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## FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

### Hoops matchups superb

The Mercy Hoops Classic just might have its most competitive field in the 14-year history of the girls basketball tournament.

The 1994 entries include three state-ranked teams and the host Marlinas.

Plymouth Canton (1-1) is ranked No. 3 in Class A and will attempt to win its third consecutive title. The Chiefs, who have won three times since 1988, defeated Mercy in the last two championship games.

Competing for the first time in the Hoops Classic will be No. 5 Plymouth Salem (2-0) and No. 10 Rochester Adams (2-2).

In the first round tonight, Salem plays Adams at 5:45 followed by the Mercy-Canton game at 7:45. The latter will be a rematch of last year's regional game in which the Marlinas won 55-50 in overtime.

The consolation game will be 6 p.m. Saturday with the final at about 7:45 p.m.

Mercy senior Julie Angell has made the all-tournament team the last two years, and Canton senior Amie Crayton also was selected last year.

The Marlinas have won the tournament six times since it began in 1981.

### Boys prep golf results

The Farmington Hills Harrison golf team split a double dual Tuesday with city rivals North Farmington and Farmington at San Marino Golf Course.

The Hawks (3-1) defeated Farmington 220-224 but lost to North 208-220 under warm and sunny but windy conditions.

Drew Sopha and Scott Steinlauf both 40s to lead North. The Raiders kept the scores close as Andrew Wantuck followed with 42, Jason Manauy and Ron Vedder a pair of 43s.

Sean Pritch and Kevin Horton also carded 40s for Harrison, Kris Jovan 45, Dave Bonak 47 and Jason Baldwin 48.

Posting scores for Farmington were Kris King (41), Bryan Prentice (43), Derek Fox (44), Jeff Thomas (47) and Mitch Barrett (49).

## Raiders, Hawks once more champs



Team leader, Jaime Brenner was second overall and led the Raiders to their fourth straight girls title.



North Farmington extended its string of city championships to four straight Tuesday in girls cross country, and Harrison reclaimed the boys title, winning for the third time in four years.

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The annual city meets in cross country produced familiar results Tuesday at Oakland Community College.

North Farmington won its fourth consecutive girls race, and the Harrison boys are champions for the third time in four years.

Ironically, neither one had the individual winner but relied on solid team efforts to win again.

Harrison's Allison Noe won the girls competition with a 20:21 time—her best on the OCC course.

"Last year she was seventh, so that shows you how far things have come," Harrison coach Mark Babcock said. "She's on a roll and we're trying to keep her healthy."

"I think the biggest difference is that she's running with a lot of confidence. She put in the time this summer and really feels good."

North's Tom Stamboulis finished first in the boys race as coach Paul Welch expected he would, running 17:17 and 10 seconds ahead of Farmington's Tom May.

Farmington might have been the girls favorite after its victory Saturday in the West Bloomfield Invitational, but the Raiders showed grit and determination to repeat. North had 23 points, the Falcons 36 and Harrison 62.

"This was definitely the toughest one (of the four)," North coach Bill Pinnell said. "Since Farmington beat us Saturday, it showed some character by the girls."

"They could have eased up and figured (the Falcons) were going to beat us today, but they came out with the attitude we were going to win. They're

good competitors and they rose to the occasion."

North's top five finished in the top 10. Jaime Brenner, last year's winner, was second (21:06), Amanda Hough fourth (21:21), Kerrie Simpson sixth (22:18), Elaine Wolff eighth (23:03) and Becky Naglik ninth (23:17).

"Jaime had a good strong performance, and Amanda also ran well," Pinnell said. "She was right there with Jaime through most of the race and finished higher than I expected, by beating their second runner."

"Kerrie beat one more person than I thought she would. Elaine ran where I expected, finishing in front of their fourth, and a big help was Becky finishing right behind Elaine."

Farmington was led by freshman Kate Adams, who was third (21:15). Anne Grimaldi was fifth (22:05), Dana Goba seventh (22:32), Keri Lowry 10th (23:31) and Natalie Dawson 11th (23:32).

The Falcons had another runner who was sick and dropped out, and another whom coach Liz Lynda expected to score finished farther back.

After Noe, Harrison's next four finished in the teens. Annie Jud was 12th (23:51), Erin Schwartz 13th (24:16), Allison Gordon 17th (25:03) and Jenny Hannawa 19th (25:23).

"We can't rest on our laurels," Lynda said. "They were so excited about Saturday and beating North by 21 points. I told them 'Don't expect it to be easy on Tuesday, because North is a tough team. It's not going to be given to you,' and it wasn't."

"We're going to run against North all season, and it's a good lesson to learn now. If you want it, you have to work hard."

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## Harrison romps to easy win

Farmington Hills Harrison trounced visiting Ferndale 65-25 Tuesday to remain unbeaten through four games in girls basketball.

Kelly LaCrosse sank four three-point baskets in the first half to help the Hawks build a 36-15 halftime lead and finished with a game-high 14 points.

Erika Greene added 12 points and Krista Snow 11. LaCrosse also had eight rebounds and five steals.

Guards Monique Anderson and Cately Dowdell contributed to the defense as well as the offense.

