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FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

Hawks post grid win

Farmington Hills Harrison snapped its three-game football losing streak in a big way Friday night, routing host Livonia Churchill 39-0.

The Hawks are 1-4 in the Western Division and 3-3 overall. The Chargers are 0-4 and 0-6.

Quarterback Key Smith, who ran 34 yards to the Churchill 27, capped a 68-yard drive in the first quarter with a 5-yard run. Brock Gove kicked the first of three extra points.

The Hawks blocked a punt and Ed Kennedy recovered at the Churchill 22. That led to a 16-yard TD pass from Smith to Brendan Cotter.

Harrison made it 19-0 at the end of the first quarter when Kevin Bryant ran 11 yards. The Chargers had fumbled on first down, and Harrison's Gary Lesperance fell on it at the Churchill 42. Harrison scored six plays later.

Jeff Cielo passed 20 yards to Smith in the second quarter, giving the Hawks a 25-0 halftime lead. Cielo passed 34 yards to Dave Golezner and Sam Petros 11 yards to Dave Butcher for second-half TDs.

Bryant rushed 14 times for 107 yards, Dave Hensel five for 75. Smith added 44 to the Harrison total of 287. Cielo was 6-of-6 passing for 91 yards, Smith 2-of-2 for 53.

Churchill was held to 40 yards in total offense and five first downs, two by penalty. The Hawks play at Northville on Friday.

Else fastest in Hills run

Terry Else of Farmington Hills was the men's overall winner in the Run Through The Hills 10K run Oct. 6. Else finished with a time of 32:25 in the 30-39 age division.

Leanne White was first in the women's 19-29 competition with an overall best time of 45:20. The other men's age winners were David Peterson (19-29), John Loeffen (40-49) and Chris Johnson (50-59).

The respective second and third runners were Keith Wilkinson and Dana Vold (19-29), Alan Van Meter and Max Antkowiak (30-39), Robert Reider and Richard Weaver (40-49), Norman Dickson and Kenneth Brown (50-59).

The other women's age winners were Erin Schwartz (18-under), Wendy Schulman (30-39) and Marion Wright (50-59). Kristine Kirsten (19-29) and Linda Stockton (30-39) were second.

The top three runners in the women's fun run were Jaime Brenner, Noksano Shinako and Mary Potts. The best in the men's division were Kevin Sherwood, Barrett Baker and Andrew Wantuck.

North boys clip Salem

North Farmington won an important Lakes Division dual meet in boys cross country Thursday, 26-30 over Plymouth Salem at Oakland Community College.

The victory keeps the Raiders unbeaten at 3-0 in the division and 8-0 overall. The Rocks are 2-1 and 2-2.

Salem's Derek Cudini was the individual winner at 16:49, but North had the next three and four in the top six.

Tom Stamboulis was second (17:27), Jeff Howie third (17:35), Brian Rajul fourth (17:38) and Paul Simpson sixth (17:54). Jordan Soffin was 11th (18:45) and completed the North scoring.

"I'm really proud of the guys," North coach Paul Welch said. "All of them ran very well, and the times keep coming down every week."

(Stamboulis) ran a lot of miles in the summer, and I'm really happy for him because everything is coming together for him."

Salem's top five included Justin Richardson, fifth (17:48); Andy McDonald, seventh (18:00); Jamie Miller, eighth (18:14); Jared Biniecki, ninth (18:25); and Russ Polcyn, 10th (18:34).

Falcons trounce Vikings

Dave Clineard ran a personal-best time of 16:43 to lead Farmington to a 16-47 victory over host Walled Lake Central in boys cross country Thursday.

Clineard was first and teammates Tom May (17:34), Kevin Afterbaugh (17:39) and Mike Langdon (17:55) second, third and fourth.

Central's top runner was Bob Donovan in fourth place at 18:01. Farmington's John Lane was sixth (18:03), Tripp Adams seventh (18:09) and Jason Parzuchowski (18:41).

The Falcons 3-1 in the Lakes Division and 4-2 overall.

Salem girls top North

Plymouth Salem demonstrated again Thursday how strong a team it is in girls cross country with a 22-38 win over North Farmington at Oakland Community College.

The Rocks are 3-0 in the Lakes Division and 4-0 overall, the Raiders 2-2 and 6-2.

