

Farmington close 2nd in relays

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The one-two finish by Livonia Stevenson and Farmington in the Lady Chiefs Relays was a forerunner of things to come Saturday.

That's according to Plymouth Canton coach and meet director George Przygodski, who believes those teams will be in the lead at next month's Western Lakes Activities Association girls track meet.

Przygodski should be a good judge of such things since it was his Canton team that won the league championship last year.

It was a great preview of the "WLA meet," he said. "Stevenson and Farmington went at each other right down to the end."

The Spartans had 58 points, the

Falcons 58. Farmington Hills Mercy was fourth, Plymouth Salem sixth and the host Chiefs 12th.

"FIRST OF all, the dual with Stevenson is going to be real good," Farmington coach Bruce Brown said. "But you get in those big meets, and it's hard to tell what's going to happen."

"Our biggest problem as we get near the end of the year is that we're going to run into some conflicts with soccer."

Carrie Maier and Amy Trunk are key members of Farmington's sprint relays — its bread-and-butter events — and they play for the school's undefeated and No. 5-ranked soccer team, too.

"Stevenson is going to dominate us in the shot and discus," Brown said,

"and we're going to hurt them in the sprint relays. But there weren't any open events Saturday. We have no idea how they'll do in the 100 or 200, so I'll still be kinda fun."

The Falcons set meet records with victories in the 400 and shuttle hurdle relays, and they also won the 200. Jennifer Reed, Shell Gaul, Maier and Angie Forge won the 400 in 51.4, and Maier, Nicole Tocco, Trunk and Forge captured the 800 with a 1:51.8 time, beating Ann Arbor Huron in both races. In the shuttle hurdles, Susan Davidson, Dawn Montrose, Marissa Ferrari and Gail combined for a record 1:10.2 time.

"WE HAVE four pretty decent hurdlers," Brown said. "Most schools have two and then have to grab it someone else named Jane to run it. I

thought the kids ran really well." Farmington was fourth in the high jump, but Julie Lawton had the best individual effort at 5 feet, 3 inches.

"That was the first time she's had any competition," Brown said. "Julie is pretty consistent. We can count on her to be anywhere from 5 feet on up."

Jennifer Kiel ran a 12:02 two mile in the eight-mile relay and then a 5:37 mile in the distance medley. Gaul ran "a great leg" on the shuttle hurdle team, Brown said.

The Falcons limited Reed's work to the relay and the long jump.

"Her legs have been bothering her a little bit, and we decided to back her off and rest her," Brown said. "Tocco is starting to run well again. She was ill but is starting to come back into shape."

Mercy track team routs Gallagher

Farmington Hills Mercy routed Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher Tuesday 86-42 in a girls track meet at Farmington High School.

The Marlinis, 2-0 in dual meets, got seven first places from seven different performers.

Mercy split the field events, with Charese Sanders taking the shot put (34-5/4) and Gail Murie winning the high jump (4-8).

Mary Beth Strand was a champion in the low hurdles, clocking 53.9. The Marlinis dominated the middle distance and distance events, getting wins from Nicole Hood, 400 meters, 64.4; Nicole Gates, 800, 2:41.0; Kathleen Gerigk, 1,600, 5:50; and Brigitte Dery, 3,200, 13:10.0.

Mercy also won the 800-meter relay in 1:54.1 and 1,600 relay in 4:27.9, respectively.

Members of the 800 team were Adanna Amazez,

Yvonne Bostic, Nyasha Glass and Kim Cook. Gerigk, Hood, Gates and Heather Sullivan ran in the 1,600 relay.

FARMINGTON HILLS HARRISON placed eighth Saturday at the Chelsea Relays, which were won by Dexter with 71 points.

The Hawks, who finished with 18 points, got a second place in both the shuttle hurdle relay and the sprint medley.

The shuttle hurdle team of Jano Peters, Aimee Jarvenpaa, Michele Rebovy and Maria Chalogiannis clocked 1:11.5, while Nivva Hakin, Heather Conley, Nicole Leo and Peters finished the sprint medley in 1:50.9.

Jarvenpaa and Chalogiannis combined to throw the shot put 57.7 and finish in sixth place, while the 1,600 relay team also placed sixth at 4:25.2. Hakin, Chalogiannis, Audra Cockerham and Peters competed in the mile relay.

IN PAST years, Farmington has gone to the West Bloomfield Invitational where it had to contend with the likes of defending Class A champion Ann Arbor Pioneer.

"This is the first all-relay meet we've been to since I've been coaching, and our kids really enjoyed it," Brown said. "The kids enjoyed coming down here and winning some events. They said they liked it, so I think we'll be back."

Mercy was the winner in the eight-mile relay, scoring 25 points based on the finish of its four runners. Kathleen Gerigk was fourth out of 36 runners, Heather Noll fifth, Carrie Walton sixth and Brigitte Dery 10th.

