

FARMINGTON — FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

Raiders win swim dual

North Farmington improved its record to 3-0 in boys swimming Tuesday by defeating South Lyon, 115-70 in the North pool.

Matt Zald won two individual events and helped the Raiders win a pair of relays, too.

He was first in the 50- and 100-yard freestyle races with respective times of 23.64 and 52.15.

Zald anchored the medley and 200 freestyle relay teams. He teamed with Dan Gabriel, Jon Zald and Mark Wachaberg in the medley (1:46.28) and Justin Hawkins, Wachaberg and Brandon Digis in the freestyle (1:37.68).

Jim Gabriel also won two events and contributed to a pair of second-place relay finishes.

He touched first in the individual medley (2:13.17) and the backstroke (59.53).

Gabriel, Chris Clayson, Adam Farber and Hawkins were second in the medley relay (1:52.1), and the 400 freestyle team of Digis, Aaron Rycroft, Gabriel and Wachaberg finished in 3:39.23.

Joe Lebovic won the diving competition with 232.35 points. Wachaberg was first in the butterfly (59.88) and Farber the breaststroke (1:07.31).

The Raiders had second-place efforts from Farber in the IM (2:15.8), Dan Gabriel, 50 freestyle (23.83); Jared Goldman, diving (147.85); Chris Rande, butterfly (1:00.65); and Jon Zald, breaststroke (1:10.46).

OCC downs Alpena

Oakland Community College earned its first Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference victory in men's basketball Saturday, beating Alpena 65-58.

It was the second win overall for the Raiders, who are 1-4 in the conference and 2-14 overall. Alpena is 1-5 and 9-7.

Montes Briggs led a balanced scoring attack for OCC with 17 points.

Brad Burlingame (Walled Lake) and Glen Gray scored 14 points apiece, and Tyler Strait added 10. Gray also had nine rebounds and Strait eight.

Jason Tapio was the only Alpena player to score in double figures with 11 points. OCC led 34-22 at halftime, made 24 of 68 field goals and sank 20 of 24 free throws. Alpena was 18-of-66 from the floor and 22-of-32 at the line.

Lady Raiders win, too

The Oakland Community College women's basketball team also gained its first Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference victory Saturday, 65-46 over visiting Alpena.

The Lady Raiders are 1-4 in the conference and 1-5 overall. The loss left Alpena at 1-6 and 5-11.

Jessica Regentin (Walled Lake) scored a game-high 20 points for OCC. Karyn Kerr added 12 and Carrie May (North Farmington), who was named OCC's Female Athlete of the Week when she scored 39 points in two games the previous week, 11.

Regentin also had 10 rebounds, May nine and Keona Smith eight. Kristan Touri scored 13 points and Angie Kokowicz 10 for Alpena, which was outrebounded 62-43.

The Lady Raiders, who led 26-23 at halftime, shot 35.5 percent (23-of-63) from the floor and Alpena 22.1 percent (15-of-68).

DSC skaters exhibition

Detroit Skating Club presents an exhibition of champions, featuring U.S. National Championships Pairs bronzes medalists Danielle and Steve Hartzell of Westland, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Saturday in Bloomfield Hills.

The event features Olympic, national and sectional skaters.

Six of the 13-member USA Olympic skating team train at DSC. All proceeds go back into club programs that benefit all skaters.

For more information, call Johnny Johns or Kathy Cook of Detroit Skating Club at (248) 332-3000.

It's last day to sign up

The last date for registration for South Farmington baseball, softball and T-ball will be Saturday, Jan. 24, at the Heritage Park Day Center from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. For additional information, call the South Farmington Information Line at 474-5928.

Harrison comeback nips North

■ Farmington Harrison fell behind 19-6 after the first quarter Tuesday but rallied to defeat North Farmington in boys basketball, 40-39.



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Jerrard Johnson and Andrew Burt were unlikely heroes who took the choice if Farmington Harrison was to name two in boys basketball Tuesday.

They combined for 14 of their 18 points in the second half and led the Hawks to a come-from-behind, 40-39 victory before a packed gymnasium at North Farmington.

Johnson, a senior guard whose contribution usually doesn't involve a lot of points, and Burt, a junior forward who comes off the bench, scored nine points apiece to lead Harrison.

The MVP has to be Mr. Burt," Harrison coach Mike Teachman said. "Burt came to school with a broken finger and couldn't play. She went to the doctor and got an OK for him to play. Without him, we don't win the game."

Burt, who broke the middle finger on his left (shooting) hand in practice, scored off a rebound late in the game and made a free throw with 2:21 remaining to tie the score at 39.

He clinched the win when he rebounded a teammate's missed free throw with 3.5 seconds left and ran out the clock.

"Senior Jared Hopkins hit some big shots, and (junior) Lemar (Wilson) was amazing," Teachman added. "Burt had a basket on a putback, because Lemar kept it alive with a tip."

