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Farmington H. S. Football, Cross Country Schedules Announced

A complete schedule for fall sports in the Farmington High School athletic program was released last week by Athletic Director Jack Cotton.

The schedule is as follows:

VARSITY FOOTBALL
 September 14, Farmington at Clareville, 8:00 p.m.
 September 21, Rochester at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.
 September 28, Southfield at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.
 October 5, Farmington at Waterford, 8:00 p.m.
 October 12, Walled Lake at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.
 October 19, Farmington at Berkeley, 8:00 p.m.
 October 26, Van Dyke at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.
 November 2, Farmington at Bentley, 8:00 p.m.

JUNIOR VARSITY
 September 25, Farmington at Howell, 7:30 p.m.
 October 9, Waterford at Farmington, 4:00 p.m.
 October 16, Farmington at Walled Lake, 7:00 p.m.
 October 23, Berkeley at Farmington, 4:00 p.m.
 October 30, Farmington at Van Dyke, 4:00 p.m.

FRESHMAN FOOTBALL
 October 3, Southfield at Farmington, 4:00 p.m.
 October 10, Farmington at Waterford, 4:00 p.m.
 October 17, Walled Lake at Farmington, 4:00 p.m.
 October 24, Farmington at Berkeley, 7:30 p.m.
 October 31, Van Dyke at Farmington, 4:00 p.m.

CROSS COUNTRY
 September 20, Triangular meet at Farmington with Howell and Van Dyke, 4:00 p.m.
 September 25, Farmington at Trenton, 4:00 p.m.
 September 29, Hastings Invitational, at Hastings, 9:00 a.m.
 October 4, Walled Lake at Farmington, 4:00 p.m.
 October 11, Triangular meet at Farmington with Waterford and

Southfield, 4:00 p.m.
 October 16, Inter-Lakes Conference meet at Hickory Hills Golf Club, 4:00 p.m.
 October 23, Clareville Invitational at Clareville, 4:00 p.m.
 October 27, State Regionals at Birmingham, 9:00 a.m.
 November 3, State Finals at Eastern Michigan College, 9:00 a.m.

Dog Handling Class Offered

Farmington area dog owners are invited by the Livonia Kennel Club to a novice handling class on Monday, September 3. An invitation is extended to all persons owning a registered dog who are interested in learning how to show their dogs.

The class will be open to all breeds of dogs free of charge. The novice will learn how to handle their particular dog, ring procedure, grooming, and how to enter a dog at a show.

It has been learned that many people who live in this area are interested in showing their dogs, but are unable to find out how to go about it, and also how to show the dog.

The class will begin at 2:00 p.m. at Lebo Kennels, 27601 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

Top Racing Events Slated For Labor Day Week End

Plenty of action is in store for racing fans during the Labor Day week end at the Detroit Race Course in Livonia, officials indicated. A nine-race program on Saturday, September 3, will be followed by another on Labor Day, Monday, September 5. An important stakes race commands the spotlight on both days.

The 16th running of the \$10,000 added Motor City Handicap headlines the Saturday card, with the \$15,000 added Wolverine Stakes slated for the holiday program. Post time on both days is 2 p.m.

SPORTS

The Farmington Enterprise



Football equipment was issued last week to grid hopefuls at both Farmington and Clareville High Schools and opening drills got under way at both schools on Monday. Farmington gridders are shown above being fitted for gear to protect them from the jabs and bangs that go along with the hard body-contact sport. Shown above are, left to right: Head Coach Jack

Hayes, Morris Whitehead, Evan Southerland, freshman coach, George Fawcett and Tom Grimshaw. Teams from both schools will work out twice daily until the opening season, at which time they will swing over to after-school afternoon sessions. The two teams will tangle in a season opener on the Clareville High School gridiron on Friday night, September 14.

Squad Of 55 Farmington Gridders Report Out For First Drills Monday

A squad of 55 Farmington gridiron candidates reported to Coach Jack Hayes for the opening drills of the 1956 football campaign on Monday, August 27. Morning practice was held inside because of the weather, but the afternoon drills were conducted outside with the emphasis being placed on conditioning.

Coach Hayes, who took over the Falcon grid reins in 1955, said 15 better winners returning from last year's squad which won three games and lost five for the best finish of a Farmington squad in three years.

The returning veterans are headed up by Captain Dennis McBride, an all-county, all-league choice as a junior at center. Other

returning linemen are Robert Arrington at tackle, guards (Denny Benson, Jerry Steinbrook, Lawrence Raupp, and Gerald Urquhart. Raupp has looked particularly impressive in the opening drills. Richard Hoffman and David Tulp are returning at center along with Wesley Jones, Donald MacDonald, David Watriner, and Lewis McLellan at the ends.

