

## Sports

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## Marlins rebound with win

Farmington Hills Mercy made overmatched Redford Thurston pay for its loss to Catholic League rival Livonia Ladywood Friday.

The Marlins, 5-1 overall, posted a 10-0 shutout over Thurston following their 2-1 setback at Ladywood on Thursday.

Mercy attempted 41 shots while Eagles managed only four against a defense led by sweeper Carrie Bowler. Renee Larrabee was in goal for the Marlins.

"The girls really came to play today," Mercy coach Henry Klimes said. "They (Thurston) were watching us instead of confronting us, and the girls really took advantage of that."

Michelle Geyer and Kathryn Dudley led the Marlins with three goals apiece. Each scored two first-half goals to help Mercy build a 6-0 advantage.

Dana Lehmkuhl, Kathy McDonald, Laurie Chapp and Suzie Atchinson scored the other goals, and Lehmkuhl and Anne Scullen had two assists apiece. Dudley and McDonald assisted on one goal each.

On Thursday, Ladywood broke its jinx against the Marlins, taking their first victory over Mercy in four years.

Goals by Cassie Ozog and Suzie Weidenbach gave Ladywood a 2-0 lead, and the Blazers held on despite a late goal by the Marlins' Kathy McDonald. Kathryn Dudley assisted on the goal.

Several fullbacks played stellar games for Ladywood, including Nicole Higginson, Christa Ozog, Amy Morelli, Katie Farakas and Janet Davis.

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Kathryn Dudley scored three goals Friday to help the Marlins demolish Redford Thurston 10-0 in non-league soccer play. Mercy moved back to .500 with the victory, putting its overall record at 5-5-1.

## Raiders make loser of Glenn

Most of the baseball season's been a struggle for North Farmington, but Friday the Raiders shocked Westland John Glenn 9-6 at North.

The win improved North's record to 5-10. It was only Glenn's second loss in 13 games; the Rockets are 7-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Lakes Division.

The Raiders had leads of 5-0 after three innings and 8-2 after four before Glenn rallied to within 9-6 midway through the sixth. Jack Herberholz and Jerry Hakala had two hits (Herberholz's were both doubles) and drove in two runs apiece, and Herberholz scored three runs for the Raiders.

Joe Sturtz clubbed a three-run home run in the third inning to increase North's lead to five runs, and Chris White also scored three times. Andrew Margolick was the starter and winning pitcher for the Raiders, but he needed relief help from Tim McEvilly. Margolick lasted 5 1/2 innings and gave up six runs on six hits and two walks, striking out two. McEvilly did not give up a run in 1 1/2 innings, allowing two hits and a walk.

"We've been playing like this all season," said North coach Irv Horowitz. "We've been giving up big innings, but we held them off today."

Bobby Lawrence started and took the loss for Glenn, lasting just 3 1/2 innings. Bryant Satterlee and Jerry Koester had two hits apiece for the Rockets, with Satterlee knocking in two runs.

STEVENSON 8, FARMINGTON 6: Livonia Stevenson rallied for three runs in the sixth inning to tie Farmington, then got a two-run homer from Jason Cotton in the bottom of the eighth to win Friday at Stevenson.

The Falcons scored all six of their runs on six hits and a walk in the fourth, to take a 6-3 lead. Kevin

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Young had three hits and Chris Schmid two for Farmington.

Brian Piergenelli slashed a two-out, two-run single in the sixth that tied the game for the Spartans, and Scott Koskowiak had a two-run double in the third. Rob Chanko had two hits and scored two runs for Stevenson.

Paul Namel was the winning pitcher in relief of Doug Wasserman, who lasted just three innings and gave up five runs. Namel hurled the final five innings and was charged with just one run.

FRANKLIN 15, HARRISON 4: Farmington Harrison's first Western Division loss was by no small margin Wednesday against Livonia Franklin at Harrison. The setback was the Hawks' third straight, after they had opened the season with six wins in a row.

Jason Lichtman was the losing pitcher. Franklin, 3-7 overall, got three hits — including a pair of two-run homers in the first two innings — from Joe Hamsley and three hits and four RBI from Craig Overalls. Jeff Graham and Jeff Benyo added three hits apiece (Benyo's were two doubles and a triple), and Scott Markovich contributed two hits.

Rob MacDonald had two hits for the Hawks, including a two-run homer in the first inning. But the Patriots were up 6-4 after two and poured in nine runs in the final two innings to win easily.

On Friday, Harrison got back to winning by sweeping Walled Lake Western 6-3 and 4-3.

## Chargers win sleet-shortened relays

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Livonia Churchill coach Fred Price instructed his track athletes to score early in the Observersland Relays and have the Chargers in contention at the end.

He just never expected the end to come as soon as it did.

When snow and sleet covered the Churchill track and infield halfway through the meet Saturday night, officials decided to cancel the remaining six events, and the Chargers were crowned champions for the eighth time in the 19-year history of the relays.

In winning its first Observersland title since 1985, Churchill scored 54 points in nine of the first 10 events and had an 11-point lead over Westland John Glenn when the meet was stopped. The top five included Redford Catholic Central, defending champion Wayne Memorial and 1987 winner Plymouth Salem.

