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Hawk netters have date at state

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Farmington Harrison has qualified for the Class B state tennis meet thanks to a second-place showing in Saturday's regional at Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook.

The state meet is set for May 29-30 at Holland Christian High School.

Harrison scored 18 points in the regional. Cranbrook, a prep tennis powerhouse under coach Don Brown, won with 28 points. The top two teams in the regional advance to the state meet.

"We're happy to be going to state," said Harrison coach Bernie Goldstein, whose team seems headed for the Western Six League championship. "It's the highlight of our season, that's for sure."

CRANBROOK WON championships in all seven flights, and Harrison was involved in four of the final matches.

Dan Bromberg of Cranbrook won the No. 1 singles title, beating Clawson's Mike Woody, 6-3, 6-2. In the semifinals, Bromberg handed Harrison's Adam Gordon his first loss this year, 6-1, 4-6.

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6-2. Gordon, a sophomore, had won 10 straight matches.

"He (Gordon) did very well to take Bromberg to three sets," Goldstein said. "Bromberg had it a lot easier in the final than he did against Adam. Bromberg won the final in straight sets."

At No. 2 singles Cranbrook's Keith Soltoff whipped Harrison's Dave Brady, 6-1, 6-1. Brad Wayburn gave Cranbrook the No. 3 singles title with 6-2, 6-0 scores over Harrison's Evan Hughes.

CRANBROOK'S NO. 1 doubles team of Keith King and Jeff Trees had an easy time with Harrison's Andre Berk and Mike Corey, 6-0, 6-1. In the No. 2 doubles final, Cranbrook's Bruce Hendrick and John Solik downed Harrison's Jody Bhagat and Nick Lessins, 6-1, 6-0.

"Overall I didn't think the regional was too tough," Goldstein said. "Last year it was a lot tougher. Cranbrook was far and away the best team there,

and we were easily the second best. After that the quality really dropped off."

Farmington and North Farmington, both Class A schools, participated in the state regional at Southfield-Lathrup, and failed to advance to the Class A state meet.

Farmington placed sixth with seven points, and North Farmington landed eighth with four. Detroit Catholic Central won the regional with 22 points, and Southfield-Lathrup finished second with 18.

Doug Button of Farmington advanced to the No. 3 singles final, where he lost to CC's John McCarthy, 6-3, 6-1.

In recent dual meets, Harrison stopped Plymouth Canton, 6-1, and North Farmington clipped Westland John Glen by a similar score.

Harrison's Gordon resumed his winning ways with a 7-5, 1-6, 8-6 showing over Canton's Kreg Kinnel. At No. 2 singles, Brady needed three sets to stop Kevin Johnston, 4-6, 6-2, 7-5.

Glenn Glicker, North's top singles player, outlasted Glenn's Milo Bradley, 6-1, 4-6, 6-4. In the No. 4 singles match, North's John Grisdale dropped Sylvan Cantonau, 6-2, 6-2.



DARY CASKEY/staff photographer

Adam Gordon, Farmington Harrison's top singles player, lost to Cranbrook's Dan Bromberg in the semifinals of the Class B regional.

Tracksters gird for state meet

High hopes for FHS jumper

Craig Kielty, Farmington High's multitalented trackman, will concentrate on doing what he does best — high jumping — at the upcoming state Class A meet, set for May 30 at Flint Southwestern.

Kielty, a senior, qualified for the state meet by finishing third in the recent Class A regional at West Bloomfield High School with a 6-foot-3 3/4-inch effort.

He also ran on an 880-yard relay, (with Shannon Catlett, Jeff Beard and Kevin Davis), which qualified for state with a regional time of 1:32.4, good for second place. He'll probably be pulled from the relay, Farmington coach Dave Catherman said.

"Craig will do nothing but high jump at state," Catherman said. "He hasn't had a chance to concentrate on it for some time."

Kielty and Birmingham Brother Rice's Gary Burns are currently tied for first place in the area's list of top high jumpers. Both have gone 6-8.

The only other Farmington-area trackman to qualify was North Farmington's John Winterbottom, who won the regional half mile with a time of 1:59.4.

Farmington finished ninth with 27 points in the 17-school boys' regional,

track

and North Farmington placed 12th with 16.

