

# Ocelots dismal in defeat

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The roller coaster ride continues for the Schoolcraft College men's basketball team. That makes gift-buying for coach Dave Bogataj rather easy. How about something to settle his stomach? Or ease his nerves? Or — best of all — how about some consistency?

The Ocelots have certainly lacked the latter. After a dominating performance against outclassed St. Clair County CC Wednesday (Dec. 13) — SC romped to a 121-49 homecourt triumph — they looked flat and awful in bowing 92-85 to Henry Ford CC Saturday at SC.

How awful? If rebounding is a barometer, then consider this: The Ocelots grabbed 12 against HFCC.

That's not one player's total. That's the team total, according to Bogataj.

"I'm still ticked," said the SC coach Monday. "My blood pressure is probably 300 over 200 still. "We went out there and were horrendous. And it's not like they were awesome on the boards, either."

THAT'S TRUE. HFCC only got 21 rebounds in the game. But it's a lot more than SC got.

What made things more maddening to Bogataj was that the Ocelots led 51-44 at halftime. They

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blew their seven-point advantage in the first three minutes of the second half and ended up scoring just 34 points in the last 20 minutes.

"That's absolutely ridiculous," he said in evaluating his team's second half. "We looked like pions on a driver's ed course — just standing around."

Offensively, there were some bright spots. Al Hudson hit 11-of-12 floor shots in scoring 26 points. And he grabbed five of SC's dozen rebounds. Randy Watters added 14 points, but he fouled out with six minutes left. Ed Hudson netted 12, but after hitting his first three-point shot, he missed seven straight. Tony Rumples finished with 10 points.

Brian Miller led HFCC (3-5 overall, 1-2 in the Eastern Conference) with 25 points, 14 coming in the second half. Jeff Barwisch had 14, Michael Link and Bill Anderson added 12 each and Chris Nazzelli (from Livonia Stevenson) chipped in 11.

THE WIN over St. Clair was just the opposite. Hardly a powerhouse — St. Clair is 0-11 in the season, 0-3 in the conference — SC still looked

impressive, zooming to a 51-36 halftime lead and then pouring in 70 second-half points.

The Ocelots outscored St. Clair 39-6 in the first 9:30 of the second half. "I couldn't believe it," said Bogataj. "In the second half, everything went in."

"I think we could have bounced it off the floor and it would have gone in."

Watters' 20 points was best for SC. Ed Hudson and Rumples contributed 15 each. Al Hudson had 14 and John Moran scored 13. Ken Fuster added seven points and seven assists. James Traylor topped St. Clair with 19 points.

The two games were an accurate reflection of SC's entire 6-8 (1-2 in the conference) season. "I told them that the only thing we can count on is our inconsistency. Every time we play it's something different," said Bogataj.

With the difficult part of the conference schedule still ahead, he knows his team's problems will have to be rectified — soon.

SC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL: The Lady Ocelots remained unbeaten in Eastern Conference play with an 8-69 victory over St. Clair County CC last Wednesday (Dec. 13).

"It was a combination of our shooting and tough defense," said SC coach Jack Greenan, as his team improved to 6-8 overall and to 2-0 in the conference.

## sports shorts

### • XMAS HOOPS

Farmington Hills Mercy will host its Mercy Hoops Christmas Classic for eight grade-school teams Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 28-30. Teams competing are: Farmington Hills St. Fabian, Southfield St. Michaels, Plymouth Our Lady of Good Council, Dearborn St. Linus, Redford St. Robert Bellarmine, Dearborn St. Alphonsus, Melvindale St. Mary Magdalene and Orchard Lake Our Lady of Refuge.

The championship game will be at 3:45 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30. After the championship, awards will be presented to tournament champions, the most valuable player and first and second team Mercy Hoops All-Stars.

The opening round of the double-elimination tournament will feature four games, starting at 4 p.m. Thurs-

day, Dec. 28. All games will be played at Mercy, at the corner of Middlebelt and 11 Mile roads.

### • SOCCER CHAMPS

The Farmington Cyclones under-12 boys soccer team captured its Western Suburban Soccer League divisional championship with a 7-0 record. The 17-member team scored 31 goals en route to the title.

