

Marlins trounce Gallagher

Farmington Hills Mercy won its second Catholic League dual meet Tuesday, thumping Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher 103-29 at Mercy.

The Marlins swept the relays and won every individual event with the exception of the 100 hurdles, the high jump and the long jump.

Jeannette Turner, Kim Cook and Lauren Hood were double winners for Mercy.

Turner won the shot put (31-8) and discus (113-10), Cook the 100 dash (13.6) and 200 dash (28.1) and Hood the 400 run (1:02.2) and 800 run (2:38.7).

Heather Noll was first in the 1600 run with a 5:49.9 time, and Carrie Walton won the 3200 at 12:54.0. Mary Beth Strand did the 300 hurdles in 53.2.

The foursome of Cook, Kristin Lewis, Strand and Kathy Cook won the 400 and 800 relays in 54.2 and 1:57.9, respectively.

Heather Sullivan, Megan Lombardi, Kathleen Gorick and Hood comprised the winning 1600 relay

girls track

team (4:30), and Judi Rosowski, Walton, Brooke Mansour and Cara McDonagh won the 3200 relay (11:52.9).

PLYMOUTH CANTON opened defense of its Western Division girls track title Tuesday with an impressive victory over Farmington Hills Harrison.

The Chiefs hope to win their sixth consecutive championship, and the visiting Hawks were expected to be among the challengers again.

After breezing past Harrison 80-48 at Centennial Educational Park, Canton could be headed for another first-place finish.

The Chiefs, 1-0 in dual meets, had double winners in Hoena Okumabua and Amy Smith.

Okumabua won the shot put (30-10) and the discus (96-8), and Smith excelled in the distance runs, running the 1600-meter race in 6:08.3 and the 3200 in 14:03.8.

Canton swept the field events with Stephanie Gray winning the high jump (5-9) and Jessica Souter the long jump (15-10).

Karina Kipelaenen had the best 100 hurdles time at 16.3, and the Chiefs had two other winners in opening events. Alicia King won the 200 dash (28.2) and Kim Gudeth the 800 run (2:31.2).

Canton, however, won only one relay — via being the 3200 in which Gudeth, Christie Saffron, Monica Pellow and Adrienne Garrow combined for a 10:53.5 time.

Harrison's Colleen Heinzenman captured the 300 hurdles (51.8), Heather Conley the 100 dash (13.6) and Audra Cockerham the 400 run (1:04.4).

The Hawks, 0-1 in the division, had relay times of 53.7 in the 400, 1:53.1 in the 800 and 4:27.4 in the 1600.

Chiefs win own relays title

By Dan O'Meara
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Plymouth Canton's girls track team relied on superior depth and possibly its youth to win the Lady Chief Relays for the second time in three years Saturday.

Canton scored 69 points to edge runner-up Adrian (65) and distance itself from contenders Farmington Hills Mercy (49) and Plymouth Salem (40). Defending champion Livonia Stevenson was fifth with 39 points.

"The key point is that we scored in 12 of the 13 scoring events," Canton coach George Przygodski said. "In a meet with so many teams and individuals, you have to score in a lot of events, and we had the depth to be able to do that."

With the meet taking place on the final weekend of spring break this year, the Chiefs, who double, have enjoyed an advantage with the number of young but talented athletes on their team.

"I can't speak for the other teams, but we have a young team," Przygodski said. "And when you have young kids they tend to stay in town as opposed to the older kids."

"WE DID have our share of kids who weren't there. You have to run with the kids you have, and obviously we were pleased with the results." — the shuttle hurdle relay in which Karina Kipelaenen, Angela Fountain, Kristina Kozuch and Michelle Lee comprised the winning foursome — but they were second in four others and finished no lower than fifth in seven others.

In addition to the shuttle hurdle unit that set school

and meet records with its time of 1:02.2, Przygodski cited the performances of Kim Gudeth, who ran a pair of 800s and 400s, and distance runners Amy Smith and Adrienne Garrow, both of whom ran in the 3200 and 1600 relays.

The 300-meter hurdle team of Tricia Rouso, Kalee Smith and Michelle Lee also received praise from Przygodski. Hoena Okumabua excelled in the shot put and discus, helping the Chiefs to fifth-place finishes in those events, and Kristy Brugger ran three strong races, he added.

Unlike two years ago when the Chiefs made up a huge difference late in the meet to win, Canton was in contention all along this time.

In addition to the weight events and shuttle hurdles, the Chiefs placed third in the eight-mile and 3200 relays, fourth in the long jump and fifth in the 800 relay in the first half of the meet.

"WE WERE in the meet the whole way," Przygodski said. "We were scoring in every event, so we didn't fall behind by a lot. We had a lot of thirds, fourths and fifths that kept us in position to finish where we did."

Canton finished second in the distance medley — the ninth event — but still trailed Mercy by one point.

But the Chiefs finished strong, scoring 29 points in the last four events. They were second in the sprint medley and 300 hurdles, tied for second in the high jump and placed third in the 1600 relay.

Redford Bishop Borgess won the 800, 400 and 1600 relays, and Salem was first in the 300 hurdles and high jump. Mercy won the eight-mile run, Livonia Franklin the 3200 relay and Stevenson the shot put.

Salem, Canton battle to draw

By Dan O'Meara
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The final score was the same so it was not unusual that the two coaches had the same impression of Monday's girls soccer game.

Don Smith and Ken Johnson applauded their defenses and talked of the valuable experience gained by their younger players after state-ranked powers Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem battled to a 2-2 draw.