Detroit Redford won the regional title with 64 points. Detroit Henry Ford was second with 59. Brother Rice had 48, Detroit Catholic Central 41 and West Bloomfield and Southfield 40 each.

SEVERAL FARMINGTON-AREA girls qualified for the Class A state meet thanks to good performances in the Class A regional held concurrently with the boys' meet. The girls' state meet will be held on May 30 at Flint Northern.

Farmington sophomore Debbie Bemis led the way, long jumping 16-2 1/4 for first place and running legs in the qualifying 800 and mile relays.

Jo Smith, Chris Looser and Linda Kielty joined Bemis on both relays. The 800 finished third with 1:49.7, and the mile landed third at 4:13.2. Looser qualified in the 800 with a 2:23.8, good for second place.

Farmington Our Lady of Mercy's 880

relay (Cathy Bridges, Doria Jackson, Chris Lawson and Mary Jo Gorski) will be at state thanks to a first-place time of 1:48.8 at the regional.

Kathy Carolyn of Mercy won the regional discus throw with a throw of 104-0, and teammate Cathy Bridges won the 220 dash in 26.5. Lawson placed third in the 100 dash with a time of 11.9.

"Our best shot at scoring (at the state meet) will be in the 880 relay or maybe Kathy in the discus," Mercy coach Bob Kirkland said. "But I'll be surprised — and very pleased — if we can score at state."

North Farmington has qualifiers in Marsha Thompson and Kim Mandell. Thompson finished second in the high jump (5-3), and Mandell placed third in the 220 (28.7).

West Bloomfield won the regional girls' title with 60 points, three more than second-place Bloomfield Hills Laker. Mercy took third with 33 points. Farmington was eighth with 33 and North Farmington landed 11th with 18.

Farmington Harrison's boys' and girls' track teams participated in the Class B regional at Linden High School. Harrison's boys scored 1/5 of a point, and the girls' failed to score.

Pitcher beats old team

Meri Stockwell had an afternoon she'll never forget at Saturday's West Bloomfield softball tournament.

Stockwell, a senior, pitched Farmington Our Lady of Mercy to victories over both Waterford Township and the host Lakers to win the tournament championship.

And, considering Stockwell formerly played her sophomore and freshman seasons at shortstop for West Bloomfield, the day's events were even more meaningful.

In the title game, Stockwell allowed only three hits in seven innings as the Marlins won 4-1. Stockwell struck out three Laker batters.

"She (Stockwell) had a big smile on her face when I gave her her trophy," said West Bloomfield coach Bill Mason. "I told her she looked better in West Bloomfield green than she did in Mercy maroon."

Lori MacDonald led Mercy's offense in the second game as she went 2-for-2 and had one RBI. Yvonne Hegan doubled in the seventh to drive home another Marlin run.

Jana Berlinger led the Lakers with a single and one RBI. Deanna Asberry started and took the loss for West Bloomfield.

Mercy blanked Waterford Mott 5-0 in the first game as Stockwell struck out five and allowed only three hits. MacDonald also picked up two hits in that game.

Mercy golfers advance to state

Farmington Our Lady of Mercy, with senior Meg Mallon leading the way, won the state Class A-B golf regional with 389 strokes Monday at Travis Point Country Club in Ann Arbor.

Ann Arbor Huron placed second with 401 strokes, and Ann Arbor Pioneer took third with 419. The top three regional finishers will advance to the state meet June 1 at Marshall Country Club's par 72 layout.

Mallon and Pioneer's Sue Wedemeyer were awarded regional medals. Allon shot a 12-over-par 82, and Wedemeyer fired a 92. Huron's Barb Leclair finished third (94), and Plymouth Salem's Lisa Marino placed fourth (95).

Other mercy finishers: Danielle Corrieau (tied for fifth at 96), Lori Hawkins (ninth, 104), and Kri DeAlexandrix (tied for 10th, 105).

softball

West Bloomfield qualified for the title game with an exciting first-round game over Farmington, 3-2. The Lakers scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh, including an RBI-single by Paige Tagher that tied the game. The winning run scored on an error.

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Lori MacDonald was a big hitter for Farmington Our Lady of Mercy in the West Bloomfield softball tournament.

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