

# Top-ranked OU adds to win total

Oakland University's soccer team, already ranked first in the NCAA Division II's Central Region, solidified its standing with a pair of wins at the University of Missouri-S. Louis last weekend.

## soccer

The Pioneers improved to 11-1-1, the third-best effort in school history (they were 12-1 after 13 games in both '83 and '84), with a 3-2 victory over UMSL Friday and a 1-0 triumph over Northeast Missouri State Saturday.

The win over NMS was pivotal to OU's NCAA II playoff hopes. NMS was ranked second in the region entering the weekend.

Saturday's match was scoreless until early in the second half, when midfielder John Gentile scored following a long free kick by Chris Speen to Mike Thornton, who headed it to Gentile.

Against UMSL, the Pioneers had to battle back from a 2-1 deficit. They did, scoring twice in the final 19 minutes. Gentile got the tying goal on a penalty kick, awarded after he was fouled down in the penalty area by defender Brian Hennessy.

Thornton, who put OU ahead early in the game with a goal at the 8:35 mark, got the game-winner at 12:01 after a pass from Dominic Selcuna sprung him on a break through the middle of UMSL's defense.

After Thornton's first goal, UMSL took the lead on goals by Bob Ferguson and Steve Valle before OU's late rally.

The Pioneers travel to the Rollins College Tournament in Winter Park, Fla., this weekend.

**OU VOLLEYBALL:** The Pioneers recorded three homecourt wins last weekend, improving their record to 15-3 overall and 5-1 in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, and setting the stage for this weekend's league showdown with defending champ Ferris State, at OU Saturday.

The Pioneers routed Indiana-Purdue at Fort Wayne 15-1, 15-10, 15-4 Friday and Lake Superior State 15-1, 15-7, 15-6 Saturday before running into trouble against Lewis University in a second Saturday match. OU finally did prevail, battling back from large deficits in the last two games to win 13-15, 15-7, 9-15, 15-13, 15-11.

Two school records fell in the win over Lewis. Jennifer Zieliński carded 25 kills, eclipsing the previous

single-match record of 21 set by Tracey Jones in 1988. Zieliński hit .558 and also collected three solo blocks and eight block assists.

Holly Hatcher also bettered Jones' former mark, getting 23 kills and hitting .462. She also had three solos and three block assists. Melissa Holman added 15 kills (.324) and five block assists.

The second school mark was established by setter Janice Van Velsen, who had 75 assists-to-kills in the match. The former OU record was 59, by Kelly Williams in '87.

In Friday's win over IPFW, Zieliński had eight kills (.538), one solo and six block assists; Cindy Walsh had eight kills (.438); and Hatcher finished with five kills (.714) and three block assists.

Zieliński had six kills and four block assists in the win over wireless Lake Superior.

**ON TUESDAY,** the Pioneers won for the sixth time in seven GLIAC matches, besting Saginaw Valley State 15-9, 15-9, 15-8 at OU.

Hatcher, with 12 kills (.407), two solo blocks and four block assists; Zieliński, with 10 kills (.556), two solos and one block assist; and Julie Bardon, with six kills (.353), led the attack. The Pioneers hit .300 as a team.

OU is now 15-3 overall and trails unbeaten Ferris State by one. OU is tied with Grand Valley State for second; the Lakers visit OU at 7 p.m. Friday. The Pioneers meet Ferris State at 1 p.m. Saturday.

**OU CROSS COUNTRY:** Ken Osman captured his third-consecutive individual cross country title Friday at the Redrunner Invitational, hosted by Southwestern Community College in Dowagiac.

Osman completed the eight-kilometer course in 26:19. OU's John Myatt (from Avondale) placed 11th in 37:21, and Brian Jones was 11th in 27:44. The Pioneers finished second in the eight-team meet to host Southwestern (18 points), scoring 61 points.

The Pioneers travel to the Michigan Collegiate Championships at Michigan State Saturday, then prepare for the GLIAC championships in Houghton Oct. 20.

### OAKLAND COUNTY CROSS COUNTRY MEET (Saturday at Marshbank)

## cross country

#### Boys team results

1. Marford, 110; 2. Walled Lake Western, 124; 3. Whitehall Lakeside, 190; 4. Clarkston, 193; 5. Royal Oak Donors, 211; 6. Orionville Brandon, 261; 7. Novi, 284; 8. Rochester Adams, 292; 9. Oxford, 248; 10. Troy Athens, 358; 11. Birmingham Groves, 380; 12. Holly, 396; 13. Berkley, 402; 14. Lake Orion, 420.

#### Boys individual results

1. John Cowan (Hca), 15:50; 2. Ben Goba (Farm), 16:02; 3. Bill Crosby (WLW), 16:31; 4. Brian Potts (Hca), 16:31; 5. Deane Feeny (PH), 16:45; 6. Jeff Grossa (WLW), 16:49; 7. Brian Mabry (Nov), 16:50; 8. Scott Gosnow (PA), 16:51; 9. Bruce Cook (IS), 16:57; 10. Bruce Ladac (Wal, K), 16:57.4; 11. Mark Hauser (OB), 17:02; 12. James Runnels (Lakeland), 17:06.4; 13. Bill Detrich (MA) 17:06.7.