Team members are: Mike Buchanan, Andy Budor, Robbie Burton, Kenny Galica, Andy Hobbler, Nick Hamblin, Hideki Hayafaka, Jeff Kohler, Kenny Kopf, Yosuke Matsumoto, Neal Mower, Josh Nieple, Makoto Tohara, Dante Varea, Jamie White, Duane Wilder and James Wolf. The Cyclones are coached by Ken Galica. His assistants are Tom Faro and Nelson Hamblin.

### • AAU BASKETBALL

The Michigan Elite Basketball Club, an AAU girls organization, has openings for coaches in five age divisions: 18 and under, 16-under, 15-under, 13 and under and 11-under. Anybody wanting to coach one of

these teams, as well as anyone who has access to gym space, should call President Wayne Worosz at 455-4011.

Tryouts will take place the first week of January. Further information regarding time and place can be provided by Worosz.

## the week ahead

### BOYS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Dec. 21  
Luth. Westland at H.W. Luth. East, 7 p.m.  
Liv. Church at Garden City, 7:30 p.m.  
Liv. Stevenson at Westland Green, 7:30 p.m.  
Redford Union at Dearborn, 7:30 p.m.  
Southgate at Wayne Memorial, 7:30 p.m.  
Wat. Kettering at W.L. Central, 7:30 p.m.  
Red. Thurston at Allen Park, 7:30 p.m.  
Redford CC at Clawson, 7:30 p.m.

### Friday, Dec. 22

Ypsilanti at Redford CC, 7:30 p.m.  
Hem. St. Florian at St. Agatha, 7:30 p.m.

### PREP HOCKEY

Thursday, Dec. 21  
Liv. Stevenson vs. Bloomfield Hills Andover, Liv. Franklin vs. Bloomfield Hills Lusher at Detroit Skating Club, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.

### Friday, Dec. 22

Gab. Richard Tourney at Wyck, Yack Arena Liv. Church vs. Wyandotte, 6 p.m.  
Liv. Gab. Richard vs. A.P. Gabriel, 6 p.m.  
Friday, Dec. 22  
Gab. Richard Tourney at Yack, 6 and 8 p.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 23  
Redford CC vs. Liv. Stevenson at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

# North nails Novi

The middle-weight classes proved decisive for North Farmington's wrestlers Tuesday, as they snatched a victory from Novi 36-27.

North dominated the middle weights with pins in four classes and decisions in three. Both teams were wrestling shorthanded with several members out because of the flu.

Raider Joel Lattin, at 125 pounds, pinned Novi's Chad Gillan in 5:08. Raider Lucian VanCleave pinned Novi's Jeff VanDoren in 3:33 in the 155-pound class.

North's Scott MacFarland, at 140, pinned Wildcat Terence Erlinbach in 5:00. Raider Adam Cook, at 160, pinned Novi's Josh Riggs in 5:50.

North wrestles at Farmington at 6:30 p.m. today.

## wrestling

### OAKLAND COUNTY PHEP WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

(Saturday at Oakland Community College)  
TEAM RESULTS: 1. Lake Orion 253, 2. Clawson 215, 3. Troy Athens 139, 4. Novi 129, 5. Rochester Adams 127, 6. Waterford Kettering 126, 7. Grosse Pointe-Woodward 123, 8. (tie) Ferndale and Holly 117, 10. Southfield Lakeside 113, 11. Park Ridge 109, 12. Westland Lakeside 107, 13. Milford 99, 14. South Lyon 97, 15. Harper Park 87, 16. Rochester 87, 17. North Farmington 86, 18. Troy 85, 19. Clawson 80, 20. Auburn Hills Avondale 78, 21. Royal Oak Korbak 77, 22. Birmingham-Garden 76, 23. (tie) Royal Oak Durbin and Walled Lake Western 73, 25. West Bloomfield 72, 26. Waterford Lakes Central 68, 27. Bentley 67, 28. Farmington Hills Huron 60, 29. Farmington 59, 30. Pontiac Central 54, 31. Farmington West 51, 32. Oxford 47, 33. Oak Park 37, 34. Orchard Lake St. Mary's 37, 35. Macomb Heights Bishop Foley 36, 36. Birmingham Groves 31, 37. Bloomfield Hills Andover 29, 38. Southfield 25, 39. Bloomfield Hills Lusher 19, 40. Oak Lake of the Lakes 16, 41. Oakland Charter 10, 42. (tie) Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook and Lathrup 8, 43. Birmingham 8, 44. 112. Charlie Morgan (Ferndale) of Soren Murphy (Wil. Central), 7-4. Consolation: Sean Rizzo (Rochester) of Tom Ferrisoff (Adams), 10-6. Fifth place: Jim Aten (Birmingham) of Mike Watson (Kimbark), 12-8.

