

Coach has bypass surgery

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Just hours after the Madonna University men's basketball season ended, first-year coach Boris Holowicki was rushed to the hospital after complaining of chest pains.

Following an extensive examination Monday, doctors recommended Holowicki have quadruple bypass heart surgery. The 64-year-old coach underwent the operation Tuesday morning.

According to his wife, Holowicki was conscious and recuperating Tuesday afternoon. He was expected to remain hospitalized until Monday.

The Livonia resident and former Redford Catholic Central coach had suffered a cold several weeks ago, and his doctor recommended he undergo a stress test, which he did Feb. 19. He failed it.

On Saturday, his Madonna team traveled to Kentucky to play

Berea College in the opening round of the NAIA Great Lakes Sectional playoffs. Madonna lost, 80-64, to finish its season at 8-22.

After the bus trip back to Livonia Sunday, Holowicki complained of chest pains.

Initially, it was believed he would need an angioplasty, but it was discovered three of his arteries were completely blocked and a fourth was 70 percent blocked.

Holowicki coached at CC for 22 years, guiding the Shamrocks to a Class A state championship in 1976. His contract was not renewed after the 1993-94 season. He spent last season as an assistant coach at Wayne Memorial.

Although his late hiring at Madonna in last May prevented him from doing much recruiting, Holowicki managed to guide Madonna to its best record in the three-year existence of the program.

SWIMMING

Following is a list of the best Observerland boys swim times and diving scores. Coaches can phone updates to coach Karl Blank at the Livonia Churchill pool 4-6 p.m. Monday through Friday at (313) 923-9231.

300 MIDDLEY RELAY (state sets 1:48.19)	
Livonia Churchill	1:40.53
North Farmington	1:40.75
Plymouth Salem	1:42.40
Plymouth Canton	1:43.37
Farmington	1:44.45

300 FREESTYLE (state sets 1:48.19)	
Mark Campbell (Churchill)	1:47.07
Mark Dettling (Salem)	1:48.05
Brian Rapp (N. Farmington)	1:50.08
Tim Buchanan (Salem)	1:50.31
Tim Buchanan (Salem)	1:50.43
Brian Green (Detroit CC)	1:51.33
John Hawkins (Farmington)	1:51.42
Todd Bernevig (Farmington)	1:51.42
Karl Falk (Livonia)	1:51.80
Patrick Duche (N. Farmington)	1:51.99

300 INDIVIDUAL MEXLEY (state sets 2:04.18)	
Dan Belanger (Farmington)	2:01.94
Alex Rodriguez (Canton)	2:02.01
Karl Falk (Livonia)	2:03.42
John Campbell (Churchill)	2:03.74
John Campbell (Churchill)	2:04.78
Kyle Perosky (Salem)	2:05.30
Ted Burmeister (Livonia)	2:05.89
Rich Sosenowski (Detroit CC)	2:06.43
Dan Gabriel (N. Farmington)	2:06.90
Mark Dettling (Salem)	2:10.00

50 FREESTYLE (state sets 22.59)	
Jason Sooper (N. Farmington)	22.49
John McLoughlin (Salem)	22.50
Dan Gabriel (N. Farmington)	22.53
Mark Campbell (Churchill)	22.66

500 FREESTYLE (state sets 4:58.38)	
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Muccino just misses medal

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Detroit Catholic Central junior Nick Muccino conquered the terrain and most of the competition at the Class A Alpine Skinning Finals Monday at Sugar Loaf Ski resort in Cedar. In his first trip to the state championships, Muccino powered his way to a 12th-place finish in the GS. Muccino turned in a two-run combined time of 41:50, missing a medal by two places and just 0.90 seconds.

"Actually, that was a little slow," said CC coach Tom Gable. "He was a little hesitant and didn't let it go on the steepness. Nick is a big kid and he has covered skied here before. He was unfamiliar with this type of terrain. It's a lot steeper up here than what we're used to."

"But this was a great building block for next year," added Gable. "Everything is in place now, we just have to work on the little things."

Muccino's teammate, senior Mike Phillips, qualified in the slalom and finished 24th in 62.94. "Mike also skied tentatively both runs," said Gable. "He's a

Hawks edge Rocks in consolation round

Call it a weather game for the Farmington Hills Harrison boys basketball team.

The Hawks got hot when it counted.