"We'll gladly take the trophy," Price said, "but we would like to have it under the full terms so it wouldn't be tainted or have an asterisk next to it."

"IT'S A GOOD ending because you're ahead," he added, "but it's disappointing because there were a lot of exciting events still to come." Despite the unusual turn of events — it was the first time the meet had been cut short by foul weather — the Chargers fully expected to be among the contenders for the duration.

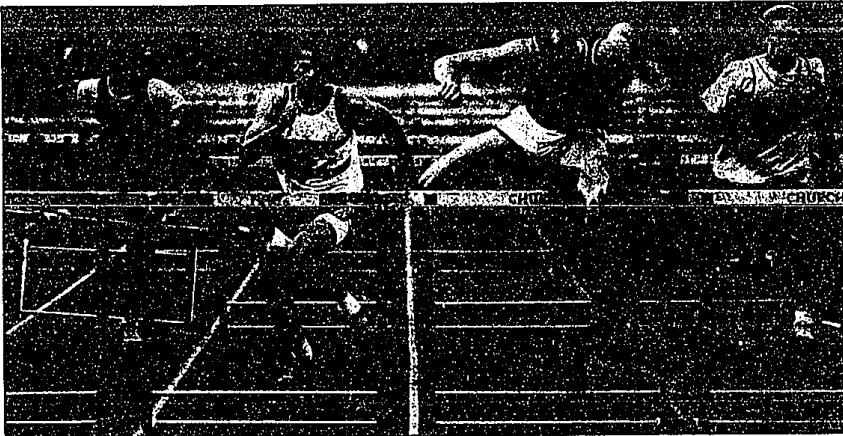
Jason Belaire had Churchill's lone first place, winning the 110-meter high hurdles in 14.7 and tying the record held by Paul Bialowicz (Bishop Borgess) and Mike White (Salem).

But the Chargers scored in all of the field events and were runners-up in the discus, shot put and high jump relay, and in the pole vault and fifth in the long jump. Belaire also had the best individual high jump at 6-4.

The only event Churchill didn't score in was the distance medley. The Chargers were fourth in the last two events to be contested — the 800 relay and open 1,600 in which Scott Westover placed.

"It would have been exciting to see who could have gotten hold of us," Price said, adding he thought Churchill was capable of maintaining its lead in the remaining events.

"WE FELT WE would be able to score in all but the sprint medley. A



Jason Belaire of Livonia Churchill (second from right) tied an Observersland Relays record in winning the 110-meter high hurdles in 14.7 seconds Saturday night. Salem's Roger Parry (far right) was third. The other hurdlers are Pierre Hixon of Wayne

lot of those speed teams cut each other up.

"Once we got the start we did, scoring with only two pole vaulters, we said 'Hey, we're going to be in this thing,'" he added.

Churchill's points in the pole vault came from Brian Kert, who had the individual best at 11-6, and Troy Henderson. The high jump has always been a team strength, with Belaire, Mike Picha and Scott Malcolmson doing it this year.

The results of the shot put (Scott Porter, Kurt Roth and Jeff Britton) and long jump (Mark Venuto, Trent Naumcheff and Picha) provided unexpected bonuses for Churchill.

The team's fourth places in the early running events were the work of Naumcheff, Belaire, Venuto and Don Kulka, Chris Sepanski and Steve Townsend in the 6,400.

"Those aren't blue-ribbon things, but those are the things that add up," Price said. "That's always been a

Churchill trademark, not necessarily winning but getting points. That's why this team is built on depth."

GLENN COULD only wonder about what might have been. The Rockets also fared well early in the meet, scoring in six of 10 events and winning the high jump and distance medley.

As for Glenn coach Richard Gordon, the record book might indicate co-winners for the 1989 meet — and the other isn't the Rockets.

"Mother Nature wins this one," Gordon said. "It's too bad it can't be rescheduled, but getting the officials and timers back is a chore in itself. A meet isn't over until the mile relay. At least we didn't get cobbered."

Glenn runner Steve Wiseloy wasn't as gracious in accepting the outcome and decision not to reschedule.

"Churchill wouldn't have had a chance," he said. "They were done (when the sleet started to fall). They

didn't have anything else left."

Officials decided not to continue Saturday night because of the risk it would pose for the athletes, and it was not rescheduled because of commitments by various teams to other meets on upcoming weekends.

Wiseloy combined with teammates David Ryan and Greg Anderson to win the high jump, edging Churchill and CC. Anderson led the Rockets with a leap of 8-2.

ANDERSON AND Ryan also were on the winning medley relay team, which included Carl Lowe and Jim Zurawski. The Rockets and Plymouth Canton were even with one lap to go, but Ryan showed an excellent kick over the last 100 meters and won going away.

Wayne was minus some of its athletes who went to Cedar Point on another school function, but the Zebras managed to win the long jump and 800 relay.

Duregh Tatum had the best long

jump at 21-1/4 and teamed with Barton Nelson and Allen Buford to beat each Glenn for first place. Buford, Demetrius Welch, Dave Rodriguez and Carlos Horne covered the 800 meters in 1:31.27.

