

CROSS COUNTRY

CC wins league title again

Redford Catholic Central had all seven runners in the top 20 on Oct. 21 at Stony Creek Metropark and won its eighth straight Catholic League cross country championship. The Shamrocks have won 12 of the last 14.

"Considering we had our first and fifth runners out with injuries, we ran pretty well," CC coach Tony Magni said. "Our first three runners put us over the top, but others have stepped up really well."

CC finished with 38 points followed by Brother Rice with 66. The University of Detroit-Jenit was third with 73, and Orchard Lake St. Mary's rounded out the top four with 129.

David Lucas led the way for CC with a second-place time of 16:20.87. John Krawiec was right behind at 16:28.43 in third place. Kyle Jekat was fifth (16:44.20), Brian Seymour 12th (17:14.36), Matt Esper 16th (17:17.68), Jon Marshall 17th (17:24.92) and Brian Doot 20th (17:33.14). Dan Murray of Brother Rice won the meet in 16:13.8. "Ryan Lowry was still out with a stress fracture (of the foot) and Dan Horgan was ill, so he didn't run," Magni said. "Seymour and Esper ran well, and Esper just missed being All-Catholic."

The Shamrocks were in the Division 1 regional, hosted by Royal Oak Kimball on Saturday.

"And it won't be easy," Magni said. "Our first concern is to qualify for the state meet, but our second concern is to win the regional. With Canton, Stevenson and Churchill, it won't be easy. They're very good teams."

On Tuesday, CC captured the Operation Friendship title for the 14th straight year, easily outdistancing competition from the Catholic League and the Detroit Public School League.

CC won with 28 points; Brother Rice was second with 102 and Detroit Mumford third with 152.

Chris Hoag of Warren DeLaSalle placed first in the 5,000-meter race in 18:36. CC's Dave Lucas, John Krawiec and Kyle Jekat took the next three places with the same clocking of 18:36.

Other CC finishers included Bryan Seymour, eighth (18:39); Matt Esper, 11th (19:00); Trevor Stop, 12th (19:02); and Max Working, 17th (19:18).

Mercy 3rd in girls race

Birmingham Marian won the Catholic League girls race with 36 points Oct. 21 and was followed by Dearborn Divine Child (59) and Farmington Hills Mercy (68).

The top 15 runners received All-Catholic recognition, and Mercy had four in the elite group. The race winner was Divine Child's Elizabeth Webster in 19:52.2.

Mercy freshman Shannon LaFave was sixth (20:47.9), senior Valerie Burnisky ninth (20:57.6), freshman Amanda Nagy 14th (21:40.8) and freshman Elizabeth Williams 15th (21:51.2).

Completing the Mercy runners, freshman Bridget Hunt finished 24th (22:37.8), senior Courtney Meyer 30th (23:17.0) and junior Lauren Longley 37th (23:53.6).

"To come within nine points of second was pretty good," Mercy coach Gary Servais said. "I didn't think we could challenge Marian; they just had too much upper-class depth. But we came close to getting Divine Child."

"It's good to see the program is starting to come back around like it was when Meyer and Burnisky were freshmen. That's when we won the league last."

"I was hoping lightning would strike again, but it didn't quite happen. But we have them pointed in the right direction."

Mercy won the Operation Friendship meet Tuesday at Marshbank Park with 39 points. Divine Child (166) was third and Marian (173) fourth, choosing not to compete with their best runners, apparently.

The Marlins had five all-city runners: LaFave, fourth, 22:47; Burnisky, fifth, 22:48; Nagy, seventh, 23:27; Williams, ninth, 23:57; and Hunt, 14th, 24:08.

Meyer was 24th (25:24) and Maggie Leyman 29th (25:41). The individual winner was Krishawna Parker of Detroit Crockett.

"I thought we ran pretty tough on a bad course, but it was a lot like what the regional (site) is going to be like," Servais said.

