

# Churchill Hopes Are High

## Western Six

Observerland will boast one contender and two probable spoilers in the Western Six championship race.

Defending league champion Churchill has the green light on for a successful repeat with Waterford, Mott and Northville picked to give the Chargers a real battle.

Meanwhile, Farmington Harrison and first year Plymouth Canton will be out to gain experience and hopefully play a role in the race.

"If nothing else, in the spoiler's role."

"I see us a pretty good ball club," stated Churchill head mentor Pat Montagano whose Chargers reeled off a

19-6 mark last year and advanced further than any club in the area in state tournament.

Churchill fell to Detroit Murray-Wright in a regional final, 83-47.

"It looks like Mott, Northville and us for the league race," added Montagano who was also selected coach of the year for the 1972-73 season.

Montagano's No. 1 Charger has to be his 6-7, 225 pound

center - Don Braun, who averaged nine points and 16 rebounds per game last year as a junior.

"Don is our real horse and it will be him that will carry us through our first few games of experience," added the Churchill coach.

Don Forest at 6-5 and Ken Landini at 6-2 will be the forward strength with 6-3 Matt Foster showing promise in pushing the two. The guard lineup has 6-2 Rich VanWagoner, 5-9 Chuck Wagner and 6-1 Brian Kelly in control with 6-2 Al Leirstein ready to break into a starting role.

"If Landini, VanWagoner and Braun can carry us

through the first four or five games, we will follow through," added Montagano who is in season No. 6 and has sported a 31-12 mark the last two years.

"Size has to be a plus factor for us," added Montagano. "Landini at only 6-2 can jump like a 6-5 center."

Churchill's bench strength will be covered by 6-3 Jay Nelson, 6-2 Mark Roncoli and 6-1 sophomore Mike Streicher.

Lack of experience is what will work against Churchill along with a complete new style of basketball.

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good players on the court, all capable of scoring. We will not be relying on just three to put it in the hoop."

"We are out to match last year's mark," concluded Montagano.

Over at Farmington Harrison, Coach Bob Sutter has not thrown out the white flag yet but realizes that it could be a long season for his Hawks.

"We are young and inexperienced and the 1973-74 season will simply be a rebuilding year," said Sutter. "But we will be out to upset some people league contention and play the role of a spoiler."

Sutter has no lettermen returning.

His one returning starter 6-1 forward Dave Cleary recently transferred to Catholic Central.

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## Prep Schedule

### BASKETBALL CARD FRIDAY

BENTLEY at Farmington  
Bishop Borgess at SHRINE  
Thurston at CHURCHILL  
CLAWSON at Clarencville  
Harrison at NORTH FARMINGTON  
FRANKLIN at Wayne  
Garden City East at CHERRY HILL  
Garden City West at JOHN GLENN  
Woodhaven at PLYMOUTH CANTON  
PLYMOUTH SALEM at Walled Lake Central  
SOUTHFIELD at Redford Union  
SOUTHFIELD Lathrup at Lake Orion

### SATURDAY

LOURDES at St. Agatha  
STEVENSON at Thurston

\*\*\*\*\*Probable Winners in Bold-Face Caps  
(1972-73 Prediction Mark, 140-61)

## Lathrup Hoping To Defend Title

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## Trojans Looking Fresh

Bob Wolfe has taken on the challenge of varsity basketball at Clarencville High.

The 1973-74 campaign will be season No. 1 for Wolfe, who has coached junior varsity basketball and is the Trojan golf coach.

Ralph Weddle stepped down from basketball to concentrate on his football coaching assistant and Wolfe is now faced with a picking up the pieces from a 4-15 season.

"It is going to be a real challenge," commented Wolfe. "I first have to break a lot of previous thinking around here - basketball wise. I have to instill into the kids the idea of winning basketball."

"Hopefully I can get basketball on a positive level here at Clarencville."

Wolfe has two returning starters in Brian Luka and Tim McCammon. Both are seniors and Luka at 6-3 and McCammon at 5-11 will be the key to a successful campaign.

Another letterman is 5-11 junior Rick Beyer.

Up from the Trojan junior varsity are seniors Bill Vande at 5-10 and Clark Burt at 6-3 and juniors Tony Phillips at 5-10 and 6-0 Brian Hester.

"We are going to try for a total team picture and get away from individual performances," added Wolfe. "Experience and how fast we can obtain it will be our key to success."

The positive points in the Trojan program according to Wolfe are hustle and desire.

"Our negative factors have to be the league we play in and our lack of a big man," added the Trojan coach.