Catholic Central's foursome of Dave Galvin, Chris Antczak, Jeff Pedewes and Mike Sheridan captured first place in the 4,000 relay, and North Farmington's Jason Kocembo won the open 1,600, which ended just as the sleet began to fall at 8:25 p.m.

Redford Union's Chris Woodbeck, Mike Bianchi and Eric Sheppard comprised the top pole vault team as each made 11 feet. Sheppard also had the best discus throw at 105-1, but Northville was the team winner at that event.

Farmington Hills Harrison was a medal winner in the shot put. Tony Shalek led the Hawks with an individual best of 47-3/4 and was supported by teammates Cres Cove and Blazo Sarkovich.

## 19th ANNUAL OBSERVERSLAND TRACK RELAYS

Saturday at Livonia Churchill

BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Churchill, 54 points; 2. Westland John Glenn, 42; 3. Redford Catholic Central, 40; 4. (tie) Wayne Memorial and Plymouth Salem, 32 each; 5. North Farmington, 20; 7. Redford Union, 17; 8. (tie) Farmington Harrison and Farmington, 15 each; 10. Northville, 14; 11. Plymouth Canton, 11; 12. Livonia Stevenson, 10; 13. Garden City, 6; 14. Livonia Franklin, 5; 15. (tie) Redford Bishop Borgess and Plymouth Christian, 4 each.

## FINAL RESULTS

Discus: 1. Northville (Eric Elmorie, Bob Dudley and Chris Kuttner), 352 feet, 3 tosses; 2. Churchill, 290-7; 3. N. Farmington, 366-1; 4. Farmington, 379-4; 5. Redford Union, 375-1; 6. Harrison, 367-4. Individual best: Eric Sheppard (RU), 150-1.

Shot put: 1. Harrison (Chris Cove, Tony Shalek and Blazo Sarkovich), 100-3/4; 2. Churchill, 127-6; 3. Wayne, 127-1/4; 4. Farmington, 125-4; 5. N. Farmington, 124-1/2; 6. Salem, 120-4. Individual best: Tony Shalek (Harrison), 47-3/4.

Long jump: 1. Wayne (Marlon Helms, Allen Buford and Darren Tatum), 60-11; 2. John Glenn, 59-3/4; 3. Salem, 57-2; 4. Northville, 55-10; 5. Churchill, 55-10; 6. Canton, 55-8. Individual best: Darren Tatum (Wayne), 21-1/4.

High jump: 1. John Glenn (David Ryan, Steve Wiseloy and Greg Anderson), 15-0; 2. Churchill, 17-10; 3. Redford CC, 17-4; 4. Redford Union, 17-4; 5. Salem, 11-6; 6. Garden City, 11-0. Individual best: Jason Belaire (Churchill), 6-4.

Pole vault: 1. Redford Union (Chris Woodbeck, Mike Bianchi and Eric Sheppard), 33-0; 2. John Glenn, 27-0; 3. Churchill, 20-4; 4. Stevenson, 20-0; 5. N. Farmington, 19-4; 6. Franklin, 11-0. Individual best: Evan Kert (Churchill), 11-0.

4,000-meter relay: 1. Redford CC (Dave Galvin, Chris Antczak, Jeff Pedewes and Mike Sheridan), 16:29.82; 2. Salem, 16:53.45; 3. Farmington, 19:02.34; 4. Churchill, 19:29.03; 5. Wayne, 19:49.06; 6. John Glenn, 19:54.29.

110 hurdles: 1. Jason Belaire (Churchill), 14.7 (see meet record); 2. Jeff Belack (Redford CC), 15.0; 3. Roger Parry (Salem), 15-4; 4. Brad Armstrong (Garden City), 15-0; 5. Pierre Hixon (Wayne), 16-0; 6. John Pelt (RU), 16-2.

Distance medley: 1. John Glenn (Carl Lowe, Greg Anderson, Jim Zurawski and Scott Roth), 10:54.88; 2. Canton, 10:58.25; 3. Stevenson, 11:03.25; 4. Harrison, 11:08.32; 5. Wayne, 11:18.24; 6. Salem, 11:19.01.

800 relay: 1. Wayne (Allen Buford, Demetrius Welch, Dave Rodriguez and Carlos Horne), 1:31.27; 2. Redford CC, 1:32.0; 3. John Glenn, 1:32.40; 4. Churchill, 1:34.22; 5. Salem, 1:34.40; 6. Garden City, 1:34.6.

1,600 run: 1. Jason Kocembo (N. Farmington), 4:31.35; 2. Jeff Pedewes (Churchill), 4:35.3; 3. Scott Roth (Salem), 4:34.55; 4. Scott Westover (Churchill), 4:44.75; 5. Brian Bialowicz (Canton), 4:51.77; 6. Paul Grant (Farmington), 4:52.33.

Note: The 3,000 relay, open 100 dash, points medley, shuttle hurdle relay, 400 relay and 1,600 relay were canceled because of inclement weather.