Anderson had eight points, six steals and six assists. Dowdell six points and seven steals. Angela Perrett scored 10 points for Ferndale (0-4).

Harrison used a 23-4 second quarter to turn the game into a rout and then outscored the Eagles 10-3 and 19-7 in the last two quarters.

"At this point, I'm pleased with our intensity and aggressiveness," Harrison coach Pete Mantyla said, adding the Hawks are trying to strike a balance.

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"We're playing aggressively on offense, but at times we're not being patient enough. We have to understand we want to be aggressive on offense but also patient and make the extra pass."

"A lot of times we were going at a defensive pace on offense. We want to take a little more time to set up the three. Tonight we hurried it a little too much."

The Hawks did take good care of the ball and made only five turnovers, Mantyla added.

**NORTH 54, FERNDALE 25:** The unbeaten Raiders won their Western Lakes Activities Association opener and also their fourth consecutive game without a loss Tuesday.

North Farmington trailed 36-22 at halftime but moved in front with a 16-10 advantage in the third quarter.

The best Raiders had a decisive edge at the free throw line, making nine of 13. Northville sank just three of 10.

"This was a big win to start off league play," North coach Lance Davis said. "We just want to continue to take steps in the right direction."

Senior Allisha Gordon had 18 points

and 10 rebounds to lead the Raiders. Junior Carrie May had a balanced game with 15 points, five steals and seven rebounds.

Junior guard Lisa Weber and freshman guard Kellie Fournier added 10 points apiece.

Junior Samantha Leger tossed in a game-high 25 points and freshman Lauren Metel 10 for the Mustangs (9-3).

**NOV 26, FARMINGTON 33:** The Falcons let a possible victory get away Tuesday as the visiting Wildcats rallied in the fourth quarter to win.

Andrea Salyer and Kim Washnock scored 13 points each for Farmington (2-3). Megan Barton netted 16 and Kelly Kearney 15 for Nov.

The Wildcats led 10-8 after one period and 14-11 at halftime, but the Falcons were ahead 23-21 at the end of the quarter.

Farmington's ability to attack Nov's press and score suffered a setback when sophomore point guard Amanda Foster fouled out in the final quarter.

"Amanda had only two points, but she was responsible for the other girls getting 15," coach John Verdera said. "When she fouled out, that put a major crimp in our side, and we weren't able to score as much any more."

"We need her on the floor to handle the other team's press and trap, because she's so good with the ball in her hands."

## Mercy repeats relay success

Farmington Hills Mercy defended its swim title at the Brighton Relays, bettering the 10-team field Saturday with 100 points.

"It's nice to win the relay, because it sets up the season for us. We're on a roll now," first-year coach Greg Pettrell said.

The Marlinas didn't have a diving relay and gave away a few points there. Mercy has two divers but needed three to enter a relay team.

Mercy didn't miss the points as it won four events in Brighton's 25-meter pool and finished second in three others.

Jennifer MacDonald and Kristie Corda combined with Keri-Kate Kenna and Bethany Budd to win the 400-meter medley (4:04.1) and 800-meter medley (8:01.8) and Lucy Lambert and Kelly Thompson took first place in the 200 freestyle (4:21.3).

Lambert also was part of the winning 800 freestyle team that included Kelli Collins, Bethany Budd and Kelly Thompson, and won a 4:25.7 time.

Mercy's remaining victory came in the 200 backstroke, in which

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Kenna, Melissa Seymour, Katie White and Beth Minnick combined for a 2:16.1 time.

The second places were recorded in the 200 freestyle (1:26.3) by Kenna, Emily Surak, Danielle Clayton and Thompson; the crescendo relay (1:00.6) by Surak, Seymour, Yagala and Corda; the 400 individual medley (5:01.8) by Collins, Surak, Katie Runyan and Budd.

The team of Budd, Runyan, Megan Wegmuller and Callan also gave the Marlinas third place in the 200 breast/butterfly relay (2:41.1).

"We have quite a flock of swimmers this year, and four or five will be stepping in right away," Pettrell said. "Usually, it takes a couple years to season them up, but we have a lot with 1993 backstroke and medley in the tank."

"Mick" was named with 26 points followed by West Bloomfield third (76), Northville (88), Adams (44), Lansing Region (25).

Novi (30), Brighton (14), Livonia Lakeshore (8) and South Lyon (6).

**8 SWIMMING TOP HONORS**  
North Farmington's first home meet in nearly four years was a success Tuesday as the Raiders defeated Farmington Hills Harrison 124-61.

Becky Ashburn won the 200-yard freestyle (1:11.3) and butterfly (1:08.9) for North, and Cheryl Fisher was first in the 400 individual medley (5:01.8).

Fisher also combined with Erica Vancura, Amy Flahel and Stephanie Cohen to win the medley relay (3:52.8).

Ashburn contributed to a North victory in the 200 freestyle relay, teaming with Shana Flahel, Cohen and Flahel (1:44.2).

The Raiders also had their first Lead Outmen in diving (1:44.2). Flahel in the 50 freestyle (3:43.2) and Danielle Lammie in the 100 freestyle (1:44.2) and the 200 freestyle (4:17.7).

They also won on the winning 400 medley relay team along with George Smith and David Olson (1:44.2).

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