With both teams returning from spring break and not having played a game in 14 days, neither coach was giving his team the edge.

"This was our first really big game," Johnson of Salem said. "After the holiday, we have some adjusting and catching up to do."

"Whoever lost would have been thinking they were a little unlucky. No team really grabbed hold of it."

BOTH COACHES attributed that, in part at least, to the play of their defenses.

The Rocks (1-0-2) scored first but Canton (2-0-1) took a 2-1 halftime lead on a pair of Jenny Russell goals.

Salem, however, had advantage for much of the second half, but the Chiefs survived the pressure.

"Our freshman sweeper and keeper did a good job," Smith of Canton said. "This was a good test for us. We know we can play with anybody now. Nobody is going to blow us away by any means. We felt bad about tying, but we know we're ready."

Playing No. 5-rated Salem, Smith said, was good experience for Kathy Bahr, the new sweeper, and goalie Jori Welchans, who stepped 10 of 11

soccer

shots in the second half and 16 of 18 for the game.

Their play on defense, as well as that of stopper Erin Morgan (senior) and fullbacks Danielle Meyka (sophomore) and Laurie McNamara (junior) were crucial to preserving the tie, according to Smith.

Salem pulled even early in the second half on sophomore Lisa Ferguson's goal, but the Rocks, who scored both goals on corner throw-ins, continued to press the attack but without additional success.

"I THINK we got tired," Smith said. "Usually, we come on strong in the second half. I think they wore us down. We'll have to work a little harder."

"They had a little momentum in the second half and were taking it to us, although we could easily have won it there."

Ninth-rated Canton broke out of its end late in the second half for one of its few chances, a good one that was foiled by defender Jennifer Marshall and keeper Jenny Emmett.

Freshman forward Colleen Connell and Russell had a 2-on-1 breakaway, but Emmett came out of goal to snuff a shot by Connell. Marshall then screened off Russell, the All-American, to keep her from scoring while Emmett was out of position.

"Our whole defense did well except for Russell hurting us with her speed," Johnson said. "I thought Marshall had a great game. She had the job of marking Russell, but there

wasn't anything she could do on the free kick (on which Russell scored her first goal).

"We had a lot of chances on pressure, but we could easily have lost by one. Emmett made some big plays, too. They were good on breakaways. We'd play down there for 10 (minutes), and they'd get a breakaway."

SALEM SCORED early in the game when Erin Harvey used a header to convert Amy Krajewski's throw-in, the first of two assists by her.

"She did that three or four times last year," said Johnson of Krajewski, "and she got into a routine of doing that. It's one of the strongest, for a girl, that you'll see."

"Amy had a good field game, too. She was kinda the hero, because (all-state forward Michele) Minton was pretty well held."

Russell, following an interference call against Marshall, tied the game with her direct free kick, and she later took a pass from Connell in front of the Salem goal to put the Chiefs ahead at halftime.

"Russell's a tough player," said Smith of Russell, who played all but a few minutes. "I have to get her out of there and give her a break, but when the pressure is on we need the offense."

"But when we're tired we're not going to get any offense, either. She'd never admit to being tired, but I have to get her out for a rest."

Welchans tipped the throw-in leading to Krajewski's second assist but couldn't hold it, and Ferguson redirected the rebound for the tying goal at 37:30 in the second half.

Marauders regain Open Cup title

What was lost has been regained. The Redford Marauders soccer team saw to that, recapturing the Michigan Amateur Open Cup in a five-team tournament by blanking defending champion Red Light 2-0 Sunday at Bicentennial Park.

Bud Light beat the Marauders in the first round of Cup play last year and went on to the state title. The Marauders had won the previous two state championships.

It was different this time, although Bud Light — which is comprised mainly of Michigan State players — dominated the action.

There was strategy behind the Marauders' play, though. As coach Nick O'Shea explained, "We set back a lot of the time and let them have the ball. They have a lot of Michigan State guys who play five or six days a week, while our guys are all working. We couldn't run with them for 90 minutes."

THE LIMITED substitution rule, which allows only two substitutions a match per team, made O'Shea's plan a necessity. His brother, Brian O'Shea, made it work by making several spectacular saves.

"He'd be the man of the match," said Nick.

Both Marauder goals were netted by Bobby Neumann, and both came on headers. The first came at the 65-

minute mark, with the assist going to a third O'Shea, midfielder Dan. Five minutes later, Neumann scored again. Rob Ludwig assisted.

The victory puts the Marauders into the national competition and their first test will be a difficult one. They host the defending national champions, the American Athletic Club Eagles, at 2 p.m. Sunday at

Livonia's Jaycee Club (on Mayfield, south of Eight Mile and east of Farmington roads).

It won't be the first meeting between the two. The Marauders have played the Eagles twice before, losing both. "They have some older guys who played in the World Cup," said Nick O'Shea.

MINCH WINS REGION

Wendy Minch, a junior at Westland John Glenn High, captured the Level 10, topping 45 competitors to win senior age group all-around title with a score of 73.05 at the U.S. Gymnastics Federation Region V meet held last weekend at Lansing Eastern High School.

A member of the Farmington Gymnastics Club, Minch advances to the USGF Nationals, May 11-13 in Indianapolis, Ind.

She is coached by Dave Kuczara.

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HEALTH SCREENING

The annual pre-athletic health screening for all 1990-91 male and female athletes in the Farmington Public Schools system will be Tuesday, May 22, at North Farmington High School. The cost is \$8 (cash only).

The times will be 5:30-6:30 p.m. for middle school sports participants

and 6:30-8 p.m. for high school athletes.

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