

# Secure tiedowns enhance safety

Regardless of boat size, reliable tiedowns are vital when traveling. Hull damage can occur if a boat loosely tied down. A more severe problem is that a boat can slip from the trailer during a panic stop or quick turn if not securely fastened. The trailer should be fastened to the boat front and rear. If water trailer is not equipped with convenient fastening means, have them installed. Be sure that the trailer hitch line remains taut, but don't depend on that to keep your boat on the trailer. A tiedown with adjustable straps that pass over the gunwales is good insurance that boat and trailer will travel together to the launching ramp.

Two families with different boats can find a weekend cruise doubled in pleasure simply because they have the combined capability of water skiing, fishing, cruising and exploring.

Limitations of one boat are offset by advantages of the other. Time can certainly be put to better use. And safety also is enhanced, boating experts say.

WHEN IT is necessary to cross an open stretch of water it is comforting to have another boat nearby. A pair of boating families can always pitch in and help one another to make the boating experience more pleasant.

## Farmington softball standings

Farmington Open League Tuesday Night Division				North Area 1: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank				North Area 2: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank				
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T	
Big Bill's Sport Shop	1	0	0	North Area 3: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank	Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Mr. Joe's	1	0	0	North Area 4: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank	Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Joe's	1	0	0	North Area 5: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank	Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Barrett's Party Store	1	0	0	North Area 6: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank	Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Michigan Midwinters	1	0	0	North Area 7: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank	Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Wayne Oakland Police	1	0	0	North Area 8: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank	Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Rodgers	1	0	0	North Area 9: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank	Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
South Area 10: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank				South Area 11: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank				South Area 12: Play 8:30 League 1: Rank				
Team				Team				Team				
W				W				W				
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## It's batters-up time for festival tournament

The Farmington Founders Festival softball tournament will open July 30. This year will make the eighth annual tournament for men's teams and the first for women's teams.

The tournament is open to any Farmington area slow-pitch team. Teams are limited to 10 members and must have 75 per cent of the players living or working in the Farmington area.

All players must be 18 by Aug. 1 of this year. The exception is Women's Industrial League.

All-star teams can't register and roster's can't carry a major metro player or one who has played major metro ball during the current year.

The Farmington Area Recreation Commission is organizing the tournament and has printed rules available. Games will continue July 31 and will officially end Aug. 1 at 6 p.m.

The entry fee is \$50 and teams must register prior to the manager's meeting July 13. Registration may be made at the recreation commission office, 31555 Eleven Mile Rd.

The managers meeting and tournament will be held July 13 at the Farmington Hills City Hall, 31555 Eleven Mile. The entry fee must be paid prior to this event.

The awards will be team trophies—first, second and third place—plus 10 all-star trophies and one most valuable player trophy.

The games will be played at Drake Park, City Park and Knights of Columbus softball fields.

## Golfers notch record scores at local clubs

Clear skies and dry weather made conditions ripe these past couple weeks for local residents to notch record scores on area golf courses and many did just that.

At the Wynd in the men's Allied Supermarket League on Tuesdays, Lavonia's Art Keith swung a 41 actual with a net 35 to get the leading spot in Flight A. Dick Hane of Farmington shot the low score last week with a 38, and Pat Murphy of Farmington Hills had a good day with a 43 actual, 31 net.

The Women's Midy Wild Swingers League leaders as of last week are Monica Polgren of Livonia in Flight A with 48 points, Lavonia's Sandy Smith in Flight B with 31 points and Helen Shaskan of Detroit in Flight C with 43 points. Brenda were shot by Gwen McClinton at the 15th hole and Helen Burger at the ninth hole.

In the Women's Thursday Golf Association League, Susan Goodhue shot a 40-11 handicap in Flight A to average 46. Officers this year are Lee Lorenz, treasurer, Carol Melvenier, secretary, Ev Riddle, vice president, and Susan Goodhue, president.

Whispering Willow's Livonia Women's Golf League, 18-hole division, is now in its 15th week of 20 weeks of competition. A total of 40 women who had to qualify with certain handicaps to play, will battle each other to qualify for the United States Golf Association meet. Low shooters last week in the three flights were Pauline Sarat M. Pauline Hobson 97, and Irene Lamerson 103.

Officers for the second year are Jackie Stocks, president, Caroline Podysaek, vice president, Helen Davies, secretary.

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