

Farmington Wins Relays' Team Crown

By ARTEE

It took the better part of six and a half hours under chilly, windy conditions but Farmington High's powerful Falcons had the most balance and therein was the difference between winning and not winning the first Observerland Relays Saturday at Hilbert Junior High in Redford Township.

The chilled crowd of more than 500 watched the Falcons' Falcons but it was cross-town

win the mile relay in convincing fashion and then left for warmer spots in front of television screens.

There were a few who stayed for the finals of the pole vault relay some two hours later, where Farmington clinched the team championship with a victory that gave it a total of 28 points, four more than second place North Farmington.

THE TITLE WENT TO THE Falcons but it was cross-town

North that won the most relays, capturing four of the 11 trophies.

The Raiders only had seven or eight men in competition but they won the shot put, the shuttle hurdle, long jump and 800-yard relays with a second in the 400-yard relay for 24 points.

With only the pole vault remaining, North was leading by a single point with 24 followed by Farmington 23 and Redford Union 22.

performances by Roger Blanchard and John Reed but neither was at his best and the chances for a victory and perhaps the team crown faded when Reed passed several heights and then missed entirely when he finally entered the competition.

Blanchard and Bob Durham, of Farmington, walked off for the best performance. It went to Durham when both cleared 13 feet but failed at 13'3".

Blanchard had the most misses and the first place went to Durham.

AS IT WAS when the points for the pole vault were added in, Farmington led with 26, followed by North Farmington 24, Redford Union 23, Bishop Borgess 20, Livonia Churchill 19, Livonia Bentley, Garden City West and Livonia Stevenson 11 each, Plymouth and Southfield 6 each, Garden City East 4, Southfield Lathrup 2.

Churchill surprised by winning two events, Redford Union and Bishop Borgess each took one.

Farmington lost four points in the 880-yard relay when it finished second but was disqualified for passing the baton outside of the zone.

The Falcons ran into more trouble in the shuttle hurdle relay when the second man tripped and fell just before finishing his lap but managed to stagger across and keep the team going.

As it was Farmington finished second in an event that it figured to give North Farmington a close fight all the way.

North's quartet of Mike Gow, Craig Dhux, Rick Puelling and Drew Mahalic flashed under the wire in a brilliant clocking of .57.8.

FARMINGTON was much the best in the mile and two-mile relays, winning the former in 3:27 and the latter in 8:09.

The individual times in the two mile were: Kim Jaskie 2:04.9, Mike McGlothlin 1:57, Doug Carville 2:11.5 and Kim Hilderbrand 1:55.8.

In the mile event, the clockings for the Falcon quartet were: Carville .53.5, Hilderbrand .51.1, McGlothlin .51.3 and Mark Timmons .51.2.

SHOT PUT — Won by North Farmington (Mahalic, Fowler, Crowl); 2, Farmington; 3, Garden City West; 4, Livonia Stevenson; 5, Bishop Borgess. Distance 141' 8". Most outstanding individual — Messay (Farmington), 155' 11".

FOUR MILE RELAY — Won by Livonia Churchill (Kobler, Kasper, Russell, Kugish); 2, Livonia Stevenson; 3, Farmington; 4, Redford Union; 5, Livonia Bentley. Time 18:49.9.

LONG JUMP — Won by North Farmington (Dhux, Moore, Gow); 2, Livonia Churchill; 3, Livonia Bentley; 4, Farmington; 5, Bishop Borgess. Distance 57' 11". Most outstanding individual — Mike Gow (North Farmington), 20' 8".

TWO MILE RELAY — Won by Farmington (Jaskie, McGlothlin, Carville, Hilderbrand); 2, Bishop Borgess; 3, Livonia Stevenson; 4, Livonia Bentley; 5, Redford Union. Time 8:09.2.

DISTANCE MEDLEY RELAY — Won by Redford Union (Kobler, Hilderbrand, Barker, Hatten); 2, Southfield; 3, Plymouth; 4, Bishop Borgess; 5, Livonia Churchill. Time 10:53.7.