- CATHOLIC LEAGUE MEET**
1. Birmingham Marian, 36; 2. Dearborn Divine Child, 59; 3. Farmington Hills Mercy, 68; 4. Harper Woods Regis, 127; 5. Livonia Ladywood, 140; 6. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, 164; 7. Madison Heights Bishop Foley, 215.
- OPERATION FRIENDSHIP**
1. Farmington Hills Mercy, 39; 2. Detroit Renaissance, 44; 3. Dearborn Divine Child, 59; 4. Bishop Marquette, 173; 5. Detroit Mackenzie, 177; 6. Detroit King, 178; 7. Detroit Cooley, 215; 8. Harper Woods Regis, 216.



Soccer champs: The members of the Farmington Flash soccer team are (seated, left to right) Kendall Wong, Casey Ayres, Erica Hayworth, Alexa Buckley and Tiffany Pope; (kneeling) Kelly Avery, Carolyn Sundquist, Sam Sanders, Emily Navas and Lindsay Coutsen; (standing) coach Bruce Wong, Rachel Baker, Jessie Baxa, Gina Gandolfi, Hanna Abou El Seoud, Cassie Beller, Rachel Kay and coach Kimberly Wong.

Flash best team in tourney

The 1990 Farmington Flash girls soccer team won the Romeo Peach Festival tournament on Labor Day weekend.

Cassie Beller scored the winning goal in the tournament opener, a 1-0 win over Saline.

Defenders Casey Ayres, Carolyn Sundquist and Emily Navas and goalie Erica Hayworth, who made some important saves, were instrumental

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The Flash earned another shutout, this time over the GPSA Mustangs, 2-0. Sam Sanders and Rachel Kay scored the goals.

The third game ended in a 2-2 tie with the St. Clair Shores Spitfires in which Beller and

Sanders put the ball in the net for Farmington.

The Flash and Spitfires had a rematch in the championship game, and the Flash proved to be the better team with a 5-1 victory.

Sanders scored two goals, and Beller, Jessie Baxa and Lindsay Coutsen accounted for one each. The Flash led at halftime, 3-1.

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Brandon Harris was unable to react in time on the slippery turf.

"When they got on the board first, I think that took the wind out of our sails," Plante said.

"We made numerous mistakes, not marking players tight enough and giving them too much time with the ball, and we paid the price."

"You can't take anything away from Farmington. They're a good team. That's why they're ranked No. 2 in the state."

The Falcons kept up the pressure, which was a foreshadowing of things to come. Chris McDaniel put a shot off the crossbar, Farmington sent a couple free kicks between the uprights and Matt Okopny

banged a header off the crossbar. Farmington clung to the 1-0 lead until 7:17 remained in the half when Joe Russo scored. A free kick sailed to the far post. Nate Meyer headed it to the other side and Russo knocked it in.

The Falcons had a solid, 3-0 lead at halftime following a Matt Konopinski goal at 3:59. Okopny dug the ball out of the corner, and sent it to the near post; Konopinski turned and drilled the shot.

"Defensively, we were awesome," Juncen said. "They didn't have one single, quality chance all night."

"Our midfield totally controlled it. (The Chargers) didn't have the upper hand one minute in an 80-minute game."

"Okopny had an outstanding game, Joe Russo as well. Nick Ramirez was outstanding on defense."

Crestwood had several corner kicks and fared a little better in the second half offensively. But any hope the Chargers had of getting back in the game faded when Okopny scored the first of two goals at 27:32.

Russo's chip shot sent the ball to the left side of the Crestwood

goal, putting Okopny face to face with Harris with the ball at his feet. The result: a 4-0 lead for Farmington.

A little over two minutes later, Okopny scored again at 25:23. Aaron Helisek carried the ball upfield to Okopny, who fought off a defender to fire a rising shot that got under the crossbar.

Yohel Shibayama scored the final goal, with 1:17 remaining in the game.

"(The Chargers) haven't played anybody like us," Juncen said. "We have a lot of good players on this team, and they play as a team. I saw Crestwood twice and they have a few good players, but they don't have the balanced team like we do."



District tourney: Nate Meyer uses his 6-foot-4 height to outreach Crestwood's Brian Hejka for the ball Friday.

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Any person who is interested in participating in the discussion of the proposed vacation at the Farmington Hills Administration Building, 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan. Phone: 474-6115. Anyone who cannot attend may submit their comments in writing to the City Clerk at the above address for inclusion in the public hearing record.

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