins Farmington	 Chris Rito CC	 Tony Mizzi CC
 Lauri Runk Harrison	 Janis Billnaki RU	 Katie Showich Thurston	 Pam Eldridge John Glenn	 Karen Opp John Glenn
 Carol Sulick Churchill	 Susan Talligan Stevenson	 Denise Durrer Salem	 Melly Mogilefski RU	 Sherry Williams Borgess

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"Eric has made great improvement over the past three years" said RU coach Bob Oestle. "He's been consistent all season and has a good future as a collegiate-level runner."

Chris Rito, Catholic Central: A senior, Rito was a big factor in the Shamrocks' "perfect season."

He placed 4th in the state meet with a time of 18:44, finished sixth in the Catholic League and seventh at the regional.

His best invitational finishes occurred at Sturgis (fourth) and the Shrine/Shamrock (eighth).

SECOND TEAM

Jay Hunt, Wald, John Glenn.
Jim Kolodziej, Wald, John Glenn.
David Adkins, Redford Union.
Kevin Sari, Liv, Bentley.

ALL-AREA GIRLS FIRST TEAM

Lauri Runk, Farmington Harrison: This dedicated performer will graduate this spring as the most prolific cross-country runner in Harrison's history. She is a two-time All-Area member. She owns the Harrison course record (18:33 on the 3-mile course).

This season, she won the Western Lakes meet, placed second at the regional (19:16), and 11th at the state meet (19:58). It was the third-straight season Runk qualified for the state meet.

Janis Billnaki, Redford Union: Only a sophomore, Billnaki was a driving force behind the Panthers' success this season. She earned all-Northwest Suburban League honors, was all-invitational at the Schoolcraft meet, won the Walley Lake Western Invitational, placed fourth at the regional and 17th at state. A pretty nice list of credentials.

Melody Mogilefski, Redford Union: Senior Mogilefski captained the Panthers this year. She has been a three-year standout for RU. She was all-NSL, all-Schoolcraft Invitational, ninth in the regional meet and 23rd at the state meet.

Katie Showich, Redford Thurston: Running can be an isolated, lonely activity. Team cross country is designed to alleviate that. Not so for Showich. Runk ran virtually alone at Thurston and she ran splendidly for three years. She finished third in the NSL meet, ninth at both the Schoolcraft and RU invitational, third in the Class B regional and 11th at the state meet. This is her second season on the All-Area team.

Pam Eldridge, John Glenn: A senior, second-year member of the All-Area team, Eldridge had another outstanding year despite missing some time with a leg injury. She took 14th in the regional meet and 24th in the state. She owns the Glenn course record with a 19:35.

Karen Opp, John Glenn: Also making her second appearance on the All-Area team, Junior Opp is considered the premier prep runner in western Wayne County. She placed first in the NSL meet, second in the regionals and, despite developing hypothermia, she hung on to place 14th at the state meet.

Carol Sulick, Livonia Churchill: Check out these accomplishments for a first-year runner: 12th at Schoolcraft, 5th in the Western Lakes, 8th in the regional meet, 14th at RU and 55th at the state meet. Sulick, a junior,

Bruce Kraft, Farmington.
Dana Desrosbeck, Farmington.
Bruce Kerr, Farmington.
Bryan Lawrie, Farmington.
Mike Frangos, Redford Union.
Jim Federsa, Catholic Central.

HONORABLE MENTION

Western Lakes: Jim Rasmussen.
Catholic: Judy Glass; Frank Shelly, Kyle Bakalis, Tod Linn and Dan Lofsky.
Redford Union: David Jackson.
Garden City: Jim Finelli and Tom Anthony.
Livonia: Frankie John Callie and John Menden.
Livonia Bentley: Rob Anzini.
Livonia Churchill: Pete Mills, Dave Dudaik and Scott Howard.
Livonia Borgess: Jack Talligan and John Merigan.
Redford Bentley: Bob Ziegler.
Livonia Bentley: Joe Kania and Matt Smith.
Plymouth: Scott Blaster and Eric Pedersen.
Plymouth: Casson Bob Taylor, Karl Reed and Dave Burger.
Farmington Harrison: Dave Linn, Mike Ekbar and Chris Hart.

was the catalyst of Churchill's fine season.

Susan Talligan, Livonia Stevenson: The last of six returners to the All-Area team, senior Talligan was the captain and MVP of a solid Stevenson team. She didn't lose a dual-meet race this season. She placed 4th at Schoolcraft, 2nd at the Ann Arbor Invitational, 8th at RU, 10th at the regional and 61st at state.

Denise Durrer, Plymouth Salem: A standout as a junior with Redford Union last year, Durrer transferred to Salem where she became the Rocks No. 1 runner. She holds one of the top five 5K times in Salem history. She ran 2nd in the Western Lakes meet, 4th at Schoolcraft, 11th at RU, 7th in the regional and 14th at the state. Her best time this season was 18:12.

Sherry Williams, Borgess: This talented senior didn't lose a dual meet and earned all-Catholic honors. She has qualified for the state meet four straight seasons. She placed 8th at Schoolcraft, 8th in the Catholic League race and 8th in the regional. The Borgess captain also carries a 3.1 grade point.

SECOND TEAM

Nicole Jelley, Farmington.
Jenny Skroat, Garden City.
Stacey Wolf, Liv, Churchill.
Kathy Roberts, Liv, Franklin.
Tracie Marks, Redford Union.
Jenny Anderson, Farm, Harrison.
Danna Cashe, N. Farmington.
Laura Granata, John Glenn.
Michele Economos, Liv, Stevenson.
Lynna Johnson, Liv, Stevenson.

HONORABLE MENTION

Redford Union: Andrea Hunter.
Farmington: Diana Wickham.
N. Farmington: Erik Zeno.
Farm, Harrison: Andrea Pasco.
Liv, Churchill: Ken Kastner, Ducky Kinchowski, Colleen Churchill.
Liv, Stevenson: Jenny McCormick, Cathy Smith.
Plymouth Salem: Branda Boyd, Trish Donnelly, Amy Myrasak.
Livonia Bentley: Carolyn Nagel.
Bishop Borgess: Kelly Driscoll.
Livonia Bentley: Sue Willey.
Our Lady of Mercy: Ellen McCarthy, Carol Melampy, Maime Healey.
Liv, Franklin: Erica Andrews, Jeannette Cashe.
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
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