



Glenn catcher Eric Stover looks for another possible play after making a putout on Harrison's Jeff Skinner at home plate. The Hawks won the second game 13-4 to earn a split.

# Big inning lifts Falcons to victory over Churchill

Farmington High doesn't fool around when the Falcons go for a big inning on the baseball diamond. A seven-run second inning led to a 9-4 rout of Livonia Churchill in the first game of a doubleheader sweep Monday. The nightcap was closer, 4-3.

The Falcons, 4-5 overall, did all the damage in the first game after the first two batters had struck out.

The big blow of the inning, which included five hits and three walks, were a pair of two-run doubles by Chris Adams and Brian Townsley and Kevin Young's two-run single.

Farmington pounded out 14 hits with six batters getting two apiece. Young, Townsley and Dave Wilson were 2-for-4, Jeff Childers 2-for-2 and Adams and Paul Woytowich 2-for-3. The latter also drove in a run.

Reid Gough was the winning pitcher in relief of starter George Hansen, who faced five batters and lasted only one-third of an inning. Gough went the next 5 1/3 and departed in favor of Darin Magera in the seventh.

Magera entered with the bases loaded and nobody out, but he shut the door on the Chargers, ending the game with a double play and a strikeout.

The second game was highlighted by Norm Celinske's complete-game victory. It was the first time he has pitched this season, and he struck out five, walked four and scattered five hits.

Farmington, which had the same number of hits, pushed across the winning run in the bottom of the sixth inning.

Young drew a lead-off walk, was sacrificed to second and took third on a wild pitch. Churchill's catcher let the ball get away on what would have been an inning-ending

strikeout, and Young raced home to score the eventual winning run.

James Kim was 2-for-3, and Young also had two RBI on a single and groundout.

Joe Ahmet pitched seven innings for the Chargers, struck out seven and walked two.

GLENN 10-4, HARRISON 3-13: The Rockets threw their ace against Harrison in the opener, and Clint Straub responded with a four-hit, 10 strikeout victory. He walked six.

The Hawks had to take consolation in handing Glenn its first defeat in the second game. However, the nightcap of league doubleheaders doesn't count toward the league championship.

Craig Murray went the distance for Harrison, striking out five and walking seven. Chris Scheffter was the loser. In the first game, Jason Hicks pitched five innings and took the loss.

Glenn is 8-1 overall, the Hawks 4-3.

N. FARMINGTON 5, NORTHVILLE 0: Rick Rachner turned in a three-hit, complete game for the Raiders, 2-1 in the league and 3-4 overall.

In evening his record at 1-1, he fanned seven and walked two. With Rachner pitching a strong game, North didn't need a lot of hits and made the most of the four it did have.

Vanoy Hill was 2-for-2 with a double and two RBI, and Todd Gesund added a single and two stolen bases.

"This is the first time we've had a shutout in I don't know how long," Raider coach Irv Horwitz said.

# Pioneers ascend from GLIAC cellar

Like the weather, it seemed certain that Oakland University's baseball fortunes would brighten. It might take a while, but sooner or later, it would come to pass.

Last week, the Pioneers put together their most successful streak in Great Lakes Conference play since baseball was reinstated last year, winning five straight league games in an eight-day span. Their fifth victory was a 4-3 triumph over Saginaw Valley State in Sunday's first game. The Cardinals ended the streak by beating OU 5-1 in the nightcap.

The streak lifted the Pioneers out of the GLIAC cellar and into third place, behind Ferris State and Grand Valley State. OU is 7-7 in GLIAC play and, following a split at Northwood Tuesday, was 11-13 overall.

A FIVE-RUN RALLY in the sixth inning of the second game salvaged a split for OU against nonleague foe Northwood. Trailing 6-3 with two out and men at second and third, Eric Burchard got the first run in for the Pioneers with an infield single.

Pinch-hitter Dave Spzak struck out, but the catcher dropped the ball and — distracted by the runner at third — hesitated before throwing it first. Spzak beat the throw, loading the bases for another pinch-hitter, Dave Walczyk. Walczyk doubled to drive in three runs, making it 7-6, then scored on Dennis Milobar's single.

The comeback made reliever John Jacoby the winning pitcher. He worked the final three innings and gave up one unearned run; his record is now 3-0. Back-to-back homers by Rob Alvin and Ron Curla in the second scored OU's first two runs. Dave Arnold's single in the fourth scored the Pioneers' third.

CURLA HAD two hits in three trips and scored three times. Chris Takemoto contributed two doubles.

In the first game, Birmingham Seaholm graduate Jason Smith stopped OU on five hits, blanking the Pioneers over the final five innings. Losing pitcher Dave Kalish had a 3-0 lead after two innings to work with, but couldn't protect it. The winning run

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scored in the sixth inning on a bases-loaded, suicide squeeze bunt single by Mark Mayes.

Two OU runs resulted from a Walczyk single in the first and a Spzak solo home in the second. Walczyk had two hits for the Pioneers. Mayes went three-for-four for NI (20-19 overall).

