

Marlins best in relays; Rives has record run

Farmington Hills Mercy had the highest finish of any city team at the annual Stafford Relays, and North Farmington Lisa Rives set a school record in the 1,600-meter run Saturday.

The Marlins scored in eight events and finished sixth in the team standing. Farmington Hills Harrison was ninth and North 15th. EdHood won the meet over runner-up Livonia Stevenson.

Rives overtook Plymouth Canton's Amy Smith in the last 10 meters to win the 1,600 in 5:23.1, breaking Beth Emery's record of 5:27.6, which she set earlier in this decade. Smith finished in 5:23.5, which was a Canton school record, also.

The 1,600 was part of the 6,400 relay in which four girls from each school ran one mile. The Raiders were sixth in that event, Adrienne Mocollo finishing 23rd, Lisa Alpiner 33rd and Sarah Luginer 35th.

Mercy finished one place ahead of North. Heather Noll, who ran 6:47 and the Marlins, was eighth, Brigitte Dory 16th, Judi Rosowski 20th and Susie Bartlett 37th.

THE HIGHLIGHT for Mercy was a second-place finish in a distance middle race. Kathleen Gerick ran 1,600 meters in 5:42, Lauren Hood and Heather Sullivan 800 in 2:33 and 2:34, respectively, and Carrie Walton 3,200 in 12:10.

Harrison had its best performance in the 1,600 relay, posting a 4:14 time that puts the Hawks at the head of Observerland listing this week. Maria Chalgolans, Nivvia Haklin, Audra Cockerham and Jane Peters comprised the unit.

"It was an all-Class A field and we're a Class B team, so I know the kids take a lot of pride in that," Harrison coach Mark Babcock said.

Mercy's strong team showing included a trio of third-place finishes. Two of those came in field event relays, the shot put and high jump.

girls track

Jeanette Turner (29-4%), Charese Sanders (33-7%) and Laune DeMattia (28%) comprised the shot put team. In the high jump, Gail Murie and Lauren Hood jumped 4-4 and Walton 4-1.

The Marlins also got third in another distance medley in which Gerick ran 800 meters, Megan Lombardi 400, Noll 1,200 and Walton 1,600. Their combined time was 13:53.

Mercy was near the top in the discus and the 3,200 relay. Too. The Marlins were fourth in both events.

TURNER THREW the discus 104 feet to lead the Marlins and Kira Glass and DeMattia, both of whom are freshmen, threw 91-9 and 69-0, respectively. Sullivan, Hood, Gerick and Noelle Gates ran the relay in 10:21.

In addition to the 6,400 relay, Mercy also setted fifth place in the 800 relay. Adanna Amanze, Murie, Nyasha Glass and Kim Cook recorded a season-best 1:52.2.

Harrison also was second in the shuttle flyball relay. Peters, Almee Jarvenpaa, Chalgolans and Michele Roby put together a 1:12.1 time, and the Hawks took fifth in the 800 relay with Cockerham, Carrie Hentnik, Haklin and Peters running that race in 1:51.8.

North's scoring included third place in the 3,200 relay and fifth in two others.

Jenny Weh, Tracy Mitchell, Lisa Wantuck and Rives ran 10:16.4 in the 3,200. Jennifer Stoe (27-7), Ginger Donoghue (28-4) and Mocollo (25-3/4) got sixth in the shot put, and Lisa Handziak (13-7), Kari Pavulich (12-10) and Kara Higley (12-8/4) were sixth in the long jump.

Observerland snowout first for veteran official

IN HIS 19TH YEAR as chief referee, John B. MacKenzie thought he had seen it all during his stint at the Observerland Track Relays — until Saturday night.

With a sheet of hail/snow or whatever else you like to call it, suddenly Livonia Churchill High's outdoor all-weather track wasn't so all-weather anymore.

It was only May 6, but it was time to get back into the Zamboni machine and snowblowers.

