

# soccer

## Churchill too strong for Mercy

Farmington Hills Mercy soccer coach Gene Fogel didn't mind the words about Livonia Churchill's talent after the Chargers pasted his team 6-1 on Monday.

considering Livonia Churchill probably the "best team in the state," he said. "It was a great opportunity for us to play them in the season opener. We jumped at it. We're ready for the Catholic League."

Actually, Fogel's young Mercy team gave Churchill a battle in the first half. The game was 1-1 after 40 minutes.

"We started four fullbacks, and we played real well in the first half," Fogel said. "I was really pleased with our defensive effort."

In the second half, Mercy juggled its lineup in search of some offense. Churchill responded with five unanswered goals.

JENNIFER HUEGLI scored a pair of goals for Churchill. Colleen Churchill scored twice and added a pair of assists. Jennifer Flowers and Julie Myers also tallied.

"It really could have been a 2-1, 3-1 game, but we needed to experiment and get different kids in there. The kids understood. We need a lot of work offensively," Fogel said.

Margaret DeMatia scored the lone Mercy goal three minutes into the match.

Churchill returned Tuesday to blast Dearborn Edsel Ford 12-0.

Flowers scored five goals, Huegli three and Myers two for the Chargers. Churchill had a goal and two assists and Kim Montgomery scored once.

Kolleen Allen got the shutout for Churchill (2-0).



Jan Herberholz (No. 20), Mercy sophomore, battles Churchill's Amy Weber during the Marlins' 6-1 loss Monday.

# Local hoop coaches split on NCAA 3-point ruling

By C.J. Rieak, staff writer

Is nothing sacred? Those might have been among the first words out of Oakland University coach Greg Kampe's mouth when he heard that the NCAA might make a basketball rule committee adopted the three-point field goal for next season.

The others probably weren't printable. "I don't like the rule at all," he said. "I was shocked and surprised that they passed it. They never even considered the coaches' association about it."

"I think someone's screwing up a pretty good game."

A semicircle will be drawn on the court 19 feet 9 inches from the center of the basket. Any shot made from outside that line will be worth three points.

SEVERAL CONFERENCES, including the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC), of which OU is a member, experimented with the three-point field goal during the 1982-83 season, but few kept it. That's why the rule was greeted by surprise by many coaches.

"Anytime you can shoot from the top of the key and get three points for it, it's going to change the game," said Kampe. "If you can hit 40 percent of your shots from there, it makes it worth the risk. If you hit four-of-10 from there, it'll be just like going six-for-12 inside the line."

Defenses are what Kampe figures will be altered the most. "It's going to take the zone defense right out of the game," he predicted. Since he advocates a man-to-man defense, he admitted, "I like that."

BUT WITH OU graduating its two best long-range shooters in Rob Skinner and Craig Tontl, the new rule comes at a bad time.

"We've been recruiting more toward good athletes than set-up shooters," the OU coach said. "I still think the way to win is by going inside and by having good athletes. The two years I've been here, we've been small. Now we've finally got some size and what happens?"

There are some GLIAC teams Kampe figures will cash in. "It's going to help make Lake Superior State, a team that can really shoot, an instant contender," he said. "Northwood, too. Teams like that are going to benefit right away."

The rule's intention was twofold: to help unplug the lane area of the court and to give the little man a bigger hand in the outcome. But Kampe figured the distance wasn't great enough. He thought a 21-foot circle would make it a greater challenge and make outside gunners think twice before launching.

## collegesports

Of the 10 players who could return for SC next season, Watkins figured there were two "with that kind of range" — Mike White and Zoltie Stephens. And the SC coach did agree with Kampe that the line might not be distant enough.

"Nineteen-nine — that's kind of close," he admitted. "Mike White can hit from the top of the key all day, if no one's in his face."

WHILE KAMPE condemned the new rule, Schoolcraft College coach Rocky Watkins endorsed it. Watkins was certain that SC, which competes in the NCAA, would adopt it.

"We follow the NCAA rules to the letter," he said. "I like it. I think it's going to put some excitement back into the game."