#### Girls team results

1. Southfield Christian, 125; 2. Marford, 134; 3. Holly, 148; 4. Farmington, 201; 5. Walled Lake Western, 236; 6. Walled Lake Central, 260; 7. Bloomfield Hills Andover, 291; 8. North Farmington, 324; 9. Lake Orion, 327; 10. Hazel Park, 348; 11. Rochester, 355; 12. Farmington Hills Mercy, 398; 13. Birmingham Groves, 407; 14. Troy Athens, 435; 15. Orionville Brandon, 492; 17. Troy, 495; 18. Birmingham Marian, 523; 19. Birmingham Seaholm, 531; 20. Pontiac Central, 538; 21. Rochester Adams, 553; 22. Ferndale, 606; 23. Novi, 652; 24. Detroit Country Day, 676; 25. Avondale, 709; 26. Berkley, 728; 27. Farmington Hills Harrison, 732; 28. Whitehall Lakeside, 769; 29. Royal Oak Donors DNS; Southfield DNS; Bloomfield Hills Lakeside DNS; West Bloomfield DNS; Southfield-Lathrup DNS; Waterford Kentonia DNS; Royal Oak Kirtland DNS; Orionville Brandon DNS; Pontiac Northern DNS; Madison Heights Langhorne DNS; Clawson DNS.

#### Girls individual results

1. Eke Thompson, (ROD) 19:38; 2. Jennifer Ray (WLW), 19:58; 3. Wendy Prosser (WLW), 20:18; 4. Joy Wright (IS), 20:35; 5. Jennifer Westorfer (Holly), 20:38; 6. Brooke Reaves (SRO), 20:39; 7. Sharon McCabe (HP), 20:40; 8.

# S'craft defeats Madonna netters

Madonna College's volleyball team has every reason to be feeling good. Once beaten in NAIA District 23 play, the Fighting Crusaders have rebounded from a shaky start to become strong contenders for the district crown.

So now that Madonna, in its fourth year, has seemingly become more than respectable, why can't it handle Schoolcraft College?

For the fourth consecutive season, the Lady Ocelots handed Madonna, this time in the finals of the Tiffin University Tournament Saturday, SC, which coach Tom Teeters has been calling his most talented ever (including his National Junior College Athletic Association champions), beat Madonna 15-0, 15-8 to claim the title.

"Our kids were sky-high," said Teeters. "We pretty much took out their best three players — (Evelle) Sluder, (Dana) Hicks and (Kristy) McFadden." "SC certainly did dominate the tournament. The Lady Ocelots won eight-straight games. Their other victims were Tiffin in the semifinals, 15-4, 15-9; Nazareth College 15-3, 15-6; and Central State 15-5, 15-3.

All four of SC's victims were four-year schools, which added to Teeters' delight. He has been liked by such schools' reluctance to play his team, while he always points out "we'll play anyone who can offer us competition."

The victory over Madonna in the final was particular-

ly gratifying to Teeters, since Crusader coach Jerry Abraham dropped SC from his schedule this year. Laura Brown sparked the first-game shutout, serving 14 points — five coming on aces. Elena Oparka added five kills in the game.

The Lady Ocelots exhibited more power in the second game, with Oparka getting four more kills. Angellette Love collecting five and Karl Domanski five. Jennifer Sproul had 14 assists-to-kills in the match.

On Tuesday, the Lady Ocelots whipped Mott 15-4, 15-8, 15-6 to improve to 5-9 in the Eastern Conference and to 18-2 overall. They have now won 24 straight games and 14 consecutive matches.

Oparka had 14 kills (.562 kill average) to lead the attack. Karl Domanski contributed 12 kills (.500); Love had eight (.375); and Renea Bonser five (.625). Christy Clark had three service aces, Sproul finished with 23 assists-to-kills and two aces; and Lisa Domke had seven digs.

**MADONNA DEFEATED** Concordia College 15-4, 15-10, 15-5 Tuesday at Madonna to improve to 5-1 in district play and 20-14 overall.

McFadden and Hicks paced the Crusaders with 11 kills apiece. Melissa Mars, Tonia Smith and Sluder added six kills each. Val Perrone and Jenny Sladewski led the defense, both with seven digs.

# Crawford paces SC

Chris Crawford led a potent Schoolcraft College offense, netting two goals to lead the Ocelots to a 6-1 trouncing of Cuyahoga Metro CC in a Region 12 Cuyahoga Soccer game at SC Saturday.

The win raised SC's region record to 5-0. A win at Macomb Wednesday would clinch the third-straight regional title for the Ocelots. They are 7-1-1 overall.

Crawford, from Walled Lake (Western), also had an assist for SC. Khalid Zeldan and Jerry Staszal added a goal and an assist apiece, with Jeff Vandermegel and Bob Hayes getting a goal each. Phil Tondo added two assists.

Tom Sullivan started in goal for the second-straight time for SC, in place of regular keeper Scott Hauman, who twisted an ankle in practice last week. Sullivan was replaced by Jeff Saylor in the second half.

## Regional tennis

Farmington Hills Mercy's No. 3 doubles team of Marsha McIntyre and Julie Schaner will be the top-seeded team in its flight Friday at the Class A girls tennis regional at Southfield-Lathrup.

Mercy, North Farmington, Farmington and tourney favorite Birmingham Marian will be among the 15 schools competing.

Mercy's No. 2 doubles team of Meghan Leadbetter and Molly McKenna is seeded second, and Tricia Holm is seeded fourth at No. 3 singles.

In the Northwest Little Eight JV meet at Bloomfield Hills Kingswood, the Marlin and Labser tied for first place with 11 points each Tuesday.

Mercy's No. 6 doubles team of Antonia Harbin and Anjali Mehta defeated Kingwood's Lindsey Moss and Sarah Vogler in the final, 6-7, 7-6, 6-4.

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