With six events to go, MacKenzie huddled the Games Committee together and decided the meet had to be called.

The coaches were in complete agreement. Conditions were too cold and too slippery.

"How about that for a first?" said MacKenzie, who helped found the meet in 1971 along with former Redford Union athletic director Howard Kraft.

"I've seen meets called over the years because of thunder and lightning, but not because of a hailstorm in May."

LARRY JOINER, the veteran Churchill athletic director, said the well-being of the athletes was at stake.

"The committee said it was just too dangerous, and they just couldn't see somebody getting in-



Brad Emons

hurt the most by the cancellation.

THE ROCKETS were right on host Churchill's heels with some of their best events coming up when the meet was suspended.

But as MacKenzie said, there was only one option.

"I would have hated to see what would have happened in the shuttle hurdle relay," said the meet director.

Ironically, it was only six years ago when the meet was shifted from Redford Union's out-dated cinder surface to Churchill's more modern all-weather track.

The 1983 Observerland, like the '80 meet, was a memorable one.

"That's when a steady downpour turned RU's Kraft Field into a rice paddy."

In '83, Churchill's Erik Hansen, a speedy sprinter, was clocked in 9.6 in the 100-yard dash. But the Danish exchange student later discovered that the chalked starting line had been wiped out and the blocks mistakenly moved up five yards.

"I remember that well," MacKenzie said. "And it was warm that night. The kids were running in the mud. They were like pigs in slop. The kids said it was the most fun they've ever had at a meet."

"But this meet was different. It's too bad this had to happen."

Mercy, Hawks dual winners

Farmington Hills Mercy continued its winning ways on the track Tuesday, routing Catholic League foe Birmingham Marian 97-32.

The dual-meet win hits Mercy's record to a perfect 4-0 in the Catholic League.

The Marlins won every event except the high jump and long jump, and they had double winners in hurdler Mary Beth Strand and sprinter Kim Cook.

Strand won the 110-yard hurdles (18:28) and the 330 hurdles (53:05), and Cook's win came in the 100 dash (12:31) and the 200 (29:54).

Other single victories were recorded by Charese Sanders, shot put, 34-4; Jeanette Turner, discus, 94-3; Adanna Amanze, 440, 1:07.5; Kathleen Gerick, 800, 2:33.4; Heather Noll, mile, 6:00.17; and Debbi Coo, two mile, 14:13.52.

Mercy took all four relays, and four Marlins — Gail Murie, Noelle Gates, Megan Lombardi and Heather Sullivan — combined for wins in the 400, 800 and mile. Their times were 55.95, 1:56.24 and 4:33.23, respectively.

The two-mile crown was won by Gerick, Judy Rosowski, Noll and Carrie Walton.



FARMINGTON HILLS

Harrison dominated the running events Tuesday and defeated Livonia Franklin 76-41 at Farmington Hills.

Bob Beauchamp and Chad Burgess were double winners in open events and also were on two winning relay teams. The Hawks won every individual running contest and swept the relays.

Beauchamp won the 100- and 200-meter dashes in 11.2 and 22.9, and Burgess was the 400 and 800 runner with times of 52.4 and 2:01.

In the relays, William Matthews, Joe George, Chris Bucalos and Beau-

champ won the 400 in 46.8, and John Berry, Cab Morpew, Burgess and Beauchamp placed first in the 1,600 at 3:42.4.

Burgess, running the third leg of the 3,200 relay, hooked up with Jeff Barringer, Andy Jones and Greg Sulpanowski for a winning time of 9:08.5.

Barringer also won the open 3,200 in 10:03.7, and teammate Dave Foss was first across the finish line in the 1,600 with a 4:55.3 time.

The Hawks had a pair of winners in the field events, also. George won the discus with a throw of 130-11, and Tony Shaeb captured the shot put with a toss of 47-5.

Harrison is 2-1 in the Western Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association and 5-3 overall. Franklin is 2-2.

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