

Harrison boys rout Novi

The Farmington Harrison boys track team flexed its muscles in virtually every event Wednesday and handily defeated Novi 105 1/2-31 1/4.

The Hawks captured 11 of 12 firsts on the track and three of five firsts in field events.

Chris Hart had a productive meet. He anchored both the winning 1,600-meter relay (3:56.0) and the 3,200-meter relay (9:13.9). Individually, Hart captured the 1,800 run in 4:59.0.

Other individual winners for the Hawks were Paul Riglio in the shot put (35-11 1/4), Bill Wood in the discus (117-2), Ted Vartebedian in the pole vault (9-

6), Tony Oliveri in the 110-meter high hurdles (16.0), Mike Mack in the 300 low hurdles (45.6), Aaron Yaverski in the 100 dash (11.5), Roger Haney in the

400 (57.5), Dave Linn in the 800 (2:20.0) and Pat Rust in the 3,200 (11:25.0).

Wood, Riglio and Mike Hart ran in both the 400 and 800 relays. The 400,

anchored by Yaverski, won in 47.7. The 800, anchored by Scott Bissell, won in 1:40.3.

It was the first meet for both teams.

Tracy Brod, Jill Birska and Jenny Anderson were double-event winners for the Farmington Harrison girls track team Wednesday as the Hawks defeated Novi 75-55 in their season opener.

Brod won the discus (83-4 1/2) as well as the 400-meter run (1:05.2). Birska captured both the 100-meter high hurdles (17.0) and the 200 dash (29.0). Anderson's victories came in the 800

(2:43.2) and the 3,200 (13:14.0).

Jamie Holcomb played a key role in the Hawks winning three of the four relay events. She anchored both the 800 relay (1:56.0) and the 1,600 relay (4:29.6). The Hawks also won the 3,200 relay in 11:06.0.

Both Christie, the other Hawk individual winner, captured the long jump (14-5).

Hawk girls make it a sweep

Compuware still rules the ice

By Brad Emons
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The Birmingham-based Compuware Midgets team has a proud hockey tradition.

They've produced such standouts as Pat LaFontaine (New York Islanders), Alfie Turcotte (Montreal Canadiens), Kevin Hatcher (Washington Capitals) and Livonia's Al Infrate (Toronto Maple Leafs).

Playing on their home ice last week in Oak Park, Compuware continued the tradition by capturing the Midget (15-16 year-olds) Nationals championship with a 7-1 victory over Little Caesars.

The eight-team tournament, sponsored by the Amateur Hockey Association of the United States (AHAUS), was the culmination of another successful season for Compuware.

Compuware opened tourney play with a 5-4 win over Caesars, a rival member of the Michigan National Hockey League. It followed with victories over Amherst, N.Y. (10-2), the Seattle, Wash. Chiefs (16-3) and the Chicago, Ill. Young Americans (9-2) before meeting Caesars again.

AFTER FINISHING the year with a glittering 78-6-2 record, comparisons are now being made with the 1981 national championship Compuware squad, which featured LaFontaine and Infrate.

"I think the two teams are pretty close," said Compuware coach Real Turcotte. "What really impresses me about this team is their tremendous individual skills. It's probably the best we've ever had."

"And the thing about this team is that they clicked at the right time," Turcotte said that 11 or 12 of Compuware's players are rated highly by scouts in Canada's Major Junior A leagues in Ontario and Quebec.

Several players from the Observer & Eccentric coverage area figured prominently in the team's success.

Here is a brief look at Compuware's seven area players:

• **CHRIS EISENHART**, Garden City: The 5-foot-11 1/4, 165-pound goalie, who attends Garden City High, is rated the No. 1 prospect in Major Junior A.

"He is a stand-up goalie and those are hard to find," Turcotte said. "Most goalies have the habit of going down, but Chris doesn't panic. He has tremendous reflexes."

• **BILL PYE**, Canton: The 5-7, 140-pound goalie, who attends Plymouth Canton, will return next season.

The 15-year-old alternated with Eisenhart and was voted the best goalie at the Silver Stick Tournament earlier this season at Sarnia, Ont.

• **ADAM BURT**, Westland: The 5-3, 165-pound defenseman, who attends Catholic Central, is built along the same lines as Infrate.

"We have a chance to keep him next year, but the Junior A teams want him because of his size," said the Compuware coach. "Adam is a good skater, a good shot and handles the puck extremely well."