Nikki Wygonik had the best individual performance for Salem. All four of the relay teams she was on scored points. She helped the Rocks

girls track

LADY CHIEFS RELAYS

Saturday at Plymouth Canton

TEAM SCORES

1. Livonia Stevenson, 58; 2. Farmington 58; 3. Ann Arbor Huron, 48; 4. Farmington Hills Mercy, 40; 5. Addon, 38; 6. Plymouth Barron, 27; 7. Redford Bishop Borgess, 20; 8. Brighton, 25; 9. Livonia Church, 24; 10. Walled Lake Central, 17; 11. Wayne Memorial, 12; Plymouth Canton, 14; 13. Livonia Franklin, 9; 14. Walled Lake Western, 6; 15. Dearborn, 6.

RELAY RESULTS

High Jump: 1. Chuchra (Charlotte Gerigk, Elizabeth Rokicki, Alyssa Bellini), 13-11/2; 2. Franka, 13-5/8; 3. Mercy, 13-0; 4. Farmington, 9-0; 5. Canton, 9-6; 6. Salem, 9-5; Individual Best: Julie Lawton, Farmington, 5-3.

Discus: 1. Stevenson (Jessann Marin, Debbie Wroblewski, Krista Sachs), 129-1/2; 2. Bishop Borgess, 257-1/2; 3. Mercy, 254-1/4; 4. Western, 252-8/16; 5. Huron, 246-1/4; 6. Adison, 242-2/8; Individual best: Mariee Stevenson, 113-10/16.

Shot Put: 1. Livonia Stevenson (Jessann Marin, Debbie Wroblewski, Krista Sachs), 54-9/16; 2. Mercy, 50-8/16; 3. Adison, 50-4/16; 4. Huron, 50-1/4; 5. Bishop Borgess, 86-0/16; 6. Brighton, 70-11/16; Individual best: Clemmytha Johnson, Huron, 34-1/16.

Long Jump: 1. Adian (Kim Farnet, Lashanda Crowe, Shelley Davis), 46-5/8; 2. Bishop Borgess, 44-3/8; 3. Stevenson, 42-6/16; 4. Farmington, 42-6/16; 5. Wayne, 42-4/16; 6. Franklin, 42-3/8; Individual best: Crowe, Adison, 16-9/16.

Eight Miles: 1. Mercy (Carrie Walton, Kathleen Dierck, Heather Noll, Brigitte Dery), 25 points; 2. Brighton, 38; 3. Canton, 47; 4. Farmington, 52; 5. Stevenson, 78; 6. Franklin, 82; Individual best: Kristy Walk, Brighton, 11:58.9.

3,200 Meters: 1. Huron (Corrie Wroblewski, Kaite Dawson, Heather Ginninger, Keri McClellan), 10:21.2; 2. Mercy, 10:23.3; 3. Stevenson, 10:35.2; 4. Salem, 10:40.3; 5. Brighton, 10:44.2; 6. Farmington, 10:48.2.

Shuttle Hurdles: 1. Farmington (Susan Davidson, Dawn Montrose, Marissa Ferrari, Shell Gaul), 1:10.2; 2. Salem, 1:11.3; 3. Adian, 1:11.3; 4. Brighton, 1:13.0; 5. Western, 1:17.1; 6. Canton, 1:17.4.

800 Relay: 1. Farmington (Carrie Maier, Nicole Tocco, Amy Trunk, Angie Forge), 1:51.8; 2. Huron, 1:52.1; 3. Stevenson, 1:52.4; 4. Salem, 1:53.5; 5. Brighton, 1:53.6; 6. Bishop Borgess, 1:53.7.

Distance Medley: 1. Central (Chana Barton, Johnson, Yuh), 13:30; 2. Brighton, 13:40.5; 3. Bishop Borgess, 13:51.6; 4. Huron, 13:52.5; 5. Canton, 13:57.3; 6. Farmington, 14:02.4.

400 Meters: 1. Farmington (Jennifer Reed, Shell Gaul, Carrie Maier, Angie Forge), 51.4; 2. Huron, 53.2; 3. Wayne, 53.4; 4. Salem, 54.0; 5. Central, 54.1; 6. Mercy, 54.1.

300 Hurdles: 1. Stevenson (Dana Sherwood, Lisa Christman, Dana Carlson, Torja Samol), 3:28; 2. Churchill, 3:29.4; 3. Salem, 3:31.1; 4. Farmington, 3:34; 5. Adian, 3:34.3; 6. Canton, 3:34.4; Individual best: Christman, Stevenson, 48.1.

Sprint Medley: 1. Adian (Lisa Hickman, Genee McDonald, Shelley Davis, Lashanda Crowe), 3:00.2; 2. Wayne, 3:06.8; 3. Central, 3:07.0; 4. Stevenson, 3:11.9; 5. Huron, 3:12; 6. Salem, 3:14.7.

Throwers Relay: 1. Bishop Borgess (Alana McLean, Maier, Pui Hoes, Tanisha Stokes), 59:0.2; 2. Canton, 59:6.3; 3. Farmington, 1:00.4; 4. Brighton, 1:00.6; 5. Salem, 1:01.3; 6. Mercy, 1:02.8.

1,600 Meters: 1. Huron (Heather Ginninger, Terri Payne, Keri McClellan, Erika Davis), 4:16.8; 2. Farmington, 4:17.5; 3. Church, 4:19.1; 4. Stevenson, 4:19.7; 5. Canton, 4:20.1; 6. Bishop Borgess, 4:22.3.

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