### 125 Andy Winiwudsky (Hoy) of Kent

William (Lathrup), 6-2. Consolation: Dan Ewechko (Kettering) of Andrew Horde (Stearns), 4-0. Fifth place: Ryan Basso (Lake Orion) of Mike Eberger (Adams), 7-3.  
130 Mike Conlin (Adams) default over John Anderson (Oakston), Consolation: Chris McDowell (Hoy) of Anthony Sabo (Adams), 9-1. Fifth place: Chris Grogan (Ferndale) pinned Dave Crockett (Clawson), 4-37.  
135 Dennis Pinks (Hazel Park) of Mark Lury (Lathrup), 6-4. Consolation: Mark Yock (Adams) pinned Mark White (Garden), 7-54. Fifth place: Mike Gowans (Hoy) of Travis Jacqua (W.L. Western), 6-4.  
140 Joe DeAngelo (Kimbark) of Matt Thompson (North Farmington), 3-2. Consolation: Jeff Wexborne (Lake Orion) of Chris DeLo (Adams), 4-1. Fifth place: Jason Eise (West Bloomfield) default over Adam Birt (Waterford Kettering).  
145 Pch Velasco (Lake Orion) of John Teropa (Oakston), 6-5. Consolation: Louis Katz (Milford Lakeside) of Chris Kusi (Farmington), 4-1. Fifth place: Anthony Foster (W.L. Western) of Brad Legree (Hazel Park), 8-1.  
152. Aro Sims (Birmingham) of Eric Zimmerman (Lake Orion), 11-2. Consolation: Tom Guoz (Adams) of Ten Kerr (Farmington), 5-7. Fifth place: Perry Rodriguez (Pontiac Northern) of Joe Guin (Troy), 3-0.  
160. Randy Brown (Avondale) of Curtis Macionis (Clawson), 10-5. Consolation: Bob Ductor (Troy) of Larry Olson (G. Lyon), 10-6. Fifth place: Jeff O'Neil (Hoy) of Rick Ayers (Lake Orion), 5-2.  
171: Adam Pok (Pontiac Northern) pinned Todd Gavis (Lake Orion), 26. Consolation: Chris West (Oakston) pinned Jerry Lawrence (Clawson), 2-04. Fifth place: Eric Mackinnon (South Lyon) of Mike Homard (Harford), 7-4.  
189. James Poppa (Waterford Kettering) of Jon Davis (Clawson), 8-3. Consolation: Jeremy Reitz (Lake Orion) pinned John Foley (Milford), 2-00. Fifth place: Marc Wiest (Birmingham) pinned Mike Jones (Ferndale), 3-53.

### INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Heavyweight: Bob Athens (Hoy) default over Matt Lake Orion, 8-5. Consolation: Matt Korman (Hoy) pinned Robert Hager (Avondale), 3-37. Fifth place: Damon Turner (Pontiac Central) pinned Pat McEl (South Lyon), 1-42.  
103 pounds: Brian Paquette (Hoy) of Bryan Perkins (Harford), 6-5. Consolation: Wade Hampton (Pontiac Northern) of Jeff Derouso (Clawson), 7-0. Fifth place: Matt Henry (Lake Orion) of Ben Betawask (Lathrup), 4-1.  
112. Charlie Morgan (Ferndale) of Soren Murphy (Wil. Central), 7-4. Consolation: Sean Rizzo (Rochester) of Tom Ferrisoff (Adams), 10-6. Fifth place: Jim Aten (Birmingham) of Mike Watson (Kimbark), 12-8.  
119: Tom McLennan (Lathrup) of Jeff Baker (Lake Orion), 11-6. Consolation: Kevin Smith (Clawson) pinned Dan Taylor (Pontiac Central), 3-20. Fifth place: Mike Mackinaw (Oxford) of Matt Olson (Adams), 8-6.

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