"A team's going to have to have two or three players with that kind of range. (Defenses) won't be able to sag inside anymore, they're going to have to come out and cover people. I thought they needed to do something for the little guy."

Watkins also disagreed with Kampe that the rule would mark the end of zone defenses. "It's not going to keep people from playing zones," he remarked. "It's going to loosen things up a lot, though."

The NCAA rules committee made two other changes. Game officials can consult television replays if necessary to correct mistakes in timing, scoring and the alternating possession arrow. The rule's adoption was greatly due to the clock controversy at the end of the Kansas-Michigan State regional game.

The second rule change does away with the hash marks at the side of the court, which the offensive team was required to cross in a specified time. It will be replaced by the five-second count, which can be called anywhere in the offensive team's half of the court.

Both were welcome changes. And, certainly, neither will harvest the controversy that the three-point shot will.

# sports shorts

## GET IN SHAPE FOR SUMMER SWIM

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## the week ahead

**PREP BASEBALL**  
Thursday, April 10  
Garden City at Liv. Churchill, 4 p.m.  
Redford Union at Liv. Stevenson, 4 p.m.  
N. Farmington at B'field (Civ.), 3:30 p.m.  
Bishop Borgosa vs. Red. St. Mary's at Redford's Capital Park (2), 4 p.m.  
Friday, April 11  
Liv. Stevenson at Red. Thurston, 3:30 p.m.  
Farmington at Redford Union, 4 p.m.  
W. Bloomfield at Farm. Harrison, 4 p.m.  
Crosconville at D.H. Croshawood, 4 p.m.  
Saturday, April 12  
(All double-headers)  
Wayne Memorial at Garden City, 11 a.m.  
Redford St. Agatha vs. St. Clement at Redford's Capital Park, 11 a.m.  
Sunday, April 13  
CC vs. Borgosa (Capital Pk.), 1 p.m.

**GIRLS SOFTBALL**  
Thursday, April 10  
Liv. Churchill at Garden City, 4 p.m.  
Redford Union at Liv. Stevenson, 4 p.m.  
Southfield at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.  
Farm. Mercy at Waterford Oak Leaf (2), 4 p.m.  
St. Agatha at St. Alphonsus (2), 4 p.m.  
Friday, April 11  
D.H. Croshawood at Crosconville, 4 p.m.  
Farm. Harrison at W. Bloomfield, 3:30 p.m.  
Saturday, April 12  
(All double-headers)  
Red. Thurston at N. Farmington, 10 a.m.  
Wayne Memorial at Garden City, 11 a.m.  
Farm. Mercy at St. Agatha, 11 a.m.

**GIRLS TRACK**  
Thursday, April 10  
Bsh. Borgosa at Liv. Franklin, 3:30 p.m.  
Redford Union at Liv. Stevenson, 4 p.m.  
Red. Thurston at Crosconville, 4 p.m.  
B'rm. Marian at Garden City, 3:30 p.m.  
Ferdale at Farmington, 4 p.m.  
Wayne Memorial at Harrison, 4 p.m.  
Friday, April 11  
Farm. Mercy at A.A. Huron, 4 p.m.

**BOYS TRACK**  
Thursday, April 10  
Bsh. Borgosa at Liv. Churchill, 3:30 p.m.  
Liv. Stevenson at Redford Union, 4 p.m.  
Garden City at Wld. John Oliver, 4 p.m.  
Ferdale at Farmington, 4 p.m.  
Farm. Harrison at Nov., 4 p.m.  
Crosconville at Red. Thurston, 4 p.m.

**GIRLS SOCCER**  
Thursday, April 10  
Dahvie at Garden City, 4 p.m.  
Friday, April 11  
Liv. Franklin at Farm. Harrison, 4 p.m.  
Northville at Liv. Churchill, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Central at Farmington, 4 p.m.  
St. Western at Psy. Canton, 7 p.m.  
Plymouth at Liv. Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
Saturday, April 12  
N. Farmington at Psy. Canton, 2 p.m.  
Plymouth at Farm. Mercy, 1:30 p.m.

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