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Morency hole-in-one

Bob Morency of Farmington Hills shot a hole-in-one Oct. 24 at Westbrook Golf Course in Novi.

The Observer & Eccentric Newspaper employee used a five wood on the 185-yard eighth hole.

Morency, 64, has been playing golf for 47 years. It was his first hole-in-one.

Albion College golf

Albion College sophomore golfer Lindsey Densmore of Farmington Hills (Mercy High School) finished seventh in the DePauw Small College Classic Oct. 12-13.

Densmore, who had a total score of 183, helped the Britons to a second-place finish behind host DePauw.

Albion had a two-stroke lead entering the second day, but DePauw knocked 34 strokes off its first-day score and finished 26 strokes ahead of Albion, 705-734.

YMCA coed volleyball

The Farmington YMCA Coed Recreational Volleyball League will begin play on Monday, Oct. 29, at the Farmington Family YMCA.

League play will last six weeks with a tournament to follow in the seventh week. Games will be played 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Players must be 16 and older (photo ID required); teams can have six to 10 players. The team fee is \$200. Membership is not required.

To sign up or receive additional information call Misty at the YMCA at (248) 553-4020, ext. 257.

St. Fabian tryouts

Tryouts for the St. Fabian CYO basketball teams are scheduled for the week of Oct. 29 in the school gymnasium at 32200 West 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills.

Boys and girls interested in participating in the program are urged to attend both of the tryouts listed for their grade. Eligible players must be one of the following: a student or parishioner of St. Fabian, a parishioner of St. Claire or a parishioner of St. Coleman.

The times and dates are — 7th-8th boys: 3:30-5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 29; and 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30; 7th-8th girls: 7:30-9 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30; and 5-6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31; 6th-6th boys: 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 29; and 7-8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2; 6th-6th girls: 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 1; and 5:30-7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2.

Hawks win soccer title

The under-16 Michigan Hawks, coached by Tim Ernst, captured their third consecutive Michigan State Youth Soccer Association Cup with a 2-1 victory in the finals over Vardar II in Troy recently.

Livonia's Melissa Dobbyn was selected MVP for the second consecutive year, while teammate Kathryn Cumming (Troy) earned MVP goalkeeping honors also for the second straight year.

Other members of the Hawks include Katie Boyd, Rochester Hills; Nicole Causille, Whitney Guenther, Deanne Kubas and Lindsey Hill, all of Northville; Erin Doan, Dearborn; Jordan Falcusan, Plymouth; Nikki Hermann and Maureen Pawlak, Novi; Jill Kehler, Flint; Megan Mains, Holt; Stacy Rogers, Shelby Township; Erica Rose, Farmington; and Marissa Sarkesian, Canton.

Flyers hockey tryouts

The Farmington Flyers Unified hockey team will have a pre-tryout meeting for all players who are interested in trying out for the varsity team at 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 29, at Farmington High School.

All interested players must have a physical form on file with their high school, or they won't be allowed to participate in the tryouts. Players can bring a completed form to the Oct. 29 meeting.

The tryout dates will be 3:30-5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30; 3:30-5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 1; and 4-5:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2. All tryouts will take place at Suburban Training Center in Farmington Hills.

The cost will be \$15 cash per tryout. Each player must wear a neck guard. For more information call Leah Calgias at (248) 553-0608 or send an email to cvelada@aol.com.

Falcons coast to another district title

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SOCCER

Dearborn Heights Crestwood had the more impressive record; however, Farmington High had the more impressive soccer team Friday night.

The Falcons don't the undefeated Chargers their first loss of the season in a Division 2 boys district championship game at Farmington, 6-0.

It was the second consecutive district title and third in four years for Farmington (14-3-2), which plays Grosse Pointe North in a regional game 7 p.m. Tuesday at Royal Oak Dendero.

"We just played very well and with emotion," Falcons coach Luke Juncal said. "We played with a lot of heart but with composure at the same time."

"I felt, if we played our game, there was no doubt we would win it, and now we hope to keep going."

Crestwood, which defeated Redford Union Thursday after that game was

postponed Wednesday, finished the season 18-1-2.

"It's not the first time we've had to go back-to-back," Crestwood coach John Place said. "It might've had some impact; I had some concerns. I'd rather have had a night off, but the players accepted it."

