

Raiders outscore Canton

North Farmington isn't a top-10 team in girls gymnastics, but the Raiders are building a solid case for themselves.

After a good showing Saturday in the Troy Athens Invitational, host North defeated No. 3-ranked Plymouth Canton and improved its dual-meet record to 6-0 Monday.

The Raiders scored 133.25, the Chiefs 132.80. North was sixth at the Athens event and less than a point behind fourth-place Canton, 132.70 to 131.75. The Chiefs are 1-1 in duals.

"We knew it would be a dogfight, and it was a great meet," said North coach Jeff Dwyer of the dual. "No one choked."

"We knew it was going to be close," Canton coach John Cunningham said, adding the Chiefs fell behind by 1.2 points after vault and trailed by roughly the same margin entering floor exercise.

"We went into floor knowing, if we had a good event, we could still win the meet. We had a fall and a major mistake, and that was the difference in the meet."

Canton's Kim Rennolds won three events and posted the top all-around score at 34.95. She was first on bars (8.6) and floor (8.95) and tied with North's Michelle Tsai for top score on beam, both with 8.75.

But the North combination of freshman Annie Jud and senior Jameelah Gater was too much for the Chiefs to match.

Jud was second overall (34.30) and Gater third (33.55). They tied for first place on vault (9.25). Gater was second on bars (8.3) and third on floor (8.4), and Jud was second on floor (8.45) and third on bars (8.23). Jud also finished fourth on beam (8.35).

Others who scored in the top five for the Raiders were Tsai, fourth on vault (8.75), and Ellyse Turner, fifth



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Ellyse Turner competes on the balance beam Monday for North, which defeated No. 3-ranked Canton.

on bars (7.9).

Canton's Jenny Tedesco edged Turner for fourth on bars (7.95), was fifth on beam (8.25) and placed fourth on floor (8.35). Kim Lewke was third on vault (8.9) and fifth on floor (8.0), and teammate Cara Stillings got third place on beam (8.4).

IN A DUAL meet Jan. 8 against

Bench rescues OCC squad

By C.J. Rieck staff writer

The top guys were missing. But, fortunately for Oakland Community College's men's basketball team, there was enough spare ammunition to do it.

Myron Banks has, in particular, supplied needed firepower. With four players who've started this season on the sidelines — leading scorer Rashe Reviere, Rod Hall and Zoran Ivezaj are having academic problems, and Khari Maxwell was out all — OCC's chances at Delta CC last Wednesday (Jan. 8) seemed remote.

But the Raider bench more than compensated. Six players reached double figures in scoring as OCC dumped Delta 97-95 in overtime.

On Saturday, the Raiders continued to get the needed support. Banks followed his 14-point, 11-rebound performance against Delta with a 25-point, 10-rebound effort in an 87-79 victory over visiting Alpena CC.

"EVERYONE'S PICKED up their level of play," said OCC coach Lynn

basketball

Maxwell returned for the Alpena contest and had eight points, six rebounds, three steals and a strong defensive game. Bill Knight also had eight points and 11 rebounds. The Raiders led 42-33 at the half, the Lumberjacks never got closer than

five in the second, thanks to OCC's 16-of-21 free throw shooting.

Prentice Phillips led Alpena with 14 points, all coming in the second half. Ryan Marlett had 13.

AGAINST DELTA, OCC had a chance to win in regulation but misfired on the front end of three one-and-one free throws in the final three minutes. Delta made up six points to tie it at 84-84 and force OT, but the Raiders were in command throughout the extra period.

Craft's 20 points led the Raiders. Knight and Woodmore had 17 apiece, with Knight grabbing 12 boards and Woodmore collecting five assists and six steals. Darin Brandt added 16 points, nine steals and seven assists, and Troy Coleman finished with 10 points, eight assists and six steals.

Ron Frierson led Delta (8-9 overall, 1-4 in the conference) with 22 points; Melvin Young had 21.

OCC plays at Itasca Ford CC Saturday. Reed hopes to have his missing players back by then, but they must make up their incomplete before returning to action.

S'craft women fall to St. Clair

A slow start and poor shooting proved to be too much for Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team to overcome Saturday at St. Clair CC, as the Skippers prevailed 82-62.

SC, which slipped to 2-3 in the Eastern Conference and to 12-7 overall, shot a miserable 28 percent from the floor. The Lady Ocelots trailed 54-36 at the half, but superb free throw shooting helped pull them to within nine points with 5:25 left to play.

SC coach Jack Grenan used the team's final timeout at that point and instructed his team to keep pushing the ball inside. The Ocelots made 19-of-20 second-half free throws and were 25-of-28 for the game, center Elis Guth was 10-of-10, making all eight of her foul shots in the second half.

And yet, the next two times down the court, the Ocelots put up 12-foot jumpers. "We had a little meeting about discipline after that," said Grenan. Guth finished with 21 points. Dana Gall had 17 and Dana Hodson 15. The win upped St. Clair's record to 3-1 in the conference.

"It wasn't for a lack of effort," said Grenan, describing his team's performance. "It was a lack of smarts. We needed to make one more pass."

North gymnasts 6th in Athens meet

By Dan O'Meara staff writer

Plymouth State's performance in the Troy Athens Invitational confirmed what the state high school gymnastics coaches say about the Rocks.

After winning the annual early season event by the stable margin of four-plus points, Salem deserves its No. 2 state ranking and unofficial title as the best team in eastern Michigan.

The Rocks achieved a 139.9 score to easily outdistance runner-up Freehold (137.2). Only defending state champion Muskegon Mona Shores is ranked higher than Salem.

"I guess it shows where we are compared to the other teams," Salem coach Rocky Martin said, "but I didn't expect it to be that big of a range."

"We had a good day but not the best we could. All of our girls are really doing well this year. If we just pull together as a team, we're going to be OK."

THE NEXT seven teams fall from either the Observer or Eccentric coverage areas. Rochester Adams (133.3), Plymouth Canton (132.7), Athens (131.9), North Farmington (131.75), Rochester (130.75), Troy (129.45) and Bloomfield Hills Lakeser (129.10), which tied for ninth

place with Holland.

Hounding out the 15-team field were Jackson County Western (122.95), Birmingham Seaholm and Royal Oak Kinnell (122.70), Berkley (103.75) and Farmington (94.40).

Salem was led by freshman Stephanie Skeppstrom, who won a vault competition (9.4) and finished among the top 10 in three events, and junior Courtney Gonyea, who was second in floor exercise (9.2) and third in all-around scoring (34.85).

Skeppstrom would have been second in the all-around with a 35.70, but Martin could designate only two gymnasts to receive medals. Salem's Sarah Makins was sixth in the all-around (34.12).

Skeppstrom also tied with teammate Melissa Hopson for fifth place on bars (8.6), finished ninth on floor (8.9) and was 11th on beam (8.3). Gonyea placed seventh on vault (8.15) and tied with Makins for ninth on beam (8.45). Makins achieved her all-around total with 9.0 on vault (11th), 8.25 on bars (11th) and 8.45 on floor (18th).

Julie Harjes had the top individual finish for Adams when she tied for second place on bars with Gonyea and Freehold's Sara Kelly, who was the all-around winner with a 36.65 score.

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