

Hawk golfers eager to get back in swing

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In his 19 years of coaching boys golf at Farmington Hills Harrison, Bill Spencer has had his good moments and his not-so-good moments.

Unfortunately for Spencer, it's been several years since his Hawks have had scores lower than the summer temperatures.

"It all goes in cycles and right now I think we're trying to get back to where we used to be," Spencer said. The Hawks won the Oakland County championship in the mid 1980s but haven't been successful since.

Harrison is coming off a 2-9 season and started the year by finishing last out of 12 teams in tournament play at Kenington Golf Course.

Despite their recent struggles in the Western Lakes Activities Association, the Hawks have finished in the top 10 in the Class B regionals the past three years.

"Competing in Class B definitely makes a difference — just look at the number of students that attend the schools and how many go out for the golf team," Spencer said. "Competing against Class A teams does hurt in terms of the league."

Spencer knows that if Harrison is to improve, his teaching abilities will be challenged. Harrison lost its top golfer from a year ago, Steve Hagopian, and returns only two experienced golfers.

Juniors Darren Ebner and Mike LaCasse average in the 90s, according to Spencer, who knows the entire team's scores must decrease.

"How well we do this year will depend on how quick we improve, because we won't win with our scores right now," Spencer said.

Freshman Sean Firth, senior Jason Dreier and junior Chris Cardoni will also see a lot of time on the fairways. Sophomore Jason Secepanik is also expected to contribute.

This is Dreier's first year of golf after playing a couple years of

football. Spencer said Dreier has a strong game off the tee but needs to improve on his short game and that's where Spencer, an avid golfer, comes in.

"He hits the ball real far, and I think I can help him with his 100-yards-and-in game — that's my strong point," Spencer said.

NORTH FARMINGTON

A few weeks ago, North Farmington boys golf coach Daryl Case thought his team would contend for the Western Lakes Activities Association title, but now he's not sure. Two of North's top players decided to leave the team for personal reasons, giving Case less than a week to find replacements.

Natos Nishiyama, a Japanese exchange student, went back to Japan, while Jay Lundgren moved to Idaho.

"They're two of my top five golfers," Case said. "Now I'm forced to take some of my best men and throw them right in there. It's something I didn't want to do."

"Now, instead of knowing that we'd be a good team, I'm really not sure how good we'll be," Case said. The return, who tied for fourth in the WLA last season, will return a pair of seniors, Jim Mell and Dan Stein, along with junior Eric Wilson.

"Eric Wilson is probably our top golfer at this point," Case said. "He is really playing well right now. He and Scott Stienlauf are a great one-two punch."

Stienlauf, a freshman, hasn't topped a tournament yet this season but has proven himself in practice rounds.

"We had Scott entered in the Pine Lake Invitational, but he was forced to withdraw because of allergies," Case said. "He should be a nice addition to the team."

North's other top golfers are freshman Drew Sopha and sophomore Matthew Nathan.

"I honestly thought we'd be better than what we are," Case said. "But right now the team isn't even established, so it's hard to tell whether or not we'll be good."

Powers defeats Salem in opener

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Rankings are often ignored early in the season, but release of the first statewide girls basketball poll this week gave added meaning Tuesday to the First Powers-Plymouth Salem contest.

The matchup between the No. 2 team (Powers) and No. 13 (Salem) created a level of interest in a season opener that is usually reserved for tournament games in November.

The visiting Chargers, considered the preseason favorite in Class B, defeated the host Rocks 49-35 behind 27 points and 15 rebounds from senior Lisa Negri, touted as one of the top players in the state.

The 6-foot-2 Negri led a furious second-quarter rally, which saw Powers outscore the Rocks 14-2. The Chargers, 23-2 last year, made 21 of 32 free throws, and Negri was the leader, converting 13 of 15 attempts.

The Rocks, coming off a 22-4 season highlighted by a trip to the Class A semifinals, took an 8-4 lead after two layups and a jumper by senior Darle Miller, one of three returning starters. Junior Cyndi Platter's two baskets helped keep the Rocks on top, 10-8.

