

Jones captures Ocelot run

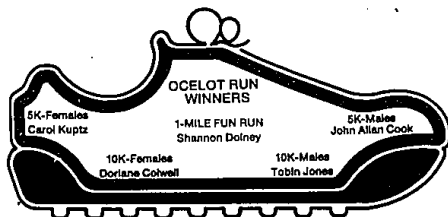
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You could call this victory, "Native son wins first Schoolcraft College Ocelot Run."

Westland's Tobin Jones, a former Schoolcraft College runner and head cross country coach at his alma mater, captured Sunday's 10-kilometer Ocelot Run, outdistancing a field of 73 runners. He covered the 6.2-mile course in 31 minutes and 40 seconds.

Jones' only real challenge came from second-place finisher Joe Caruso of Mount Clemens, who followed some 27 seconds behind (32:07).

"The course was hilly and hard, but it was nice," said the 25-year-old Jones. "Just before we hit Northville Road, somewhere between two and three miles, I passed Joe and worked hills. But it was a slower race because of the pace."



The run started and ended in the Schoolcraft College parking lot off Haggerty Road. The runners looped around Six Mile, Northville and Seven Mile roads before turning home for the finish.

"I REALLY HAVEN'T run in a month because of coaching," said Jones, who last won a race in June in Southfield. "There hasn't been enough time to run, not even on the weekends."

But the former Schoolcraft standout was spurred by emotion.

"I ran for my grandmother who passed away yesterday (Saturday)," he said. "It's the least I could do for her."

After graduating from Livonia Churchill High School, Jones went to Schoolcraft where he set the school record for five miles (26:00) at the Monarch Invitational in 1980.

Jones does not have any plans for the rest of the year, only saying: "I'll train hard through the winter and be back next year."

Of the 177 runners who competed in the three different races, the largest contingent was grouped in the 5K event.

John Allan Cook was the overall winner among the 91 runners with a time of 15:42. Jeff Kephik finished second in 15:22.

THE WOMEN'S 5K winner was Carol Kuptz in 20:37, some seven seconds ahead of second-place finisher Patty Kyle.

The women's 10K winner by a wide margin was Doriane Colwell, who was clocked in 42:15. Second-place finisher Vickie Putnam was over three minutes behind in 45:28.

Shannon Dolney captured the one-mile fun run.

All signs are "go" for next year's event, according to Schoolcraft Athletic Director Mary Gans.

"I thought it was very successful run, and this is just the start," he said. "I thought it went well for the first time." Race director Mike Krafchak added that the Ocelot Run 10K course will be certified next year.

sports roundup

SWIMMING

● GROSSE PTE. NORTH RELAYS: The Farmington Hills Mercy swim team opened its 1985 season with an impressive third-place finish at the Grosse Pointe North Swim Invitational Saturday. Birmingham Groves won the meet with 82 points; Grosse Pointe South was second with 78. Mercy finished with 67. The Marlins lone first came in the 200-yard breaststroke as Angie Harrison, Leslie Hankins, Robert Orr and Amy Ceinar teamed on a 2:15.35.

Hankins, Harrison, Ceinar and Lynn Zielinski placed second in the 4-by-100 medley relay (4:28.80).

Both Bedore, Chris Lengs, Maureen Lee and Suzie Knipper took second in the 200 backstroke.

TENNIS

● GROSSE POINTE INVITATIONAL: The Farmington Hills Mercy tennis team coached by Jim Kerwin placed in a tie for third Saturday at Grosse Pointe.

Ann Arbor Huron won the tournament with 32 points, and Grosse Pointe South (40) was second.

Mercy and Grosse Pointe North tied for third with 17 points.

Kathleen Kennedy, Mercy's No. 4 singles player made it to the finals before bowing to South's Katie Turner in straight sets. Mercy's No. 4 doubles team, Kristie and Katie Boyle, also made it the finals before

bowing out to Grosse Pointe South.

GOLF

● N. FARMINGTON 221, FARMINGTON 233: North (8-1) got rounds of 42 from Chris Bayer and Drew Fritz and a 43 from Eric Weinberger to nip rival Farmington last Friday at Godwin Glen. Erica Zonder (48) and Jerry Dalton (48) rounded out the Raiders' scoring. Farmington was paced by John Borbi (44), Karl Borbi (45) and Bob Curtis (45).

CROSS COUNTRY

● FARM. HARRISON (Boys) 21, RED. THURSTON 37; 1. Chris Hart (FH), 15:00; 2. Jeff Ferguson (RT), 16:55; 3. Tom Blason (FH), 18:54; 4. Pat Runk (FH), 17:30; 5. Rick Dzobek (RT), 17:37; 6. Seth Petty (FH), 17:45; 7. Jeff Barringer (FH), 17:50; 8. Dave King (FH), 18:38.

Dual record: Harrison 2-2.

