

WEEK-AHEAD

Ault fires 1-hitter again for Hawks

Senior Ali Ault pitched her fourth one-hitter for the young softball season Friday, and Farmington Harrison followed her lead for a 6-0 victory over visiting Livonia Churchill.

It was the second time this year Ault (4-1) has taken a no-hitter into the seventh inning. Kristin Derwick broke up the no-hit bid with a leadoff single.

Ault, who struck out 12 and didn't walk anybody, never went to a three-ball count with any batter. The Chargers had just one other baserunner, that being the result of an error.

Freshman Meghan Misiak pitched a complete game for Churchill, allowing eight hits and four walks, but the Chargers also made four errors behind her. Misiak had eight strikeouts.

Harrison had expected to face Churchill's Adrienne Doyle and had spent practice time preparing for her sinker pitch.

The Hawks had to adjust to Misiak's style of pitching but eventually started hitting the ball, according to Harrison coach Mike Teachman.

Jenelle Welling and Gayle Ternes had two hits and one RBI for the Hawks. Ault helped her cause with an RBI triple and also scored two runs.

In her first varsity at-bat,

SOFTBALL

Ternes drove in the only run her team needed with a two-out double in the second inning.

Welling, who replaced injured Ali Ault behind the plate at the start of the season, also played a flawless game at catcher, Teachman said. Her solid catching has contributed to Ali Ault's superb pitching, he added.

"Jenelle has been a real blessing," Teachman said, "because she has stepped right in and done everything right."

Ari Ault, who has been fitted for a knee brace, could play again this week, but Welling's performance means Teachman has other options besides playing Ault at catcher.

"We could use (Ault) at other positions to give those players a chance to rest and observe the game," he said.

Harrison is 2-1 in the Western Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association and 5-1 overall. Churchill is 0-3 and 5-6.

Hawks post shutout win

Ault also pitched a shutout Wednesday as Harrison routed Farmington, 11-0. Ault fanned nine and walked one while tossing her third one-hit-

ter. Ault swung the ball well, too, going 3-for-4 with a triple and two RBIs. She scored two runs.

Welling, who was 2-for-3 and also scored twice, knocked in five runs with a bases-loaded triple and a two-run single.

Katrina Vitiana, who has been flawless (no errors) at shortstop this year, was on base four times with two hits, a walk and an error, and she scored three runs.

The unsung hero, according to Teachman, was senior Leslie Schrock, who played center field for the first time.

As a sophomore, she was a pitcher; she played first base last year and became the left fielder this year.

"She just does what's good for the team," Teachman said.

The Hawks had 11 hits, including one by junior Lindsay Martinik, who had her first varsity hit.

Kristen Brown had the lone hit for the Falcons. Jessica Brown was the losing pitcher. She walked three, hit two and struck out two.

Raiders defeat Falcons

North Farmington's Samantha McComb got the action started with a first-inning home run Friday, and the host Raiders never

looked back as they cruised to an 11-2 win over Farmington.

McComb finished the game 3-for-4 with three RBIs; she also scored three runs. Chrissy King, Minna Hindo and Lauren Ouellette had two hits each, including doubles by King and Hindo.

King also had two RBIs; Kelly McKeon, who scored a pair of runs, Hindo and Ouellette had one each.

The Raiders led 5-0 following a three-run third, scored four more in the fourth and added two in the seventh. The Falcons scored their runs in the bottom of the seventh.

North pitcher Kristina Colombo scattered five hits, struck out six and walked two. The Raiders had 12 hits off Farmington pitcher Jessica Brown.

Farmington's Tricia Krause was 3-for-4 and scored a run. The Raiders are 6-7 overall and 1-2 in the WLA Lakes Division. The Falcons are 0-10.

North was a 4-2 loser to host Walled Lake Western despite having a 12-4 advantage in hits Wednesday.

Ouellette and King were 3-for-4; Ouellette had a triple and King two doubles. McComb and Hindo were 2-for-4. McComb had two RBIs.