880-YARD RELAY — Won by North Farmington (Dhux, Mahalic, Winterbottom, Gow); 2, Redford Union; 3, Bishop Borgess; 4, Garden City West; 5, Livonia Churchill. Time 1:33.9.

HIGH JUMP — Won by Livonia Churchill (Watson, Read, Honkal); 2, Redford Union; 3, Plymouth; 4, Southfield; 5, Garden City West. Distance 16' 7". Most outstanding performance — Dan Barker (Plymouth), 5' 10".

SHUTTLE HURDLE RELAY — Won by North Farmington (Gow, Dhux, Mahalic); 2, Farmington; 3, Bishop Borgess; 4, Garden City West; 5, Livonia Bentley. Time 57.8.

440-YARD RELAY — Won by Bishop Borgess (Nemec, Klamovich, DeFalco, Kallenbach); 2, North Farmington; 3, Redford Union; 4, Southfield Lathrup; 5, Livonia Churchill. Time: 45.09.

MILE RELAY — Won by Farmington (Carville, Hilderbrand, McGlothlin, Timmons); 2, Livonia Bentley; 3, Redford Union; 4, Livonia Churchill; 5, Bishop Borgess. Time 3:27.

POLE VAULT — Won by Farmington (Brown, Biedert, Durham); 2, Garden City East; 3, Garden City West; 4, Livonia Stevenson; 5, Redford Union. Height 23' 6". Most outstanding performance — Durham (Farmington), 13 feet.

Truax Hurls No-Hitter; Rocks' 1st Since 1956

It was a long time in between — 15 years — no-hit pitching games by a pitcher at Plymouth's High.

Back in 1956, one Biff Tate hurled a hitless masterpiece for the Rocks. Not until Monday when Brad Truax

achieved the feat had another Plymouth moundman turned the trick.

TRUAX, a senior righthander, gained the cherished circle for baseball pitchers by stopping Allen

Park, 5-0, as the Rocks posted their third win against two defeats in Suburban Six League action.

Truax fanned only two men, walked four and saw another man reach base on an error.

He got off to a rough start by walking the first two men he faced. But Truax then took charge and was in no further trouble the rest of the way.

Plymouth jumped into a 4-0 lead in the third inning when Steve Straley was hit by a pitch, Stan Britton walked and Howie Schryver was safe on an error for one run.

Jack Mathias followed with a two-run double and then after going to third on an infield out, stole home for the fourth run of the inning.

Dan Hees was safe on an error, took second on a sacrifice and scored on Straley's single.

REDFORD UNION remained unbeaten in Suburban Six play by downing Bentley, 4-3, in an eight inning duel.

Tom Wysocki singled in Bill Herbert with the winning run. Bentley had rallied to score two runs in the bottom of the seventh off ace RU pitcher, Randy Ferguson, who posted his eighth win without a setback.

Bentley pulled even on a hit by John Wallsheid, coupled

with two errors which put Tom Worniak and Dick Boehm aboard.

The first Bentley run resulted from an error after Boehm and Bob Sitkauskas walked and John Gents singled.

RU scored in the first inning when Herbert doubled home R. J. LeRoux, again in the second on a double by Mark Derringer and an infield out, and in the seventh on an error, sacrifice and single by LeRoux.

Tom Cook, pitching in relief of Brian Dinsmore, suffered the loss.

Glenn Wins Twin Bill From Wayne

The big bats of Roger Sanders and Daryl Demary carried John Glenn High's baseball team to a 9-4 and 9-7 sweep over Wayne Memorial.

Sanders went six for eight in the two games, socking three homers, two of which came in the first game.

Demary socked out five hits in seven at bats with one of his blasts being a homer. Glen Osborn and Mickey Cahill were the winning pitchers.



FORM LIKE THIS enabled Farmington's Nat Durham to win the pole vault at the first Observerland Relays and clinch the team trophy for his school. The pole vault didn't end until midnight on a cold, blustery night after six and a half hours of competition (Photo by Tom Donoghue)

Coach Beats Brother In Churchill Victory

So, you're the coach and you naturally want to see your team win — especially against a city rival.