● HARRISON (Girls) 24, Thurston 33; 1. Katie Shovich (RT), 20:03; 2. Jenny Anderson (FH), 21:52; 3. Jenny Clapper (FH), 21:44; 4. Elyse Fletcher (FH), 22:32; 5. Erica Daniels (RT), 22:35; 6. Tracy Tuccini (RT), 23:04; 7. Sheri Novis (FH), 23:06; 8. Stacey Roemer (FH), 24:17; 9. Mary Nussbaum (FH), 27:48. Dual record: Harrison, 1-3.

Falcons freeze in 4th quarter; North wins

Both Farmington and Walled Lake Western entered Tuesday night's basketball game winless, and neither team appeared in a hurry to blemish their record.

In the end, it was Western that prevailed 27-22.

The game was tied at 20 after three quarters. In one stretch of the final quarter, Farmington went 15 possessions without triggering a shot at the basket.

"We just kept making turnovers, throwing the ball away," said Farmington coach Diana Schwartz. "We're playing OK defensively. I'm really not sure what's going on offensively. We're just not producing."

Stacy Swanderick led Farmington with 11 points.

girls basketball

"The future looks good for this program," Schwartz said. "We're starting two sophomores. But this year is going to be tough."

NORTH FARMINGTON 65, HARRISON 3: The winless Hawks managed just one point in the second half. North (3-2) got 10 points from Jean Anzlov and eight from Suzie Butcher. Thirteen Raiders scored.

S'craft kickers win easily

A two-month advantage was a big help to Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team Saturday.

Not that the Ocelots wouldn't have beaten Lakeland Community College anyway, but the score might have been closer than the 6-1 final margin in the Region XII contest played at Schoolcraft.

The end result could have been — in fact, should have been — much worse for Lakeland, according to Schoolcraft coach Van Dimitriou. Because of financial and administrative problems, Lakeland dropped its soccer program for two months. It was reinstated, but not until recruiting efforts had been crippled.

So when Lakeland visited Saturday, it came with only 12 players. Still, Schoolcraft was flat at the outset and was unable to finish its plays until Matt Pace pounded in the game's first goal on a drive from 18 yards out 20 minutes into the game. Rick Hamers assisted.

LIVONIA STEVENSON graduate Joe Novak put a Gene Pulice (Livonia Bentley) pass into the net five minutes later, and Schoolcraft led 2-0 at half.

"There was no doubt who would win," said Dimitriou. "We totally dominated the second half."

Lakeland managed just two shots on net in the first half and one in the second. The second half

shot was a penalty kick that eluded Ocelot goalie Sam Matovski (Livonia Churchill) for Lakeland's only goal.

But by that time Schoolcraft had four goals. Jeff Neichich (Plymouth Canton) scored 10 minutes into the second half, with John Gelmini (Stevenson) assisting, and five minutes later Hamers converted a Pace pass to make it 4-0. Schoolcraft's final two goals were scored by Joe

Mase (Bentley), with Steve Nitchoy (Stevenson) assisting, and by Pace, from Randy Johnson (Plymouth Salem).

"We have to get our forwards to work together and put the game away early," said Dimitriou.

The Ocelots, now 4-1-1 overall (they lost 3-0 to University of Michigan last Wednesday) and 2-0 in Region XII competition, play at Cuyahoga CC Saturday.

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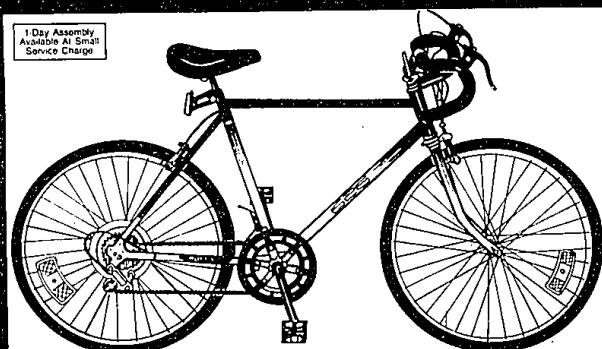
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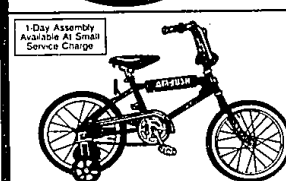
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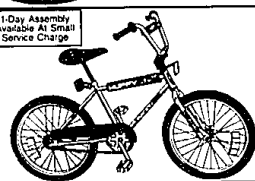
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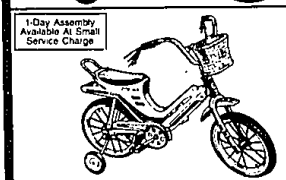
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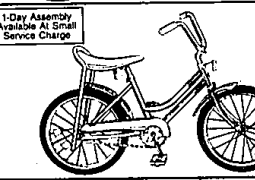
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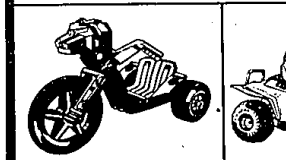
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