

# Swimmers ready for state-meet finale

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Farmington Hills Mercy was the No. 1-ranked team in dual meets, but that doesn't mean the Marlins will be favored to win the Class A championship this weekend.

The state-meet format probably favors some other teams whose lineups are better suited

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(less depth and more top talent) for that type of competition.

But the Marlins will send a large contingent to the state finals Friday and Saturday at Michigan State University, and they plan to do well even if they

don't win it all.

"Dual meets are totally different," Mercy coach Jim Downs said. "But our relays good and we have good people."

"We're going to do better than we did last year. We were only 13th, so we're going to move up a lot this year."

Leading the Marlins will be Elizabeth Posvar, who was third in the individual medley and ninth in the backstroke. She'll swim the IM again but make the 100 freestyle her second event.

"She's done a very good job in the 100 free, so she picked that one," Downs said, adding Posvar could be top six in both events.

"She'll be right there."

Mercy's Kelly Carlin also will swim the IM and 100. The Marlins will lead up in the 200 and 500 freestyle with Amy McCullough, Elizabeth MacDonald and Betsy Lambert swimming both.

Danielle Clayton is entered in the 50 freestyle, Erin Downs and Jenny MacDonald (11th place last year) in the butterfly and Emily Thompson in the 200 freestyle. Katie Callan will swim the medley relay.

The Marlins qualified all three relays and should be seeded in the top six in the medley and 400 freestyle, according to Downs.

"We'll see what happen when we get there," he said. "It's a question of all the talent showing up."

Mercy's 400 freestyle team was eighth last year and returns intact with Carlin, Clayton, MacDonald and Posvar also were on the medley team that finished 10th.

Farmington Harrison sophomore Lindsey Fetters was fifth in the IM and backstroke and will swim both events again.

"With her league-meet times, she's capable of scoring; she should reach the top six," coach Ross Bandy said.

"The IM is looking tougher, but I expect her to return in that. It should be a faster state meet, especially in distance freestyle. The slowest event could be the 100 free; the 50 will be tremendous."

Harrison's Dana Schwalm will compete in the 50 and 100, Julie Kluka the 500. Taylor Gond will join the other three on the medley and 400 relays. The Hawks were 12th in the latter a year ago.

"I don't know if our relays will be as fast," Bandy said, adding Harrison went 1:55 in the medley during the Western Lakes prelims. "Eight years ago at Farmington that was good for seventh place (in the state). We'll have to go at least two seconds faster to be in the top 12."

"In the 400, we swam better at the league meet this year, but I'm not sure how much faster we can go. It will be really competitive, but I think we can hang in there."

Schwalm finished in the top 12 in the 50 two years ago but just missed last year.

"Every hundredth of a second counts in the 50; her best shot could be the 100," Bandy said. "I just want my kids to swim well and have fun. I'm glad they made it and can compete. I want the best to happen for them, and I think it will."

North Farmington's Hannah Pawlewicz will swim the 50 freestyle and butterfly, Cheri Faber the 50 and Neva Alver the breaststroke. Alver was 13th last year.

Those three and Tara Grider will swim the medley relay, and

## BEST SWIM TIMES

<b>200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY</b> Livonia Stevenson 1:50.33 Farmington Hills Mercy 1:52.70 North Farmington 1:52.92 Plymouth Salem 1:54.31 Farmington Harrison 1:56.30	<b>100 FREESTYLE</b> Amy McCullough (Mercy) 1:56.27 Julie Kern (Stevenson) 1:57.14 Elizabeth MacDonald (Mercy) 1:58.42 Adrienne Turri (Stevenson) 1:58.76 Meghan Mocer (Stevenson) 1:58.98 Kelly Carlin (Mercy) 1:59.92 Betsy Lambert (Mercy) 2:00.08 Angela Smetkosky (Churchill) 2:00.13 Lindsay Fetters (Harrison) 2:00.46 Hannah Pawlewicz (N. Farmington) 2:00.72	<b>500 FREESTYLE</b> Julie Kern (Stevenson) 6:05.41 Amy McCullough (Mercy) 5:10.29 Meghan Mocer (Stevenson) 5:15.88 Kelly Carlin (Mercy) 5:17.78 Christina Mocer (Ladwood) 5:18.09 Elizabeth MacDonald (Mercy) 5:18.32 Adrienne Turri (Stevenson) 5:21.14 Angela Smetkosky (Churchill) 5:23.13 Lindsay Fetters (Harrison) 5:23.33 Christina Mocer (Ladwood) 5:24.58	<b>200 FREESTYLE RELAY</b> Livonia Stevenson 1:39.80 North Farmington 1:41.50 Farmington Hills Mercy 1:42.09 Plymouth Salem 1:43.65 Livonia Churchill 1:45.60
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:  
That the City Council of the City of Farmington Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, has tentatively declared its intention to make the following improvement:  
Construction of ROAD IMPROVEMENTS to be located in the City as follows:

PORTIONS OF KIMBERLEY SUBDIVISION AND ACREAGE PARCELS IMMEDIATELY NORTH  
That plans and specifications outlining the improvement and the location thereof are on file with the City Clerk for public examination, along with the cost of said improvement which are proposed as follows:

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT: \$1,899,600.00  
PERCENT OF COST ASSESSED TO DISTRICT: 60.00%  
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST TO DISTRICT: \$1,172,760.00  
AVERAGE COST PER BASIC UNIT TO BE ASSESSED: \$484.60

That the City Council has tentatively designated the proposed special assessment district to include the following properties:

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23-14-271-001 AND 002  
23-14-402-003 THROUGH 017  
23-14-401-001 THROUGH 025  
23-14-427-001 THROUGH 017  
23-14-451-001 THROUGH 041  
23-14-453-001 THROUGH 016, 029  
23-14-472-001 THROUGH 017

That the City Council will meet in the City Hall Council Chamber, 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan, on the 24th day of November, 1997, at 7:30 o'clock, p.m., Eastern Standard Time, to hear and consider any objections to the said improvement.

If the City Council approves the making of the improvements, a special assessment may be levied against properties that benefit from the improvements. Act 186 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1973, as amended, provides that the special assessment must be protested at the hearing held for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll before the Michigan Tax Tribunal may acquire jurisdiction of any dispute involving the special assessment. The hearing for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll will be held, if at all, at some time in the future pursuant to notice given as required by law. Appearance and protest at such hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner of or party in interest in property to be assessed, or his or her agent, may appear in person to protest the special assessment, or may protest the special assessment by letter filed with the City Clerk at or prior to the time of the hearing, in which case appearance in person is not required.

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KATHRYN A. DORNAN,  
City Clerk

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UNIT #	NAME	ITEMS FOR SALE
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Kristen Burke will replace Alver in the 200 freestyle relay.

"Hannah is a good big-meet swimmer, so I anticipate her doing quite well," North coach Pat Duthie said. "Time-wise, I'm sure she'll have a very good performance, and we'll see where those performances put her. If she swims the kind of times she did during the season, that will be enough to score."

"Neva, because of the way she finished last year, has a good chance score."

"Cheri is a real key to our relays. She hurt her back in the conference meet, so we're hoping she'll be ready to go this week-

and she has always gone to the state meet and swam faster than she did in the conference meet; hopefully, she will again.

"In the relays, you count on all four people to swim well to score, and that's what makes relays fun."

Duthie thinks the overall times could be better this year.

"The state meet has been getting faster and faster," he said. "The races are getting better and better in terms of the number of kids who swim well."

"You have to go ready to swim well the first day, or your chance of seeing Saturday won't be very good."

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