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Bandits are co-champs

The Farmington Bandits were co-champions of their division during the outdoor select soccer season, finishing 6-2-1 and sharing first place with the Downriver Blazers.

The Blazers advanced to the championship game, however, since they defeated the Bandits twice during the regular season.

"It's a lot easier to accept being runners-up to a team like Downriver because they're such a good team," Bandits coach Tom Faro said.

"We had a great year, I won't forget. I am very proud of my players. They represented Farmington very well."

Team members are Tony Ciaramitaro, Dante Delplazo, Brendan Fay, Jeff Gandolfo, Ian Gray, Chad Goshorn, Jason Grosshart, Sagar Janveja, Tony Juncal, Jacob Lawrence, Maurice Ojeda, Shane Patterson, Travis Schrowe, Greg Thursam, David Viane and Phil Winton.

Farmington assistant coaches are Rodger Wartin (offense), Gary Thursam (defense) and Scott McKay (goalkeepers).

Krone to ride at DRC

Julie Krone, the world's winningest female jockey, will make a special promotional appearance Sunday at Ladbroke DRC.

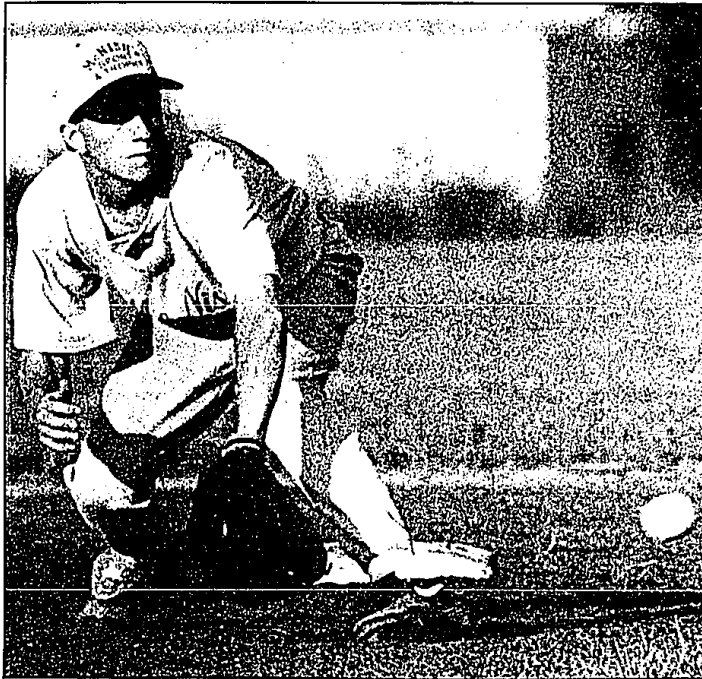
Krone, who recently became the first woman rider to annex a Triple Crown event by winning the Belmont Stakes aboard Colonial Affair, will meet fans, sign autographs and pictures, and ride in two allowance races on the July 11 evening card. (One of the allowance races will be named in her honor.)

Born and raised in Benton Harbor, Krone has never ridden at a recognized thoroughbred track in Michigan.

The 23-year-old rider has amassed over \$40 million in purse winnings during her 12-year career. In May of 1989, Krone was featured on the cover of Sports Illustrated magazine.

Beginning at 5 p.m. Sunday, Krone will be available to meet with patrons on the grandstand apron.

NFWB I hurler tosses shutout, 7-0



JOHN STORME/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Post 346 wins: Shortstop Matt Woolf and his American Legion teammates ended an eight-game losing streak Tuesday with a 5-2 victory over Clawson.

The North Farmington-West Bloomfield I Connie Mack baseball team recorded a pair of league victories earlier this week after a runner-up finish in tournament play last weekend.



Dan Pydyn pitched a shutout victory as North Farmington-West Bloomfield I defeated Canton 7-0 Tuesday in a Little Cae game.

The visitors managed only five hits off Pydyn, who struck out eight and walked one through seven innings at West Bloomfield High.

