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Lasers win pair from Diamonds

The Livonia Lasers won both ends of the doubleheader Thurs-day against the host Farmington Diamonds, 6-3 and 10-7, in an Incredible Girls Fastpitch Soft-

Incredible Girls Fastpitch Soft-ball Lengue encounter at North Farmington High School. The Lasers, now 5-3 in the National Lengue, scorod three times in the fifth inning to break a 3-all tie to win the opener. Winning pitcher Tara Muchow scattered two hits and three walks over six innings. She struck out nine.

SOFYBALL

Hitting standouts included Nicole Zabkiewicz with a triple, single and one RBI; Jeanette Bertrand and Muchow, double and single apiece; Amy Sandrick and Sara Knopsnider, RBI sin-

and single apiece; Amy Sandrick and Sara Knopenider, RBI singles each.

Kristina Colombo, who gave up nine hits, took the loss. Carismonds (7-3).

Zabkiewicz had three singles and two RBI in the nightcap to pace the Lasers.

Tera Morrill and Bertrand contributed two hits and one RBI each; Jamie Linden and Sandrick each knocked in a run.

Zabkiewicz, with relief help from Muchow, was the winning pitcher. Colombo, relieved by Jessica Brubaker in the sixth, suffered the loss.

Kristy Reinhardt knocked in a pair of runs for the Diamonds. Colombo drove in a run with a triple; she and King (double) each scored a run.

Leri Tapper walked twice, was hit by a pitch and scored three runs. Brubaker had an RBI on a bases-londed walk.



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Pietila, Storm lift Huskies to 5-3 win

Phil Pictila scored three times for the Huskies, but it was Jay Storm who gave them the cushion they necoded to stip past the Bulldogs, 6-3, Wednesday in a Metro Summer Hockey League game at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Pictila's second goal, scored with 9:10 left in the second period, the Huskies (now 4-1) thend to stay. Pictila's first goal land given his toam a 1-0 lead at 8:56 mark of the first speriod, the 'Dogs, however, countered with first-period scores by Darin Fawkee (from Livonia) and Matt Prater.

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Prater.
The Huskies took control with three unanswered goals in the second period, the first by Dwight Helminen and the next two by Pictita. The Buildogs (5-2) closed to within 4-3 on a goal by Corey Swider (Livonia) with 8-50 to play, but Storm countered to make it 5-3 with 6:59 remaining.

tered to make it o-3 with close remaining.

J.J. Weaks turned in a solid performance in goal for the Huskies. Will Hamele was in goal for the Dogs.

Eric Bratcher added two assists for the Bulldogs.

MILCATS 10, LAKERS 8: Four consecutive geals in the third period gave the Wildcats a come-form-behind MSRI, victory over the Lakers Wednesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Milke Switski (West Bloomfield) occounted for two of the 'Cats third-period goals, including the gene-tying marker (at the 8:40 mark) and the geahead socre (st 5:25). Brent Thomas scood his second of the game with :05 left to

and a goal and Scott Dolesh had two saists.

Will Hamele was in the not for the Lakers.

WILLYERINES 10, LAKERS 6: The Wolverinas built 6: 25 lead through two periods, but the Lakers kept chipping ency at it, eventually closing to within 7-8 with more than four minutes left in their Metro Summer Hockey, Legue gene Tuesday at the Plymouth Culorion Head of the Trainford (from Centre), and wad and Bill Trainfor (from Centre) led a size assaint. Ward scoring gives and Trainfor getting a goal and an assain in the final 89 seconds, to secure the Wolverines 3-06 victory.

The result allowed the Wolves to even their record at 3-3. The Lakers are their hold on second-place eveninds to a single point, their record at 3-3. The Lakers are their hold on second-place eveninds to a single point, their record at 2-3. The Lakers are the Heritagonia of the State S

a goal and two assists, and Jim Wheeton (Plymouth), Bred Feller (Con-ton) and Matt Krupa each scored a goal.

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Marc O'Keefe (Livenia) had three assists and Varujen Kriker (West Bloom-field) added two assists. Thomas Moniler (Catholic Central)

Thomas Monnier (Catholic Central) was in goal for the Wolves. The Lakers got two goals from Nick Anselm (Canton), a goal end three assists from Brian Jardine and , a goal and an assist from Chris Libbett (West Bloomfield).

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Wimbledon may be over, but there's another tennis tournament on the horizon.

The City of Livenia Parks and Recreation Department will stage its open tennis tournament for singles (July 30-Aug. 1) and doubles (Aug. 7-8) at Shelden Park, located on Pjymouth Road, one block east of Farmington Road (behind Alfred Noble Library).

Resident entry fees ar \$10 for adults and \$6 for youths (17-and-under), 2 p.m. (Girls 17-and 14-and-under), 2 p.m. (Girls 17-and 14-and-under), 2 p.m. (Girls 17-and 14-and-under), 2 p.m. (Girls 18-and 18-34, 19-and-under), 2 p.m. (Girls 18-and 18-34, 19-and-under), 2 p.m. (Girls 19-and 18-34 and 18-and-under), 2 p.m. (Girls 19-and 18-34 and 18-and-under), 2 p.m. (Girls 19-and 18-34 and 18-and-under), 2 p.m. (Girls 19-and 18-34 and 36-and-up). (Girls 19-and 18-and-under), 2 p.m. (Girls 19-and-under), 2 p

Road (behind Alfred Noble Library).

Renident entry fees ar \$10 for adults and \$6 for youths (17-and-under). Non-resident fees are \$15 and \$8, respectively. Each player or team must furnish a new can of U.S.T.A. approved tennis balls.

Singles entries must be received by 5 p.m. Wednesday, July 28 and doubles entries by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 4, at the Livonia Parks and Recreation Office, 33000 Civic Conter Drive, Livonia.

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*Saturday, July 31 — Road-runner Classic 8K, 5K walk and 1-mile fun run in downtown Northville, 6 p.m. (good socializ-ing afterwards), e-mail www.red-fordrunners.com.

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Saturday, Aug. 7 — Allen
Park 8K, 6:30 p.m. (through
tree-lined neighborhoods flat,
fast, good food afterwards), call
(734) 282-1101 or (248) 354-

*Saturday, Aug. 14 — Run Through Hell 4.2 and 10-mile foot race, 8 a.m. Call (734) 878-

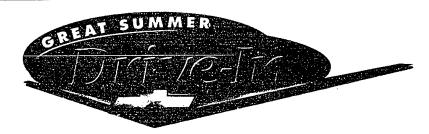
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*Saturday, Aug. 28 — Crim Festival of Races in Flint features the 10-miler, 8K and 5K, dong with other events for walkers and kids. The Bradley Hills halfway through the 10-miler are challenging.
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