It does just that, but when it's all over you have a sick feeling within.

That's what happened for coach Roger Frayer after his Churchill High baseball team won a 4-3 battle from Livonia Franklin.

What made Frayer unhappy about winning?

Well, his brother Rick pitched for Franklin, and was the losing pitcher.

"This was the first time my team had played against Rick," said coach

Roger. "The fact that we scored two unearned runs off him, well, you can understand. But, that's the way sports go."

Mike Keller gave up seven hits. So did Rick Frayer.

Franklin scored all its runs in the third inning when Randy Taylor and Frayer singled. John Grills doubled and Tom Battistone singled.

Churchill scored twice in the first inning when Steve Chlenko tripped two men in.

He knocked in Mickey Cron with a single in the fifth and then Mark Deroche scored the

winning run in the sixth on a single and three walks.

FRANKLIN CAME BACK the next day and split with Redford Union.

Bill Booker won for RU in the opener when his second hit drove in R. J. LeRoux in the seventh inning for a 4-3 victory. Booker gave up four hits.

In the second game, Franklin won, 5-4, scoring all five runs in the second inning.

Ron Nissum, the winning pitcher, helped his own cause with a two-run triple during the big uprising.



A SPARKLING 1:57 lap by Mike McGlothlin helped Farmington High's two mile relay team win the event at the first Observerland Relays. (Photo by Tom Donoghue)

Tom Young's Hurling Wins For Harrison

How's this for pitching out of a jam?

It happened in Monday's Western Six League game between Farmington Harrison and Livonia Churchill.

It was the sixth inning when George Panzoff led off for

Churchill with a triple against Gary Morrison of Harrison.

At this point, with Harrison clinging to a 3-2 lead, Tom Young was ordered to the mound by Coach Dick Tyler.

Young responded by fanning the next two batters and

retiring the third man on a pop fly to the infield.

He worked through the seventh inning with no trouble to preserve the 3-2 to win for Harrison.

Morrison gave up three hits during his stint on the mound for the winners, who now are 2-0 overall this season.

Harrison scored a single run in the third inning when Dan Hickey singled, in the fourth when Brian Collins walked and two errors followed, and in the fifth when Dave Duncan singled, stole second and scored on Young's single.

Mickey Cron walked twice and scored, both Churchill runs, the first one after an error and a fielder's choice, the second one after a stolen base and a single by Steve Chlenko.

Orchard Lake counted five times in the third inning.

With the aid of an error Sorrows scored three times in the fourth when Jeff Main singled along with Bill Holten and Bill Walesky.

Hits by Main, Holten, Walesky and Centers produced two more run Sorrows runs while Newt Hurst and Dave Urban singled after a walk to Walesky for another Sorrows run.

Blazok, Big Gun For Agatha

Denny Blazok ranks with the area's great all-around athletes.

Pick the sport... and he's a star.

Now the St. Agatha High veteran is sparkling in baseball. He was pretty much the entire show when St. Agatha swamped Our Lady of Sorrows, 11-5.

Blazok not only pitched the route and kept Sorrows well in check, he also clubbed two homers, one with three mates aboard during a five run second inning which locked up the game for St. Agatha.

Pat Brown also had two hits for the winners.

Blazok came through again on Sunday with a two-run hit as St. Agatha downed Bishop Borgess, 4-2. Brown was the winning pitcher.

Sorrows Sees Streak Ended

The winning ways of Our Lady of Sorrows in the Catholic League's Northwest Division ended when Orchard Lake St. Mary scored an 8-6 victory.

The loss left Sorrows with a 3-1 standing in the league.

Tom Centers suffered the loss while Walt Sakowski was the winner as Pete Krzyzewski led the way for the winners with two hits. He scored three runs.

Pinch Star

Gates Brown, Tiger outfielder, led American League pinch hitters in runs batted in with 13 in 1970.

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