Angie Balconi was the winning pitcher. Colombo issued seven walks and hit two batters. The Raiders made one error.

Mercy splits with Regina

Kristin Bultinck struck out 23 batters in the first game Friday, leading host Harper Woods Regina to a 2-0 win over Farmington Hills Mercy in nine innings.

Bultinck threw a one-hitter and didn't walk anybody. Mercy's Erin Howard also pitched a complete game, allowing six hits.

Regina's runs in the top of the ninth were unearned. The Marlins made three errors. Erin Carson had the only Mercy hit, a double in the seventh inning.

The Marlins won the nightcap, 5-4, despite being out of it, 11-3. Megan Fediuk pitched five innings to get the win after Mercy scored all its runs in the fourth. Howard worked the final two innings.

Jamie Law started the winning rally with a bases-loaded bunt single. Mercy shortstop Lauren Monterey had five putouts and eight assists in the doubleheader.

The Marlins are 9-5 overall and 2-2 in the Catholic League Central Division. The Sadelites are 12-1 and 5-1.

Baseball from D1

had, and that made the difference today," Horwitz said.

Chad Holton and Brad Roumays were 2-for-4 with one RBI for the Warriors, who made numerous errors and dropped to 2-7 overall.

Hawks rally for victory

Farmington Harrison rallied in the seventh inning Friday to score three runs and defeat host Livonia Churchill, 8-6.

The victory kept senior pitcher Joe Ghanam undefeated (3-0). He fanned four and walked three while giving up 10 hits.

Lou Hadley started the Harrison seventh by reaching base on an error and stealing second.

Blake Boesky singled to score Hadley with the tying run.

Brian Nelson doubled home Boesky with the go-ahead run, and Nelson scored an insurance run on Blake Ashley's base hit.

Nelson hit safely two times and scored two runs. Dave Pesci had an RBI with a sacrifice squeeze bunt, and Kevin McVay had an RBI single.

Churchill's Josh Odom and Dave Waeil had three hits apiece. Odom's included a solo homer and a double; he also scored two runs. Waeil had two RBIs.

Justin Draughn went 6½ innings and was the losing pitcher.

Harrison is 3-0 in the WLA Western Division and 5-3 overall. The Chargers are 1-2 and 5-4.

"It was a nice comeback after we played so poorly Thursday," Harrison coach John Herrington said.

A non-league game didn't go as well when visiting West Bloomfield dealt Harrison a 12-2, mercy-rule defeat a day earlier.

"The sooner we forget about it

the better off we are," Herrington said.

The Lakers, who are 7-2 overall after losing Friday to Troy, scored four times in their first at-bat and led 6-3 following another four-run inning in the fourth. The Lakers out-hit the Hawks, 13-6.

Josh Gad-Harf had three hits, knocked in two runs and scored three to lead West Bloomfield.

Winning pitcher Wallington Andrews helped his cause with two hits and two runs.

Brian Grohman was the starting and losing pitcher. Mike Hoard, Nelson and Tim Doig took a turn on the mound, too.

Ed Cleland doubled and scored a Harrison run. Nelson and Pesci drove in one run each with a triple and a single, respectively.

The Hawks had a better result Wednesday when they rallied to edge host Farmington in a WLA crossover game, 6-5.

Boesky had the game-winning hit in the bottom of the sixth when he singled to score Bobby Austin.

Austin would've been out by two feet on an attempted steal of second base, according to Schaefer, but the Farmington fielder dropped the ball.

Boesky was 2-for-2 and Pesci had a hit and two RBIs. Farmington's Charlie Avery was 3-for-3 and James Claranan was 2-for-3; both scored a run and had an RBI.

Harrison's Zach Burton pitched a complete game, allowing seven hits, striking out nine and walking three. Jim Kay was the losing pitcher.

Big inning lifts Milford

Milford staged a seven-run rally in the bottom of the sixth inning Thursday to defeat visit-

ing Farmington, 12-8.

The Falcons came back with three runs in the seventh to account for the final tally.

Justin Lambert was the winning pitcher. John Waisanen suffered the loss in relief of starter Ian Pardonnat.

