

# SPORTS

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## FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

### Rockets 3rd in relays

Westland John Glenn has been awarded third place in the 24th annual Observer-Land Relays after a correction in the final standings.

The Rockets originally were fifth after meet officials totaled the points late Saturday at Livonia Churchill. But it was learned Sunday that Glenn had not been credited with the six points it earned from a third-place finish in the shot put.

With the extra points, the Rockets moved from fifth place in the standings with 63 points to third with 59.

Redford Catholic Central, which was given the third-place trophy in awards ceremonies, and Northville still have 56 and 54 points but fall to fourth and fifth, respectively.

Meet officials had given Glenn's six points to Farmington High, which falls from sixth to seventh with 32 1/2 points. Churchill moves from seventh to sixth with 36 points.

CC coach Tony Magni said he will bring the trophy to the Class A regional Friday, May 20, at Redford's Howard Kraft Field and give it to Glenn coach Jess Shough.

"We're excited," Shough said. "This is a big lift. The kids really ran hard and worked for it. It wasn't a fluke; we scored in a lot of places."

This is the second straight year CC has had to settle for fourth place at a major meet after thinking it was third.

The Shamrocks took fourth at the Class A state meet last year after reading in a Sunday newspaper they were third. An error was later found in those final standings, also.

### Mercy golf victory

Junior Amy Schulkins shot 47 Tuesday at Tanglewood Golf Course in South Lyon to lead Farmington Hills Mercy in its 201-207 win over Northville.

Sommer Woods and Tina Madej finished at 50, and Gina Mazzoni 54 to complete the Mercy scoring. Northville's Lindsay Casterline was the match medalist with a 43.

The Marlinas are 11-0 in dual meets.

### Softball victory



Let it slide: Harrison's Stephanie Schwalm slides into third base as the throw eludes Shaton Burke of Walled Lake Western. Harrison won 2-1. See story on Page 2B.

## Gaul's next hurdle: to qualify for NCAA



Shellie Gaul, former all-area track athlete at Farmington High School, not only continued her sports career at Ferris State University but is having plenty of success, too. She does several events but is best in the hurdles.

BY DAN O'MEARA

Shellie Gaul of Farmington has competed in one national track meet this year and hopes to make it two Saturday.

The Ferris State University junior will attempt to qualify for the NCAA Division II Championships this weekend at the Michigan Invitational in Ann Arbor.

Gaul's specialty is the 100-meter hurdles, but she also will be running as part of the 400 relay team.

"It's realistic," Gaul said. "I'm a little farther off (the qualifying time) than my indoor times. But Shellie Gaul we're done with school and I have nothing else to do, so I'm going to give it all I can. I have to run a lot faster, but it's possible."

It's already been quite a year for Gaul, a former Farmington High athlete who finished 12th in the hurdles at the national indoor meet in March.

At the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference finals last weekend in Saginaw, Gaul was second in the hurdles (14.95) and fifth in the triple jump (33.74).

She also was the lead runner on the 400 relay team that finished second with a time of 48.5.

"I was pleased with (the results)," Gaul said. "This year has been a lot of work, but it's been fun. We were supposed to win the whole meet, but



it didn't work out."

The Lady Bulldogs were runners-up behind Hilldale in outdoor track but won the indoor title and shared the overall championship with the Chargers.

Gaul was runner-up to Saginaw Valley's Kim Aubert (14.69) in the outdoor meet, but she had beaten her rival at the indoor meet when Gaul set a school and GLIAC record of 8.23 in the 55-meter hurdles.

"It wasn't as close as I would have liked (in the outdoor race), but we've been going at it all year," Gaul said.

The indoor nationals, where she ran 8.32, was a learning experience for Gaul, who still holds the Farmington High record of 15.1 in the 100 hurdles and has a best collegiate time of 14.85.

"It was a shocker; it was a big eye-opener," she said. "I think I'll be a little better prepared next time."

"I had no idea what I was getting into. Everybody there was good; it was the best of the best. There were no slugs, I guess you could say, at that meet."

The triple jump was something Gaul took up in college and is an example of her athleticism and versatility. Her career best is 35-3.

"My freshman year they needed someone to take a few points in the conference meet," she said. "I was the only one who had an open spot. They only needed a fifth or sixth. I got some points (fifth place) even though I didn't know what I was doing."

See GAUL, 4B

## Falcons overcome Hawks; Raiders deadlock Chargers

The adage "defense wins games" was proven by Farmington Monday as the host Falcons shutout Farmington Hills Harrison 2-0.

Farmington (3-5) broke open a scoreless game in the second half when Laura McWilliams led Krisay Mahon, who scored the first of her two goals. The junior midfielder added an insurance goal off a scramble in front of the Harrison net.