Doug Gaughan drove in three runs with two hits, which included a solo homer. John Heller also had two hits and one RBI. Jay Davey and Brian Kalczynski added RBI doubles.

NFWB, 6-1 in the league, edged host Salem 3-2 Monday when Heller singled to score Mike Jehle with the winning run in the top of the seventh inning.

Gaughan and Heller had two hits each again, and Kalczynski had an RBI single.

Both pitchers went the distance, with NFWB's Martin Stonehouse outdueling Mike Marrella. The winners had nine hits and Salem five. Stonehouse fanned five and walked four, Marrella six and one.

NFWB, the defending champion in the Tom Conway Memorial Tournament, finished second this year after losing 8-7 to hometown Jackson Wendy's in the final Sunday.

Wendy's scored six runs in the third inning to lead 6-1 and was never behind after that. Davey pitched 2 1/2 innings and took the loss. Adam Wood held Wendy's to two runs and four of its 14 hits after that.

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Pitching leads All-Area team

1993 ALL-AREA
SOFTBALL TEAM

FIRST TEAM

P-Natly Holmes, Py, Canton
P-Mary Jo Kelly, Liv, Ladywood
P-Karen Jose, Liv, Churchil
C-Chrisley Daly, Liv, Churchil
INF-Dani Mortiere, Py, Canton
INF-Hazden Mitchell, Red, Union
INF-Chris Wypkowski, Was, Glenn
INF-Kate Strahan, Py, Canton
OF-Jenny Kitz, Garden City
OF-Lisa Rozum, Liv, Ladywood
OF-Amanda Tubaugh, Py, Salem
OF-Jeanne Baxter, St. Agatha

SECOND TEAM

P-Laure Williams, St. Agatha
P-Tracy McManamon, Red, Union
C-Jamie Cook, Was, Glenn
INF-Alison Stein, N. Farmington
INF-Stacey Fields, Liv, Churchil
INF-Stacey Addi, Liv, Ladywood
INF-Jenny Seaver, Farmington
INF-Kate Hoffman, Farm, Mercy
INF-Lisa Schuler, Py, Canton
OF-Jaclyn Deane, Liv, Franklin
OF-Sarah Rowe, Py, Canton
OF-Natly Metterbach, Farm, Mercy

COACH OF YEAR

Lisa Parsons, Livonia Ladywood

HONORABLE MENTION

Westland John Glenn Lynn Lint, Amanda Samokowak, Jamie Gulek, Lathan Westland Erin Olson, Tracy Lapum, Leslie Turgeon, Julie Clark, Jurgon, Amy Siefert, Maria Valley Brenda Maymorn, Wayne Merrick, Karen Wilson, Maggie Colgan, Erin Co; Redford St. Agatha Amy Wint, Laura Venning, Susan Kustatz, Redford Union Brandy Casby, Christine Miller, Redford Therapist, Theresa Agui, Deanne Ambrose, Amy Katt, Garden City Nicole Laugel, Vonne Jaska, Michelle Spica, Shannon Bush, Plymouth Eastern Katie Drinkhahn, Lisa Nicastri, Colleen Baker, Plymouth Salem Dawn Marocco, Jenny Garvey, Jenny Coleman, Janey Viau, Amber Trombetta, Plymouth Christiani Nancy Koenig, Kadi Reed, Kristina Tilly, Farmington Nicole Bingham, Sara Thomas, Dina Aoki, North Farmington Kate Macle, Helanie Chorney, Amy Keiman, Beely Thurson, Jennifer Cassidy, Farmington Harrison Amanda Ault, Jenny Minkala, Heather Hopkins, Kelly Lacasse, Farmington Merissa Fox, Taiseta Fields, Heidi Gales, Brandy Williams.

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

The 1993 All-Observer softball team represents the last high school hurrah for one of the area's all-time great players: Plymouth Canton pitcher Kelly Holmes.

The future University of Michigan player is one of only a few athletes to make an all-area team four times.

Holmes, a straight-A student, also won the Michigan High School Athletic Association scholar/athlete award in softball this year.

