

Falcons sweep DH, win 3rd in row

Farmington swept a baseball doubleheader and had a three-game winning streak Friday following 2-1 and 5-4 victories over Wallied Lake Central.

The Falcons won the second game in eight innings after the Vikings scored twice in the seventh to tie.

Nick Latra's game-winning single scored Phil Carson, who was pinch running for Jeff Drum-

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mond, from second base with two outs.

Dave Schall was the starting pitcher and worked 6 1/2 before Ron Salomonson relieved and picked up the win.

Dan McLaughlin, Salomonson, Scott Brown and Chuck Archambeau had two hits apiece. Ar-

chambeau also had two RBI.

Farmington won the first game in the last inning, too.

With no score in the top of the seventh, Latra reached base on an error by the Central third baseman. A wild pitch and passed ball sent him to third.

Dale Domas walked and stole second, putting runners at second and third for Salomonson, who helped his pitching cause with a two-run single. The Vikings scored in the bottom half.

Salomonson (3-2) pitched a two-hit complete game, striking out eight and walking two.

On Wednesday, the Falcons defeated host Farmington Harrison 9-5 as Latra scattered five hits over six innings. He also fanned eight and walked two. Jake Lawson took the loss.

McLaughlin had two hits and one RBI. Latra, who reached base five times and scored twice, had a hit, walked three times and was hit by a pitch. Domas and Salomonson chipped in one RBI each.

The Falcons are 3-3 in the Lakes Division and 7-10 overall.

C.J. Ghanman had two hits, including a triple, and three RBI for the Hawks. Mark Cantor had a pair of hits and scored two runs.

HARRISON 5-9, FRANKLIN 7-6: The Hawks snapped a seven-game losing streak Friday by winning the second game of the doubleheader against visiting Livonia Franklin.

Harrison scored twice in the bottom of the eighth inning to win the nightcap. The Hawks are 1-5 in the Western Division and 4-7 overall.

Ed Kennedy's two-run double was the winning hit, coming after C.J. Ghanman singled to start the inning and Pat McAskin walked.

SALEM 5-9, NORTH 4-4: Plymouth Salem stayed atop the Lakes Division with its doubleheader sweep over visiting North Farmington Friday.

The Rocks, 8-0 in the division and 13-4 overall, held off North in the first game after the Raiders rallied from a 4-0 deficit to tie the game with a four-run outburst in the sixth, which included a string of five consecutive hits.

Salem scored the decisive run in the bottom of the sixth when Bill Styles knocked in the go-ahead run with a double. Eric Kida knocked in two runs with a double in the third inning.

Mike Marvella lasted the first six innings to earn the win. Jason Gleaser went the distance for the Raiders, 2-4 and 3-11. He allowed six hits, walked three and struck out five.

Mike Brannan's two-out, three-run homer in the first inning of the nightcap sparked the Rocks to their sweep. Matt Abbott, who had two hits, also hit a home run.

Justin Maritz buried the first five innings to record the win.

On Wednesday, senior left-hander Evan Ellis pitched a complete game as the Raiders downed host Wallied Lake Albion 7-2.

Ellis held the Warriors to six hits and one walk, and he struck out four.



Winning run: Dale Domas races home to score what proved to be the winning run in the first game Friday.

PROB'S CORV MEURER AND JOE DANILEWICZ had three hits each, including a home run, in as many official batters.

Meurer hit a three-run shot and had five RBI. Danilewicz a solo blast and four RBI. Scott Lord contributed two hits and two RBI.

The Raiders trailed 5-1 after one inning and 7-2 after four, but they scored 10 runs in the fifth.

REDFORD CC 8-4, U-D JESUIT 2-0: Redford Catholic Central (11-3, 8-2) cruised to a double-header sweep Wednesday of the University of Detroit Jesuit (6-10 Central Division).

U-D Mercy signee Dave Susalla (5-0)

pitched five strong innings to win the opener. He struck out nine and allowed just two hits before Justin Stankewicz finished up.

Mike Homant went 3-for-4 with four RBI to lead CC. Juan Sanchez and Andy Blankner each contributed two hits and two RBI.

The Shamrocks also won the nightcap behind the four-hit pitching of Andy Kummer (3-1). The senior right-hander struck out eight and walked one.

Brad Hainke and Homant each had RBI doubles, while Ken Marzoe tripled and later scored in the seventh on a wild pitch.