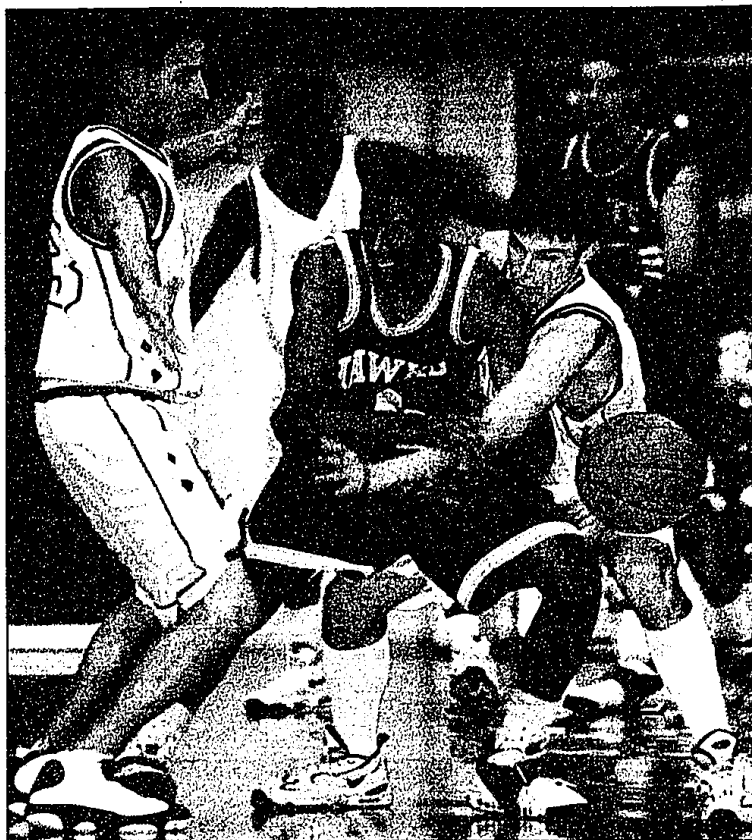
Senior Matt Durocher scored eight points for the Hawks, 2-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association and 7-1 overall. Hopkins added seven and Wilson five.

Senior Ray Lousia scored a game-high 11 points — all in the first half — for North, 1-2 in the WLA and 4-4 overall.

Senior Daniel Singer had eight points, Emir Medunjanin seven, senior Alan Pennala six and Phil Watha five.

The Raiders sank four three-point shots in the first quarter and stunned the favored Hawks by bolting to a 19-4 lead.

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No room to maneuver: Harrison senior Jerrard Johnson is boxed in by North defenders Ray Lousia (left) and Alan Pennala Tuesday. Johnson managed to score nine points in Harrison's 40-39 victory.

Gaines nets 35 in Farmington victory

Two free throws by senior forward Trevor Gaines with five seconds remaining Tuesday gave Farmington a thrilling, come-from-behind, 60-59 victory in boys basketball at South Lyon.

Gaines' heroics capped a career-high, 35-point performance and helped the Falcons (6-2) snap a two-game losing streak.

The winning free throws gave Farmington its first lead of the contest since

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it led 2-0 after a Gaines dunk to begin the scoring.

The Falcons trailed 14-10 after the first quarter and 27-21 at halftime. South Lyon (1-6) increased its advantage to 44-37 entering the fourth quarter.

Farmington implemented a press

and tight man defense to spark the comeback. The Falcons outscored the Lions 23-15 in the final quarter.

The scoring was spread out after Gaines' 35. Matt Orr and Justin Milus added seven and six points, respectively.

Greg Nabors led South Lyon with 33 points.

Farmington returns to league competition Friday when it plays host to Ply-

mouth Salem in a Western Lakes Activities Association game.

LUTHERAN EAST 68, CLARENCEVILLE 65: Albert Deljosovic fell one second short of leading Livonia Clarenceville to another victory and setting a career-high total Tuesday.

But Deljosovic's three-pointer swished through just after the buzzer went off, as visiting Harper Woods Lutheran East escaped with the win.

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Saving the play: Patty Moloney keeps the ball alive for Harrison Monday against Farmington. The Hawks won, 15-10, 15-13.

Falcons play well, too, but Hawks win match

BY DAN O'MEARA
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The record will show Farmington Harrison won the volleyball match at Farmington High School, but both teams went away feeling like winners Monday.

After losing decisively to the Hawks in tournament play Saturday, the Falcons battled all the way before succumbing in two games, 15-10 and 15-13.

Both coaches said it was the best their teams have played this season.

"My girls were fired up; they wanted it really bad tonight," Harrison coach Lisa Schrowe said, adding the Hawks expected a good effort from the Falcons after winning 15-11, 15-1 in the Plymouth Salem Invitational. "They wanted to repeat that victory."

"My girls were on fire tonight. They were hitting everything that came at them."

The victory was Harrison's first in three Western Lakes Activities Association matches. Farmington was 0-3 in the league prior to a Wednesday contest.

The Hawks took a 9-2 lead in the first game, scoring no more than two points per service rotation as the Falcons conceded points grudgingly.

Farmington closed to 9-5 and then 9-

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8 on three service points by Jamie Jakacki and two tip kills by Kelly DePottor.

Becky Voelker put down a kill for Harrison, and Breion Mailloux served three points, including consecutive ones, for a 13-9 score.

After another Farmington point and six sideouts, the Hawks finished the game with Crissy Chavez on the service line.

Eva Chavez, who led the Hawks with 12 kills in the match, won the serve back and made it 14-10 with two tip kills, and Harrison scored the final point on a Farmington mistake.

"That's the first time we've played as a team, and when you play in a team atmosphere you can win," Schrowe said. "We proved that tonight."

"I've told them no matter who we play, if they want to hang in there and outplay them, they can do it."

In the second game, the Falcons scored four points on Emilio Villamonte's serves, the last being an ace, for a 4-3 lead, which saw-sawed after the Hawks rallied to tie, 6-6.

Ace serves by Ari Ault, Kristan

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