In the backfield, Robert Brewbaker is being counted on heavily by the coaching staff as a signal caller. Returning lettermen at the halves are David Catterman and Thomas Kosky.

The grid staff, although quite concerned with the lack of size of the '56 squad, are quite optimistic about the Falcon grid fortunes this year because of the team's indicated speed. Operating basically from a split 'T', the local gridders could field a starting backfield of men that can cover a hundred yards at 11 seconds or less.

Farmington opens their bid for a successful football season with their traditional neighborhood rivals at Clareville on September 14 in a night contest.

Planning Special State Deer Season

Conservation Department personnel are working out details for the introduction of Michigan's 1956 special deer hunting seasons.

Special seasons were established on an area and quota basis in 20 deer starvation and crop damage areas of the state by the Conservation Commission at its meeting on August 9 and 10. The Commission action is subject to approval by the legislative joint inter-committee on administrative rules.

Under the 1956 regulations proposed by the Commission, holders of special permits will be allowed to take one deer of any age, either sex, in designated areas.

Some 56,340 permits will be offered to now hunters to take 16,955 deer, in addition to the "bucks only" harvest of the regular November 15-30 season.

The Commission set the special seasons after hearing recommendations from the Conservation Department game division. Harry D. Ruhl, chief of the game division, said at least the number of extra deer could be harvested without exceeding "safe biological limits."

In order to obtain a special permit, a hunter must purchase a deer license and apply for the permit by October 10, specifying the area desired. If applications for any area exceed the number of permits, a drawing will be held to determine distribution.

Each permit will be valid for only one area and the permit holder will be furnished a map and description of the area.

In 19 of the areas, the special season is scheduled for December 1 and 2. In two other units - Bois Blanc Island and the Lake-Nipigon County area - the special season will be concurrent with the regular November 15-30 season. A December 1 to 9 season again is scheduled for parts of Alger County where crop damage occurs.

In the upper peninsula, 7,000 permits will be offered in five areas and an estimated 1750 deer are to be taken December 1 and 2 in the first "any deer" season in the U. P. in many years. Another 56,840 permits will be offered for 16 areas in the northern lower peninsula with an anticipated kill of 15,130 extra deer.

Pheasant Crop Down From 1955

Pheasant production this year is about the same as the 1951-54 average, but below the exceptionally high production of last year - according to observations by farmers cooperating in a Conservation Department survey.

More than 400 farmers in 42 southern Michigan counties recently answered Department questionnaires regarding the number of nests and broods sighted during the fall and winter.

This annual survey has been conducted since 1948.

Ralph I. Blouch, Department pheasant specialist, said replies indicated that the later season, later farming operations and a later pheasant hatch.

"This year apparently is an off-season for pheasants, but not too bad," Blouch said.

Cold, wet spring weather this year delayed nesting and resulted in a later hatch, which usually means decreased production. Both mowing and moving occur at a heavy nesting period and many nests are destroyed. The birds usually are able to re-nest, but this is more difficult in a late season.

During the mowing operations, the farmers reported about 25 percent fewer nests and broods than last year, but Blouch pointed out that the 1955 figure was abnormally high. This year's count was about the same as the 1953 and 1954 figures.

In comparing current pheasant populations with last year, 20 percent of the farmers said they thought there are more birds this year, 38 percent said there are about the same number, and 44 percent said there are fewer birds this year.

Blouch said a more thorough appraisal of pheasant production will be available after reports are received from rural mail carriers who are conducting their annual counts while covering regular delivery routes.

Detroit Pacing Derby Set At Hazel Park Aug. 30

Hazel Park Harness Raceway reaches the mid-point in its 42 night meeting Thursday, August 30, with the fourth annual Detroit Pacing Derby.

To be raced in two one-mile dashes, the event will be for a \$10,000 purse. It will be the last Hazel Park stake before the \$15,000 added Little Brown Jug Trial on Thursday, September 12.

The Pacing Derby is expected to draw at least 15 entries. Hazel Park Race secretary will split the field into two divisions with seven going in the fifth and eighth races, and eight in the sixth and ninth.

Special Deer Permits Available September 15

Applications for permits for Michigan's proposed special deer seasons are scheduled for distribution to hunters after September 15.

The applications, together with detailed information on regulations and areas, can be obtained after that date from license dealers or from Conservation Department district headquarters and other selected field offices.

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