Harrison rallied in the fourth quarter Tuesday night to take a 57-55 victory from Plymouth Salem in the Western Lake Activities Association tournament.

Harrison plays tonight at Livonia Stevenson in its final regular-season game before the district tournament starts next week.

Salem held a 42-35 lead after three periods, but Matt Derocher, who led all scorers with 23 points, bombed in four threes as Harrison outscored the Rocks 22-13.

A Salem player was whistled for a technical when he hit another player with an elbow while attempting to call a timeout with 30 seconds to play.

Derocher hit two free throws to tie the score at 55-55. Then, with four seconds left, Jared Hopkins sank a short shot to make both

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teams 8-11 for the season.

Kevin Bambenek scored 14 points to back Derocher while Salem got 11 points apiece from Andres Lopez and Andy Power.

The Rocks made 7-of-10 free throws in the game while the visiting Hawks went to the line seven times but only made two.

CLARENCEVILLE 70, LOGGETT 58: Time to start Merritt pay? Livonia Clarenceville junior forward Jason Merritt continued his hot play Tuesday with 19 points and 14 rebounds, leading the host Trojans to a Metro Conference victory over Gross Pointe Woods University-Liggett.

The 6-foot-5 Merritt scored a game-high 32 points and grabbed 17 rebounds Saturday to lead the Class C Trojans past Class A foe Lincoln Park 74-59 at home.

Clarenceville is 11-5 overall and 7-5 in the Metro. Loggett is 5-14 and 3-10.

Four other Trojans scored in double figures including freshman guard Albert Deljeovic, who finished with 16 points.

Three others scored 10 apiece — sophomore center Justin Villanueva, who also grabbed 10 rebounds; junior guard Donahue Fulton and senior guard Joe Hernandez.

Brian Brunsten had all 16 of his points in the second half to pace Liggett, which couldn't overcome a 23-21 halftime deficit.

On Saturday, Hernandez chipped in 16 points, 12 in the decisive fourth quarter during a 22-12 Clarenceville run.

Shaun Myerchall, a 6-8 senior center, led Lincoln Park with 31.

CHURCHILL 62, FARMINGTON 57: Livonia Churchill improved to 8-11 on the season with a victory over the host Falcons, who dropped to 4-18 overall.

Shawn Wolosyn, a junior guard, was Churchill's leading scorer with 19 points. Seniors Allen Polanski and Chris Majors added 17 and 11, respectively.

Majors was a force on both ends of the floor in the first half, helping the Chargers gain a 21-22 advantage.

Dave Dilworth paced Farmington and all scorers with 20 points. Dan McLoughlin and Jake Sikosky added 12 and 11, respectively.

Churchill made 18 of 24 free throws, the Falcons 12 of 19.

SKIING

senior, so I'm sure he's disappointed because he could have done better. He had a great season and wanted to wrap up his senior year with a strong showing up here."

Farmington Hills Mersey's Danielle Spiewak was the only other qualifier from Observerland. She qualified for the individual race in the GS by placing fourth at the regional meet.

Hopes for a medal-winning performance vanished on her first run when she straddled a gate and had to hike back up the hill to make the gate. She finished the first run in 33.71, and went 23.14 on her second run to finish 41st in 56.85.

"Danielle psyched herself out today. The steps got to her," said Gable, who is also the Mersey coach. "When kids come up here they are sometimes overcome by the steepness of the terrain because it's nothing like what we skied on."

For the first time ever, the state skiing competition was split into two separate events. Class A schools skied at Sugar Loaf and Class B-C-D teams competed at Boyne Mountain.

There was a changing of the guard in the Class A boys race as Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central dethroned eight-time defending state champion Traverse City to win the team title with 43 points. The Trojans slipped to second (54) and were followed by Grand Blanc (128), Brighton (142), Clarkston (143) and Birmingham Seaholm (182).

Traverse City dominated the Class A girls competition and repeated as the state champion by scoring just 26 points. Cadillac was second (81), followed by Lakeland (102), Lahser (139), Clarkston (164) and Birmingham Marian (173).

The top 10 finishers in each event (boys and girls, slalom and GS) with an individual medal. Bloomfield Hills Lahser sophomore Liz Hill was the only O&E area skier to earn a medal. She placed 10th in the slalom with a two-run combined time of 65.80.

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