North's Emily Shively won the race in 19:33 and was just seven seconds off the school record set by Lisa Rives at OCC.

Salem captured the next three places and six of seven. Stacy Witthoff was second (20:33), Leah Retherford third (20:39), Emily Farrell fourth (20:42), Lynde Sebestyen sixth (21:26) and Sarah Hamilton seventh (21:36).

North's Alicia Crossland broke up the Salem pack, finishing 13th (21:19). Kerrie Simpson was ninth and set the freshman course record (22:31). Elaine Wolf was 11th (23:23) with a personal best and Amanda Hough 14th (24:02)."

North can't match powerful Glenn



By BRAD EMONS
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Westland John Glenn has won or shared seven of the last eight Lakes Division football titles in the Western Lakes Activities Association under coach Chuck Gordon. The Rockets blasted North Farmington, 24-0.

The Big Red Machine demolished yet another football opponent Friday.

Westland John Glenn made it six straight without a loss before a large homecoming crowd, scoring a convincing 24-0 win over challenger North Farmington.

Glenn has now outscored the opposition 227-21 for the season, and in the process clinched the Lakes Division crown and a berth in the Western Lakes Activities Association championship game against the winner of Friday's Livonia Franklin-Walled Lake Western game.

The Rockets won convincingly despite two turnovers and nine penalties for 96 yards.

"Those mistakes didn't hurt us to

night, but down the road they could hurt us . . . we've got to be mistake free," Glenn coach Chuck Gordon said. "But this team plays very hard. They've got some good speed and defensively they get to the ball and make things happen."

North, now 3-3 overall, held tough during the opening quarter, allowing only a 35-yard field goal by Glenn's Doug Hammond.

The score was set up by Jeremy Cosby's interception at the North 34.

In the second quarter, Glenn's special teams went to work.

Derek Besco got a place of Scott Lord's punt and Cosby fielded the ball out of mid-air, catching it at his own 47 and racing 53 yards for a touchdown, getting a key block from Bryan Besco. That TD came with

4:45 left in the half.

"We wanted to kick it away from where they were setting up a well for the return," North coach Jim O'Leary explained. "I think our kid (Lord) did the right thing, but we didn't block the guy coming around on the outside."

Glenn then scored right before the half with its hurry-up offense, going 62 yards in only six plays in just over a minute, as Derek Besco, sandwiched between two North defenders, grabbed a 17-yard TD pass from quarterback Bryan Morrison (with only 15 seconds remaining).

The Rockets then went for two (after missing the extra point earlier), scoring when Morrison connected with Besco again (following a 10-yard Glenn penalty), Morrison to Besco again.

"That was a real plus to get on the board before the half," said Gordon, whose team enjoyed a 17-0 halftime lead.

Glenn added another TD early in

the fourth quarter when junior Joe Paddeck, who led all rushers with 100 yards in 16 carries, scored on a nifty 24-yard lake reverse.

Glenn's defense, meanwhile, continued to roll in the second half, holding North's vaunted back, senior Todd Anderson, to only 66 yards in 18 carries. He came into the game with 797 yards.

Anderson had 52 at halftime, but had little room to run in the second half.

"It was a tremendous effort by our defense because he (Anderson) is a quality back who we have a lot of respect for," Gordon said.

North did not complete a pass in eight attempts, including two pickoffs. The Raiders had only 89 yards in total offense to Glenn's 252.

"We haven't thrown it well all year and we just can't rely on Todd," O'Leary said. "He's a tough kid, but he can't carry the team by himself."

"Glenn just physically pounded us. They really did what they wanted to."

Girls basketball rivalry



DAN DEAN/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

No way out: Marian defenders have Mercy's Katie Heffernan surrounded and unable to take a good shot Thursday. The Marins lost 56-30. See story on Page 3C.

Salem outlasts Raiders

By NEAL ZIPSER
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It was raining Thursday night, but lightning didn't strike twice in the same place during the North Farmington-Plymouth Salem girls basketball game.

The Rocks were upset by the Raiders in 1990, and the loss was Salem's only setback in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Salem, two-time defending WLAA champ, entered Thursday's game unbeaten in four league contests. North was no match this time for the Rocks, who ran away in the second half with a 59-38 win.

Salem improved to 5-0 in the WLAA and 5-6 overall. The Raiders fell to 2-3 and 6-5.