Clarencville, which was winless in the Wayne-Oakland League last year, will be moving out of the loop in two years. But for now it will have to put up with Class A schools in Milford and defending champion Waterford Kettering.

The Trojans are the lone Class B school in Wayne-Oakland.

"We are hoping to surprise a few teams and rattle a few bones this year," said Wolfe. "We will be going to the fast break and team play and hopefully instill basic fundamental play in the kids."

ST. AGATHA		COACH FRANK THURK	
Nov. 24	at RD St. Marys	Dec. 1	at Lourdes
Dec. 7	at St. Florian	Dec. 14	at St. Florian
Dec. 14	at St. Florian	Dec. 21	at St. Florian
Dec. 21	at St. Florian	Jan. 4	at St. Florian
Jan. 8	at St. Florian	Jan. 11	at St. Florian
Jan. 15	at St. Florian	Jan. 18	at St. Florian
Jan. 22	at St. Florian	Jan. 29	at St. Florian
Feb. 5	at St. Florian	Feb. 12	at St. Florian
Feb. 19	at St. Florian	Feb. 26	at St. Florian
Mar. 5	at St. Florian		

BENTLEY		COACH JOHN FARRAR	
Nov. 30	at Farmington	Dec. 7	at Farmington
Dec. 14	at Farmington	Dec. 21	at Farmington
Dec. 21	at Farmington	Jan. 4	at Farmington
Jan. 11	at Farmington	Jan. 18	at Farmington
Jan. 15	at Farmington	Jan. 22	at Farmington
Jan. 18	at Farmington	Jan. 25	at Farmington
Jan. 22	at Farmington	Jan. 29	at Farmington
Feb. 5	at Farmington	Feb. 12	at Farmington
Feb. 19	at Farmington	Feb. 26	at Farmington
Mar. 5	at Farmington		

BISHOP BORGESS		COACH JIM BRISKY	
Nov. 30	at Shrine	Dec. 7	at Shrine
Dec. 14	at Shrine	Dec. 21	at Shrine
Dec. 21	at Shrine	Jan. 4	at Shrine
Jan. 11	at Shrine	Jan. 18	at Shrine
Jan. 15	at Shrine	Jan. 22	at Shrine
Jan. 18	at Shrine	Jan. 25	at Shrine
Jan. 22	at Shrine	Jan. 29	at Shrine
Feb. 5	at Shrine	Feb. 12	at Shrine
Feb. 19	at Shrine	Feb. 26	at Shrine
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CHURCHILL		COACH PAT MONTAGANO	
Nov. 30	at Thurston	Dec. 7	at Thurston
Dec. 14	at Thurston	Dec. 21	at Thurston
Dec. 21	at Thurston	Jan. 4	at Thurston
Jan. 11	at Thurston	Jan. 18	at Thurston
Jan. 15	at Thurston	Jan. 22	at Thurston
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Mar. 5	at Thurston		

CLARENCVILLE		COACH ROBERT WOLF	
Nov. 27	at Wayne	Dec. 14	at Wayne
Dec. 7	at Wayne	Dec. 21	at Wayne
Dec. 14	at Wayne	Jan. 4	at Wayne
Dec. 21	at Wayne	Jan. 11	at Wayne
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FARMINGTON		COACH BRUCE BROWN	
Nov. 30	at Farmington	Dec. 7	at Farmington
Dec. 14	at Farmington	Dec. 21	at Farmington
Dec. 21	at Farmington	Jan. 4	at Farmington
Jan. 11	at Farmington	Jan. 18	at Farmington
Jan. 15	at Farmington	Jan. 22	at Farmington
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FARMINGTON HARRISON		COACH BOB SUTTER	
Nov. 30	at Farmington	Dec. 7	at Farmington
Dec. 14	at Farmington	Dec. 21	at Farmington
Dec. 21	at Farmington	Jan. 4	at Farmington
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FRANKLIN		COACH BOB VISSEK	
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GARDEN CITY EAST		COACH BILLY JOE YOUNG	
Nov. 30	at Cherry Hill	Dec. 7	at Cherry Hill
Dec. 14	at Cherry Hill	Dec. 21	at Cherry Hill
Dec. 21	at Cherry Hill	Jan. 4	at Cherry Hill
Jan. 11	at Cherry Hill	Jan. 18	at Cherry Hill
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Mar. 5	at Cherry Hill		

GARDEN CITY WEST		COACH CHRIS BABLER	
Nov. 27	at Wayne	Dec. 14	at Wayne
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