She compiled a 73-12 record, 958 strikeouts and 0.49 earned-run average during her career. Holmes also hurled 15 no-hitters and had 21 one-hit efforts. She pitched a total of 610 innings.

Canton teammate and shortstop Dani Mortiere, who also played four years on the varsity, is the only other all-area repeat first-team selection.

Livonia Churchill pitcher Karen Jose and catcher Chrissy Daly and Livonia Ladywood pitcher Mary Jo Kelly made the second team last year and are among the top 12 players in 1993.

Lisa Parsons, who guided Livonia Ladywood to the Central Division title and a Class A district championship in her first year, was named Coach of the Year. The Blazers were 22-12-1.

ALL-AREA FIRST TEAM

Kelly Holmes, pitcher, Plymouth Canton: The future University of Michigan pitcher completed an outstanding four-year career with a fine senior season.

Holmes was 20-3 with 321 strikeouts in 165 innings, and her earned-run average was 0.20. She allowed 43 hits and 15 walks.

She led the Chiefs to their second-straight Western Lakes Activities Association championship this year and a runner-up finish in the Class A tournament last year. Holmes will play in the high school all-star game Saturday, July 31, in East Lansing.

"She's done everything for us," coach Jim Arnold said. "She's a team player and a leader in every respect. I'm sure she'll walk into U-M and contribute right from the beginning."

"She helped us in many ways, not just in pitching but with the bat, her attitude and also helping the younger girls."

Mary Jo Kelly, pitcher, Ladywood: Kelly led the Blazers into the Catholic League and Class A regional playoffs. She was 22-11 with a 1.07 earned-run average. She had 257 strikeouts and 89 walks in 235 innings.

Kelly also figured prominently in the Ladywood batting order, hitting .313 with 31 hits. Her 12 extra-base hits included seven triples and one home run. The All-Catholic player also scored 24 runs and had 30 RBI. Her on-base and fielding percentages were .500 and .973, respectively.

"She's real consistent, a real solid player," Parsons said, "and she's always a threat when she's at the plate. She was a leader on our team, being one of two seniors."

Karen Jose, pitcher, Churchill: Jose compiled a 15-3 record, with all three losses being to Canton. She posted six shutouts and threw one no-hitter.

In 126 innings, she had 187 strikeouts and only 22 walks. Jose also had an impressive 0.78 earned-run average.

She also was one of Churchill's top hitters, batting .339. In 20 games, she had 21 hits (five doubles and two triples) and 13 RBI. Jose led the defense in assists with 32.

"She's a strong pitcher with good control," coach Dana Hardwidge said. "She worked hard in the off-season to improve her pitching selection. Her strength has to be her consistency. She's really good at hitting the corners."

Chrissy Daly, catcher, Churchill: Daly led the Chargers in hitting with a .371 average and also was tops in hits (26), runs (26) and RBI (16). She had two doubles, one triple and one home run.

Daly, who had a .463 on-base average, was 44-of-48 in stolen bases the past two years and was successful every time this year.

"She's made people nervous when she was at the plate," Hardwidge said. "She put a lot of pressure on infielders. Defensively, she has a quick release, and teams didn't attempt to steal much on her."

"Chrissy was a big part of our success the past two seasons. She was always a threat defensively and offensively because of her speed and aggressiveness."

Danielle Mortiere, infielder, Canton: The senior shortstop was a mainstay in the field along with teammate Kate Strahan for most of her high school career.

Mortiere batted .362 this year, scored 27 runs and had 21 RBI. Her 34 hits include six doubles, one triple and two home runs. She was 18-of-20 in stolen bases. Mortiere made only four errors at a demanding defensive position.

"She's in the same class with Kelly Holmes, another team leader," Arnold said. "Dani is a spirited young lady who takes command of the infield."

"She's another once-in-a-great-while ballplayer who can do anything you can't hear to do. She can play any position but pitcher. She's a gifted athlete."

Heather Mitchell, infielder, Redford Union: Mitchell, who will attend the Air Force Academy and try out for the softball

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