• **PETE PODRASKY**, Canton: The 5-9, 160-pound Podrasky, who also attends Catholic Central, is the team's most agile defenseman, according to Turcotte.

"He plays extremely well," said the coach. "He's not a big kid, but he has the smarts."

Podrasky was also selected to play for Team Michigan in the Junior Olympic High School All-Star series, held over the weekend in Danvers, Mass.

• **NICK KARMANOS**, West Bloomfield: The 5-10, 165-pound left winger, who attends West Bloomfield High, is the son of Pete Karmanos, the man who built the vast Compuware youth

hockey empire.

"He can play pro if he wants to," Turcotte said. "There's a possibility he could play for the Windsor (Junior A) Spitfires (also owned by Compuware) if they draft him, but I don't know where he'll be playing."

"He's by far the fastest skater on the midget level."

• **CHRIS TANCILL**, Livonia: The 5-10, 170-pound team captain, who attends Stevenson High School, was asked to play defense this season.

"Wing is his real position," Turcotte said. "He's just a good athlete. He could play anything he wants — even goalie."

"He's an excellent skater and stick handler. He's very strong and is an excellent leader. He's highly rated."

Observerland icers land on elite team

All-Observer players Todd Hohl, Matt Wiljanen and Jim Kowalski have been selected to play for Team Michigan in the first U.S. High School Invitational hockey tournament Friday through Sunday at Franklin Park (Ill.) Arena.

The game, developed by Johnson's Sports of Chicago, will showcase the top high school senior players nationally. The tournament features eight teams representing Michigan; Anchorage, Alaska; St. Louis, Mo.; Buffalo, N.Y.; Ohio; Wisconsin; Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Chicago.

The three area players were chosen based on their performance last month in the second All-State game, sponsored by Midwest Hockey and Little Caesars Pizza. Players from Team Michigan participating in the U.S. Inv-

itational must forfeit their eligibility for high school spring sports).

HOHL, a forward at Redford Catholic Central, was the Shamrocks' second leading scorer this season with 17 goals and 13 assists.

Kowalski, a defenseman, scored 9 goals and added 21 assists as Livonia Franklin won its first regional since 1976.

Wiljanen, a forward for Livonia Churchill, led the Suburban Prep Hockey League (SPHL) with 31 assists to go along with 12 goals.

Former Livonia Churchill and University of Michigan-Dearborn coach Adam Mitchell has been selected to coach Team Michigan. He will be assisted by A.J. Baker of Midwest Hockey and Danny Bellak, amateur hockey coordinator for the Detroit Red Wings.

Peter Fraunhelm was the third captain.

The other members of the Power varsity include Todd Anderson, Rob Holloway, Warren Radick, Jason Wood, Chuck Bigelow, Gordie Hoyer, Steve Horney, Mike Long, Tom Maricle, Scott Seabolt, Bryan Walter and Charles Wyatt.

Power Middle School is a feeder to Farmington High School. Some Power wrestlers, according to Urquhart, opt to attend Redford Catholic Central or University of Detroit High.

The Power team, comprised of 45 sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade students, outscored its opponents 309-155.

DAVID WINEY, a seventh grader and one of the team tri-captains, led the squad in scoring with 33 points (out of a possible 36). He also led the team in pins with five.

Randy Ryan, another tri-captain, had the quickest pin, sticking an opponent in 16 seconds.

Power grapplers extend win streak

Farmington's Power Middle School must have been named after its wrestling program.

The powerful Power grapplers wrapped up their fourth straight undefeated city championship season last Tuesday, beating Warner Middle School, 63-45.

Power, coached by Al Byar and John Urquhart, has now won 22 straight matches in four years.

"Once you get the ball rolling, it kind of perpetuates itself," said Urquhart of Power's winning tradition.



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
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Seniors spark Falcons

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North opens at home Tuesday, April 16, against Livonia Franklin.

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There's only one way to go for Tony Weason's crew, and that is up. And, with an outstanding and experienced crop of senior players, the Falcons' fortunes should be much improved in 1985.

Leading the group is pitcher-outfielder Chris Green. Dave Casarelli, Joe Bob Wenson and Jim Zang form the rest of the Falcon's talent nucleus.

The question marks for Farmington are pitching (so what's new?) and overall depth.

The Falcons open at home Wednesday, April 17, against Livonia Bentley.

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