Girls' track schedules

Girl thinclads shape up for prep track season

team.

The sear only 15 girls turned out on the school's inaugural team, which compiled a 27 revent first of the school's inaugural team, which compiled a 27 revent first of the six-team Western Six League. This year, things look heighter. Coach Mark Timmins is working with 38 girls, including 12 with experience from last season.

"I did a lot of recruiting, wrote a lot of letters, made a lot of phone calls and gave a lot of tulks in gym classes and season of letters, made a lot of phone calls and gave a lot of tulks in gym classes of letters, the season of letters and the season of letters are season of letters and the season of letters and the season of letters are season of letters and the season of letters are season of letters and the season of letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters are season of letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters and letters are season of letters are Last year, only 15 girls turned out

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Some other Harrison hopefuls are jurior sprinters Dawn Johnston and Debbie Sweeney, junior long jumper Terri Duckett, junior miler Lana Widman, senior shotputter Mary Sommers and sophomore sprinter Linda Tremonti.

and sophosological and sophosological and sophosological and reproduct maintimes, who is working on his doctor's degree in anthropology at Wayne Sale, said he finds coaching the girls avery pleasant experience.

"The maturity level is so much higher than with guys," he said. "You don't have to play the games with the girls. They seem to accept things easier. And they really work. During the winter we ran a weight training program for spring sports. We had between 30 and 40 girls as opposed to five guys."

HARRISON WILL host a girls' track relay on April 15. In addition to the three Farmington public high schools, Redford Union, Livonia Stevenson,

Class A state finals. FARMINGTON HIGH

and Southfield-Lathrup will participate.

At Farmington Our Lady of Merey, an all-girl Catholic school, girls' track coach Bob Kirkland has a large turnout of 110. He hopes this year's team can at least equal last season's squad, which posted a 6-1 record and finished third in the Catholic League finals.

"Most of the poster between the control of t

English at Mercy.
Mercy has league champions in junior Michele Collins (5:25.1 in the mile) and sophomore Sue Heinlein (11:46.05 in the two-mile). Senior Lynn Yadach holds the school records in the 880 and 480

holds the school records in the 880 and 400 me other Mercy prospects are supported by the support of the suppor

FARMINGTON HIGH, beginning its third season of girls' track, has seven girls back from last year's team, which finished at 27. Farmington senior Barb Termaat holds the school record in the hurdles

holds the School record in the hurdles (18.3), and tearmante Pam Steinke set the school standard in the high jump (4-foot-10) last year. Shelly Tomko, also a senior, set the varsity record in the 440 (1841).

Other Falicon prospects are senior Nancy Dahistorm (880), and Juniors Rose Ormsby (880), Ann Bock Identification (480), and Section (480), and Sec

Farmington Observer physical education teacher in a local elementary school.
"Overall, I'm optimistic about this year's team. We should be improved. Unfortunately, some of the teams we not provide the provided of the provided that **SPORTS**



Harrison's Terri Duckett clears a hurdle during a recent practice. (Staff photos by Harry Mauthe)

GIRLS TRACK SCHEDULE — April 4—48 Water-ford Most, 4 p.m.; April 4—18 Water-ford Township, 4 p.m.; April 4—18 Termington Internal Polysters of the April 4 p.m.; April 4—18 Termington Internal Polyster of Township, 4 p.m.; April 4—18 Water-ford Water, 1 m.m.; May 4 Water-ford Water, 1 p.m.; May 17—Westland John Glens, 4 p.m.; May 17—Westland John Glens, 4 p.m.; May 17—Westland John Glens, 4 p.m.; May 17—Westland John Glens, 5 p.m.; May 18—18 Water John Water Joh

Mercy Coach Bob Kirkland times Jeannette Oyplessis (left) and Sherry West.

Former Raider paces OU in NCAA swim final

The Oakland University men's

The Oakland University men's swimming team recovered from the flu bug just in time to take third place at the NCAA Division II champion-ships last weekend.

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The stage of the fluther of the place of the national titles, and grabbed io individual all-American swim honors in the process.

"We worked all year with the idea that we could get second or third place at the national championships," said Van Fleet. "We swam especially well at the nationals, and I was very pleased with the 220 distance and free sayle distance people.

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mers. I was especially proud of them academically, because we averaged almost 3.5 on a grade-point level.

"We have seven freshmen on the team this year, and we're only losing one or two fellows," he said. "I'm already watting and excited about next year."

PIONEER SWIMMERS finished among the top 12 (which constitutes an All-American) in 12 separate events. Van Fleet credited a noticable with the control of the

fith (127).

Four local all-American swimmers from Oakland included Bloomfield Hills residents Ian Dista, Tim Maryland Hills residents Ian Dista, Tim Maryland Distance, July Farming Distance, 1904 Hatch.

The remaining all-Americans included senior Tom Boyd (Ferndale), Scott Teeters (Reffred), Mark Doyle (Oak Ridge, Fern), B.J. Kenney (Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.), Tom Allen (Kitchner, Ontario) and Mike O'Hagen (Dearborn).

Dittus took third place in the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 1:56.18, and came in fourth in the 400-IM with a time of 4:13.54. His time of 4:44.156

was good for 11th place in the 500-free.

"Considering he had a shoulder operation three months ago, Dittus did no utstanding job of swimming." said Van Fieet. "He literally had a one-month season, and he placed in three events at the nationals."

Boyd earned first place in the 200-1M, broke two individual school records, one relay team record, and finished amond the top 12 swimmers in six separate events. Boyd set the new school record for the 200-1M (1:57-11). 200-breaststroke (2:12.52) and the 800-yard freestyle (6:57-40). Boyd's first place finish was in the 200-1M. He also finished fifth in the 200-1M, said eight in the freestyle relay.

Murphy, a freshman, was a member

eighth in the freestyle relay.

Murphy, a freshman, was a member
of the 800-yard freestyle relay team
which finished second, setting a new
school record of 6:57.40. McIntosh,
also a freshman, became an all-American on the relay team which finished
fourth in the 400-yard mceller with a
time of 13.53.

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Teeters finished fourth in the 400-medley relay with a time of 3:33.89, and followed with a sixth place finish in the 200-yard butterfly. Kearney earned his all-American honors by finishing fifth in the 1-meter and 3-meter

diving.

Allen was the fourth member of the 400 medley relay team which came in fourth.

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