North kept the game close by trailing 27-23 at halftime. But the Rocks got their running game going and opened the third quarter with an 11-2 run.

After North scored six unanswered points, Salem scored the next 17 to put the game out of reach.

"I thought our intensity level was higher in the second half," Salem coach Fred Thomann said. "Our intensity level was all right in the first half, but it didn't match their level. It took us a half to realize we had to focus more."

The big Salem spurt was keyed by senior guard Leslie Gots, who scored 11 of her 15 points in the third quarter. Gots led several Salem break breaks, which was the key to the sec-

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Top talent

Farmington's Buha best golfer in WLAA

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Even the rain couldn't dampen Livonia Stevenson's parade Thursday as the Spartans captured the Western Lakes Activities Association boys golf championship at Hudson Mills Metropark near Dexter.

Stevenson, two strokes behind last year's team champ Plymouth Canton, relied on its senior class to overhaul second place Farmington and individual WLAA medalist Jason Buha, 414-424.

North Farmington and Northville finished third and fourth with 426 and 428, respectively, in the 12-school field. (See statistical summary.)

Under occasional showers, the par-71 course played long and tough. The greens were also fast. That didn't effect the talented Buha, one of the state's top golfers, who led Farmington and all competitors with a 3-over-74.

But Stevenson showed more balance, led by senior Mark Peterson, who finished four individually with an 80.

The Spartans also received sterling efforts from Ryan Gueick (82), Todd Leming (84), Chris Deren (84) and Mark Magnusson (84) — all seniors.

"Everybody kept their scores down and nobody blew up, that was the key," said Peterson, who was fifth a year ago. "It rained for awhile and it got kind

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES
ASSOCIATION BOYS GOLF MEET
Thursday at Hudson Mills

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 414 strokes; 2. Farmington, 424; 3. North Farmington, 426; 4. Northville, 428; 5. Livonia Churchill, 431; 6. Plymouth Canton, 439; 7. Walled Lake Central, 440; 8. Westland John Glenn, 448; 9. Plymouth Salem, 450; 10. Walled Lake Western, 461; 11. Farmington Harrison, 447; 12. Livonia Franklin, 491.

ALL-CONFERENCE team: 1. Jason Buha (Farmington), 74 (medalist); 2. Matt Telepo (Northville), 79; 3. Drew Sopha (N. Farmington), 79; 4. Mark Peterson (Stevenson), 80; 5. Wes Barvins (John Glenn), 81.

ALL-DIVISION team: 6. Ryan Gueick (Stevenson), 82; 7. Joe Stearns (Northville), 82; 8. Erik Wilson (N. Farmington), 82; 10. Scott Steinfeld (N. Farmington), 82; 11. Andy Uhlert (Canton), 83; 12. Chris Geeson (John Glenn), 83; 13. Todd Leming (Stevenson), 83; 14. Don Graham (Central), 84; 15. Brad Paskevitch (Canton), 84.

of cold and windy, but it wasn't too bad. The course played long, but if you kept the ball in play, the better chance you had of scoring."

"The greens were nice. It was a true surface and that helps people with a feel for the greens."

Buha defended his title with a five-shot victory over Northville's Matt Telepo and North's Drew Sopha (79 each).

"He's just too consistent. Somehow he always is on the green. He's a tremendous putter, too."

Farmington, however, couldn't match Stevenson down the line.

Senior Peter True had an 86; junior Mike Kovach, 87; senior Dan Hryczuk, 88; and sophomore Derek Nelson, 89. Senior Mark Bennett added his best round of the year by 11 strokes with a 91, but the Falcons came up 10 strokes short.

"There was a squall for about 30 to 40, about four holes," Farmington coach James Miner said. "It wasn't enough to shut it down, but it made the kids work harder to do anything, and he (Buha) handled it well, as did a lot of kids."

Stevenson second-year coach John Wagner was elated with his team's showing.

"It was very satisfying for me the way this team pulled together," he said. "We started out the year with seven wins in a row, then we lost a couple of tough ones. We kind of floundered the last couple of weeks and we may have been burned out, but today I told them to go out and have some fun."

"Everyone pulled together. They were very unselfish."

The Spartans averaged 41.6 per man during a dual-meet 10-4 season. They went 8-3 in the WLAA's Lakes Division behind champ Farmington and North.