It didn't take long for Farmington to give spectators, who endured a cold wind and chilling rain, an idea it was the better team.

The Falcons had the ball in the Charger end of the field and dominated play nearly the entire first half.

Farmington had a lead less than six minutes into the game when Matt Cave scored the first goal.

His shot rolled 30 yards to the right corner of the net, and Crestwood goalie

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Falcons triumph: Joe Russo gets a lift from teammate Nate Meyer and congratulations from Chris McDoniel after scoring a goal.



STAFF PHOTO BY LILL BEXLER

Matt on the move: Matt Konopinski covers a lot of ground as an offensive striker for Farmington, which won a Division 2 district.

No. 1 Hawks rally, rout Gladiators

FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

Following a slow start, Farmington Harrison and its offensive juggernaut finally got rolling Friday night in a playoff football game with Fowlerville.

After a scoreless first quarter, the Hawks spotted the Gladiators a 7-0 lead but roared from behind in a first-round Division 3 district tournament contest and romped to a 49-7 victory.

The game was moved to North Farmington due to a problem related to the condition of the Harrison field.

Harrison will play Chelsea for the district championship 1 p.m. Saturday at Harrison. Both are 10-0. The teams met last year in a regional final, with the Hawks winning, 50-6.

Junior tailback Marcus Woods rushed for 109 yards and four touchdowns on just 11 carries to lead the Hawks Friday.

Senior quarterback Drew Stanton didn't throw a TD pass, but he gained 105 yards on the ground himself and scored a pair of touchdowns on five carries.

Fowlerville recovered an onside kick to start the game and drove to the Harrison 16 before senior tackle Aaron Kennedy sacked Fowlerville quarterback Zach Douglass on third-and-long.

The Hawks went three-and-out three times in the first quarter, didn't have a first down and had a net offensive total of minus-1 yard.

On their first offensive play of the second quarter, the Gladiators took the lead at 9:15 when Dou-

glass ran around right end 65 yards for a TD.

Harrison's offense came to life after that. It took the Hawks just four plays and little more than a minute to even the score.

On third-and-8, Stanton passed over the middle to Agim Shabaj for a 52-yard gain to the Fowlerville 3. Woods scored on the next play, and Mike Kloosterman kicked the first of seven straight extra points.

Harrison took the lead with 1:26 remaining in the half. Stanton ran 19 yards and passed 17 yards to Charles Pickett to set up an 11-yard TD run by Woods.

After the Hawks stopped the clock with a timeout, Shabaj returned an interception to the Gladiators.

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STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HANLEY

Ground-gainer: Clarenceville's Steve Meadows turns the corner against Dundee for big yardage in a playoff football game Friday.

Trojans prevail over Vikings on gridiron

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FOOTBALL

Livonia Clarenceville's first-round football playoff opponent proved to be more than formidable.

The Trojans had a struggle Friday in their Division 5 pre-district opener, but came away with a 35-28 victory as senior Tim Shaw racked up a career-best 323 yards rushing and four touchdowns to put away Dundee, 39-28.

Following the lead blocks of 6-foot, 205-pound fullback Steve Meadows, the 6-2, 221-pound Shaw put on another spectacular performance. He had a season-high 32 carries, completed one pass for 38 yards and made the game-clinching 36-yard TD catch from brother Pete with 5:05 remaining to give unbeaten Clarenceville its 10th straight victory.

Clarenceville had 542 yards in total offense, but had problems slowing down the Vikings, who finished with 382.

Junior quarterback Nick Gilder sleeve proved as elusive as Crocodile Dundee, running the option nearly to

perfection with 17 carries for 222 yards to go along with four of 12 passing for 77 yards.

Clarenceville also had a total of 20 first downs, including many key third down conversions.

"This was the first time all year we've been in a knockdown, dogfight kind of game," said Clarenceville coach Greg Hudkins, whose team had outscored its nine regular season foes, 345-26. "Our kids had to make the big plays offensively. And when we needed yards, Tim got them."

"Halfway through the third quarter I told Meadows he was our MVP and to keep up that blocking. Even with those defensive ends coming at him, Meadows was able to get in there and bust them up."

Shaw's most effective play was the toss sweep. The state's all-time TD leader (123) ran his season total to 37 with four more.

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