PLATTER SCORED a team-high 10 points and collected six steals, and Miller, who was in foul trouble most of the game, added eight points.

"In the beginning, we looked awful but we weren't really playing bad," Powers coach Kathy McGee said. "You have to attribute some of that to Salem's defense."

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The Chargers used their height and speed for a 12-0 run to begin the second quarter. After making five free throws — four by Negri — senior Noelle Beaudry hit a layup to make it 17-10. After a three-point play by Negri, Melanie Shooskey stole a Salem pass, drove the length of the court and made the score 20-10.

"Our strategy, when we play a talent like Negri, is to play her as hard as we can for as long as we can," Salem coach Fred Thomann said. "I thought Emily Giulliani did a good job on her, and Darle won't be playing against her every game."

The Rocks ended their drought with 49 seconds left in the half on a jumper by Giulliani. Salem committed nine turnovers in the quarter, and Miller spent most of the quarter on the bench.

"We had a little lull in the second quarter and couldn't score," Thomann said. "Darle was in foul trouble and her not being in the game hurt us offensively. But we turned the ball over a few times, and we had a couple shots but couldn't make them."

"WE CAME out in the second quarter and put most pressure on the ball, but we didn't change much else," McGee said. Salem made a comeback attempt midway in

the third quarter. After Powers opened up a 25-16 lead, a Platter jumper and two Giulliani free throws cut the margin to six. But the Chargers held off Salem and took a 30-23 lead into the final quarter.

Powers took control of the game with an 8-2 run and hit nine free throws down the stretch to put the game out of reach, but Thomann was pleased with the play of his team in its first game.

"It was a great way to start the season," he said. "We played a great team, had a great crowd and played a great game. I told the team that we're not going to hang our heads; we're just going to come out and practice hard tomorrow."

Although fans of both teams were talking about the rankings, coaches and players viewed the subject differently.

"The rankings didn't matter," said the 6-1 Beaudry, who added 10 points and five rebounds and also is rated one of the top players in the state. "Some of us came out with some butterflies in our stomachs, including myself, because it was our first game of the year. But the rankings never really mattered."

MCCEE SAID that maintaining the high ranking was not a concern.

"The players take pride in that they are respected throughout the state, but I don't think that will ever make them cocky or complacent," she said.

"We have some fine basketball players, but they weren't born that way. They have worked hard and that work has gotten them where they are right now."

North loses lead, game to Lakers

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minutes left in regulation time.

But North missed two one-and-one free throw opportunities and a layup to leave the door open for a Lakers comeback. The Raiders also lost starters Carey Perkins and Becky MacIntyre in foul trouble in the fourth quarter, leaving North with only five players.

West Bloomfield's Erin Lucas made four free throws and Kelly Conover, who led the Lakers with 12 points, sent the game into overtime tied at 42 when she sank a layup with 13 seconds remaining. The Lakers outscored North 10-2 in the overtime.

"It was a grand opportunity for us to win the game, but the mixed layup and free throws came back to haunt us," North coach Lance Davis said. "It hurt because it was our game to win."

North was down 18-6 early in the game but rallied to lead 34-27 after three periods. Perkins scored nine points and freshman Alisha Gordon eight in the middle quarters, and Karen Seremet and Macek added five apiece in the third.

Perkins, a sophomore center, led the Raiders with 15 points, Gordon finished with 12 and Seremet added seven in addition to playing a great

girls basketball

floor game, Davis said. Perkins and Gordon also had six rebounds each.

BRIGHTON 50, HARRISON 53: Junior center Heather Hopkins scored 17 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to lead the Hawks, who led 22-21 at halftime but were outscored 39-31 in the second half.

Sophomore Amanda Ault scored 14 points for Harrison, and freshman Krista Snow added eight points and six rebounds.

"We didn't take care of the ball enough (in the second half), and the defensive transition killed us," Harrison coach Pete Mantyla said.

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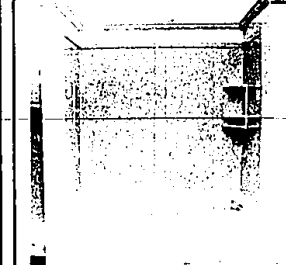
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