ON SUNDAY, OU triumphed in the opener behind Duane Moore's strong pitching. Saginaw Valley struck for three unearned runs in the first inning, but Moore (now 2-2 for the season) took command after that. He allowed just three hits and one walk, striking out three. He retired 14 in a row during one stretch and 17 of the last 18 Cardinal batters.

OU got two runs back in the bottom of the first, one on Milobar's groundout and another

on Walczyk's single. The Pioneers evened it at 3-3 on Alvin's run-scoring single in the third, then scored the game winner in the fifth on two Cardinal errors, the second of which allowed Mike Gunn to cross the plate after Spzak's infield hit.

In the nightcap, OU managed just four hits off SVSU starter Ron Kunkin. Milobar scored the only Pioneer run in the second. He doubled, went to third on Walczyk's fly out and scored on Alvin's sacrifice fly.

Jeff Dorfman (Southfield-Lathrup) was the losing pitcher, making him 2-2. He was touched for four runs in the second on four hits, including a three-run homer by Ray Stover.

SVSU is 23-22 overall, 7-9 in the GLIAC.

THE PIONEERS swept Wayne State Saturday at WSU, taking the opener 3-2 and the second game 10-6.

In game No. 1, a two-run OU rally in the sixth made a winner of Pat Sadowaki. The Pioneers broke a 1-1 tie when Walczyk singled in a run. He then scored when Tartar center fielder Tyrone Gaines dropped Al-

vin's fly ball.

Walczyk had two hits in the game and Tim Bradley was three-for-five. Bradley collected seven hits in seven at-bats in the doubleheader. Kevin Schwanz (from Redford Union) had two hits for WSU.

In the second game, Alvin and Gunn had key hits in a six-run third for OU. Alvin slugged a two-run homer and Gunn added a three-run double as the Pioneers expanded their 3-2 lead to 9-2. Gunn finished with two doubles and four RBI. Alvin had a double and a homer and two RBI. Bradley had four hits, and Randy Bailey and Milobar each contributed two hits.

Jacoby relieved OU starter Scott Tucker and got the pitching win, going the last 3 1/3 innings. Chris Kalafut was the loser for WSU. Schwanz had two hits and scored three runs and Mike Perkins had three hits and drove in two runs for the Tartars (14-12 overall, 3-11 in the GLIAC).

OU hosts Calvin College at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, then finishes its GLIAC season at Ferris State Saturday and at Hillsdale Sunday. All games are doubleheaders.

# Hawks come close, but Raiders notch win

North Farmington held on to beat host Farmington Harrison 7-6 Tuesday in softball action.

Debbie Weintraub went the distance for North to earn the win. Keri Priestkorn took the loss, allowing 11 Raider hits over seven innings.

Priestkorn, however, walked only two, which kept the Hawks in the ballgame, according to coach Mike Teachman.

The win raises North's mark to 3-6, and Harrison, despite coming the closest it has to winning a game, slayed winless.

Pam Gressler hit a home run and went 3-for-4 for North. Pam Kon-Jarevich also homered and had two hits and two RBI for the Raiders. Stephanie Knapp drove in a run and had two hits.

For Harrison, Robyn Cohen went 3-for-4 with one RBI. Katie Doll had two hits and Dave Pinz hit a two-run homer.

Doll hit a line drive up the middle, but North shortstop Missy Bosscauwen made a diving catch that no-

doubt saved two runs.

"She really played a game at shortstop," Teachman said. "She stopped two or three of our rallies."

NORTHVILLE 4-10, N. FARMINGTON 3-11: North Farmington won the nightcap, 11-10, to gain a split of a doubleheader Tuesday.

The Raiders scored the winning run in the seventh inning on an RBI single by the bases loaded from Amy Fletcher. Fletcher's single drove in Deborah Waller, who had singled to start the rally.

Debbie Weintraub, the third of three North pitchers, worked the last 1 1/3 innings for the win.

Kelly Coulson had a grand slam and an RBI single earlier in the second game for North and went 3-for-4.

In game 1, Weintraub suffered the loss, although she gave up only three hits and struck out seven.

Missy Bosscauwen had two of North's five hits in game 1. Fletcher had a two-run single, and Coulson singled home another run.

MERCY 2-3, MARIAN 1-2: Amy Edward pitched host Farmington Hills Mercy to a doubleheader sweep of Bir-

mingham Marian Tuesday.

The wins raise Mercy's overall record to 18-5, 9-3 in the Central Division of the Catholic League. Edward tossed a six-hitter in game 1 and came back in the nightcap to pitch a seven-hitter in a game that went to extra innings.

Nick Fraser scored from second base on an error with two outs in the ninth inning to win game 2.

In the first game, Edward was 2-for-2 and stole two bases. Missy McKenna and Julie Jorwak collected RBI singles for Mercy, both of which scored Edward.

GLENN 23-20, HARRISON 8-6: The victories ran Glenn's record to 18-1 overall, 8-1 in the Western Lakes Athletic Association. Harrison remained winless.

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three-run homer, while Coots and Hoffman collected two hits each. Lolita Burgess crushed a solo homer.

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