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Marlins bury Blazers in 4-game series

Farmington Hills Mercy made a clean sweep against rival Livonia Ladywood, winning back-to-back softball doubleheaders last week.

The Marlins defeated the Blazers 2-1 and 6-0 Friday at Ladywood after posting 3-2 and 7-2 victories Thursday at Mercy.

In the second game Friday, the Marlins scored all six runs in the top of the seventh inning.

Heather Jones was the winning pitcher, striking out nine and walking two. Gierde Lee was 2-for-4.

Debbie Drieken pitched a complete game in the opener, walking just one while fanning three. Heidi Wahl was 2-for-3 and had two RBI.

The Marlins are 5-3 in the Catholic League Central Division and 11-7 overall. The Blazers dropped to 2-6 and 5-15.

In the first game Thursday, Mercy scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh to win.

Following a walk to Rachel Gaiger and single by Wahl, Erin Wiske drove in two runs with a single. McShane Todd had the game-winning hit later in the inning with a one-out, bases-loaded single.

Drieken pitched a seven-hit, struck out eight and walked one. Wahl had two Mercy's four hits.

The Marlins broke a 2-2 tie in the nightcap with a two-run fifth and added

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three more in the sixth.

Jones was the winning pitcher and helped her cause with a two-run triple. She scattered six hits, struck out four and walked two.

Kathy Mlatarsch was 2-for-3 with one RBI, and Wahl and Dana Robinson scored Mercy runs on wild pitches.

HARRISON 2-4, FRANKLIN 1-3: Jenny Mylinski's two-run homer enabled the visiting Hawks to win the first game of a doubleheader Friday at Livonia Franklin.

Harrison was trailing 1-0 when it scored with two outs in the top of the fourth. After a walk to Amanda Auli, Mylinski hit a line drive to right field.

Erin LaCasse pitched a one-hitter, struck out eight and walked one. The Hawks had four hits off losing pitcher Becky Jensen.

The play of sophomore Holly Foster in right field was a key for Harrison, according to coach Mike Taschman. She threw out three runners at first, and she made a key relay that kept Franklin from scoring the tying run in the sixth.

Harrison took advantage of five Franklin errors (six total) in the fourth inning to score four runs.

Kelly LaCasse's two-run single broke a 2-2 tie in the fourth. Foster had two hits and two RBI. Kathy Schneider had two hits and two RBI.

Erin LaCasse was the winning pitcher again and Beth McPherson the loser.

On Wednesday, Harrison blanked host Farmington 9-0 behind the solid pitching of sophomore Kristen Konira, who allowed only two hits and two walks.

Farmington pitcher Alana Heikkinen gave up four hits and seven walks. The Hawks had 13 stolen bases.

Erin LaCasse was the winning pitcher again and Beth McPherson the loser.

Harrison led 2-0 after one inning and broke the game open with a seven-run sixth. Schwalm had two hits; she and Hubble scored two runs apiece.

NORTH 12-8, SALEM 9-8: The Raiders swept a doubleheader Friday from visiting Plymouth Salem and improved to 4-2 in the Lakes Division and 7-7 overall.

North overcame seven errors in the opener. Melissa Cheney pitched a complete game, allowing eight hits and three walks.

Allison Stein was 3-for-4 with two stolen bases and scored three runs, and Amy Keimann had two hits and three RBI.

Renee Dolak had two RBI, Kate

Mackie and Becky Thurman one each. Keimann and Mackie also scored two runs apiece.

The Raiders supported Thurman, the winning pitcher in the nightcap, with five runs in the first inning during which North sent 11 batters to the plate.

Thurman, who survived five errors by the defense, worked six innings but left with the bases full in the seventh. Cheney earned a save, striking out two and getting the final out with a grounder to first.

Jennifer Cassidy led the 10-hit North attack by going 3-for-3 with two RBI. Stein and Mackie had two hits each. Mackie and Jill Singer one RBI each. Keimann scored two runs again.

On Wednesday, the Raiders lost 14-4 after visiting Wallied Lake Western rallied with 12 runs in the last two innings.

Cheney departed after five innings with a 3-2 lead, because coach Dave Brubaker wanted Thurman to pitch in preparation for Friday and Saturday games.

Thurman suffered the loss, but the defense failed by committing six errors. The Warriors scored eight runs on five hits, two walks and three errors in the sixth.

Cheney had two hits and Thurman scored two runs.

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