But it was the stingy Falcon defense that thwarted the Hawks. Farmington coach Bob Neff praised the defensive efforts of Amanda Porter, Erica Gwynn, Corrie Kempel, Erin Kynny, Denise Lauhoff and Beth Chabbers.

"They kept the ball from getting over the half line for most of the game and stopped most of Harrison's threats," Neff said.

The beneficiary of the good defense was Jessica Guilford, who recorded her third shutout of the season.

"Krisay has been a leader at the center/midfield spot all year and has been in the right spot at the right time for us," Neff said.

Harrison coach Glenn Bruhan cited midfielder Carrie Earle and defenders Dana Dixon and Marie Pinsky for their solid play in the game.

"I thought their first half was even," Bruhan said. "In the second half, Farmington played very well and dominated the game."

### SOCCER

Kristen Wolters, a defender converted to forward, scored all three Harrison goals on breakaways May 5 when host Berkeley rallied from a 2-1 halftime deficit to beat the Hawks 4-3.

"We played really well in the first half, and they wanted it more in the second half," Bruhan said, adding winger Erica Rice and sweeper Carey Perkins played well for Harrison (2-7-1).

**NORTH 3, CHURCHILL 3:** North Farmington achieved another milestone Monday by tying perennial soccer power Livonia Churchill.

The Chargers were playing without six starters, however, five of whom were suspended for disciplinary reasons and one (all-star Almoe Cousins) because of injury.

Actually, it was host Churchill that tied the Raiders, who led 3-1 at halftime and then gave up two second-half goals.

Junior forward All Lord scored all three goals on breakaways for North (5-3-1), and Jenna Geiger, Erika Dyke and Carrie Tajo assisted on the goals.

Churchill's Michelle Zewlak tied the score 1-1, and Kent Zerardi and Stacy Baker scored in the second half off corners and free kicks, respectively.

"It seems we always play a strong game in the first half," North coach Kris Galczyk said. "We shut them down in the midfield area, we were playing very strong on defense."

"Churchill worked hard and beat us by momentum to the ball (in the second half). We lost control of the midfield,

and they began to create scoring opportunities.

The good news for my team is Churchill didn't score from the action. They scored from free kicks, and that's something we can work on and prevent."

The Raiders defeated Plymouth Salem for the first time previously, and it was the first time North tied Churchill (8-2-2).

"The game with Salem was more important, because Salem is in our division," Galczyk said. "However, it's a significant achievement. Most of the time we were losing by at least a couple goals."

**BISHOP FOLEY 5, MERCY 1:** Madison Heights Bishop Foley took the lead in the Catholic League Central Division with its win Monday over visiting Farmington Hills Mercy.

The Marlinas slipped to 6-1-1 in the division (8-2-2 overall), and Foley improved to 7-0-1 in the division.

Mercy fell behind 5-0 before Theresa Cleo scored its only goal off a penalty kick late in the first half.

"I think we gave it all Saturday against Plymouth Canton and were possibly drained and not focused today," Mercy coach Deepak Shivraman said. "The injuries have killed us, too. We lost our starting goalie, our second-leading scorer and, tonight, our sweeper."

"I think Foley wanted the game more, and they were on top of their game. We were sloppy, like a wagon missing a wheel."

On Saturday, Mercy lost a heartbreaker, 1-0 decision at Canton as the Chiefs scored the only goal of the game in the first 10 minutes.

"We lost four players to injury, but it was a very good game," Shivraman said. "I hate to bad things about referees, but we had three imposters on the field Saturday. By halftime, I was almost ready to pack it in and leave."

## Latra leads Farmington to victory

Nick Latra had one of those rare and extraordinary days when just about everything goes right for a player Monday.

The Farmington High sophomore nearly did it all pitching and hitting as the Falcons blanked host Livonia Stevenson 13-0 in baseball.

Latra pitched a three-hit, complete game and evened his record at 3-3. The right-hander struck out seven and walked two in the five-inning marney.

He also led the team's 18-hit attack by going 3-for-4 and almost

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bitting for the cycle. He had everything but the single, including a two-run homer and three RBI.

"That's having a day — all the way around," Stevenson coach Mike Keller said.

Latra was not alone in producing big hits, however. Phil Carson parked a three-run homer and Ron Salomonson a two-run blast.

Curt Katals, Jake Siskosky and

Carson had two hits apiece. Katals scored two runs and Siskosky had one RBI.

Farmington, in winning four of its last five games, improved to 4-3 in the Lakes Division and 8-11 overall. The Spartans are 1-6 and 5-11.

On Saturday, the Falcons lost 6-4 to South Lyon in the first round Redford Union tournament before other scheduled games were rained out.

Wes Corwell, a JV pitcher

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