Claranan and Avery had two hits apiece for Farmington. Avery and Nick Hippler, who has been "fabulous behind the plate," according to Schaefer, had two RBIs each.

Jeff Staniszewski hit a two-run homer and a double for Milford, which led 5-0 after three innings. Farmington tied the score with a five-run fifth.

The Redskins out-hit the Falcons, 12-9. Both teams made three errors.

REDFORD CC 19, STEVENSON 8:

After Thursday's game, just call Livonia Stevenson junior Brad Buckler and Catholic Central senior Casey Rogowski distance relatives.

The players, who are first cousins, each hit home runs in a slugfest won by host CC, the No. 1-ranked team in Division I. The non-league game was called after six innings due to the mercy rule.

Rogowski hit a solo homer to start the sixth inning. He also walked twice, was hit by a pitch and scored four runs.

Buckler hit a three-run homer in the fifth, a mammoth shot that followed singles by Dan Wilson and Roy Rabe.

CC out-hit Stevenson, 13-12, and each team committed five errors.

Stevenson scored a pair of unearned runs off CC starter Mark Cole in the first inning before the Shamrocks responded with five in their half of the first and six in the second for an 11-2 lead.

CC junior Matt Lories raised his average to .555, going 4-for-5 with

nine RBIs, hitting a three-run homer, a bases-loaded triple and RBI single.

"Even the old, he made was a bullet that Rabe made a nice play on at third base," CC assistant coach Kevin Walters said.

Satter is considering moving the outfielder from his No. 7 spot in the order.

"If he keeps hitting like that, we've got to move him up," Satter said. "He's 7-for-8 on stolen bases, has a real accurate arm and great size. Cole last week was the guy getting big hits. It's nice that some of the other guys can pick it up when the other guys don't."

Melick contributed two hits, including a double, and two RBIs. Mario D'Herrin had two hits and one RBI.

Rabe led the Spartans with three singles. Wilson and Matt DiPonio had two hits each.

The Shamrocks, 11-0 overall, used Brent Schoenbach, Dave Lusky and Bob Malek on the mound after Cole left following the second inning.



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GIRLS SOCCER

Monday, May 3

Farm. Harrison at Liv. Franklin, 4 p.m.

W.L. Central at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.

Westland Green at Farmington, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, May 5

Farm. Harrison at Liv. Stevenson, 4 p.m.

Northville at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.

Liv. Franklin at Farmington, 4 p.m.

Friday, May 7

Farm. Harrison at Liv. Franklin, 4 p.m.

Ply. Salem at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.

Farmington at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.

Liv. Ladywood at Farm. Mercy, 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 8

All city teams in Farmington tournament.

BOYS TRACK

Wednesday, May 5

N. Farmington at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 6

Liv. Franklin at Farm. Harrison, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 8

N. Farmington at Troy Athens Relays.

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GIRLS TRACK

Thursday, May 6

Dorn Drenth at Farm. Mercy, 4 p.m.

Friday, May 7

Farm. Harrison at Liv. Franklin, 3:30 p.m.

Farmington at N. Farmington, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 8

N. Farmington at Troy Athens Relays.

Farm. Mercy at A.A. Huron Invitational.

BOYS TENNIS

Monday, May 3

Ply. Canton at Farm. Harrison, 4 p.m.

Liv. Franklin at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.

Westland Green at Farmington, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, May 4

Saltine at North Farmington, 4 p.m.

Oakley at Farmington, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 5

Farm. Harrison at Liv. Franklin, 4 p.m.

Ply. Salem at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.

Ply. Canton at Farmington, 4 p.m.

Friday, May 7

Ply. Salem at Farm. Harrison, 4 p.m.

W.L. Central at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.

Farmington at Liv. Churchill, 4 p.m.

GIRLS GOLF

Monday, May 3

Mercy vs. Brighton and Grand Ledge, 3:20 p.m. at Oak Pointe Country Club.

W.L. Western vs. Farmington, 3 p.m. at Glen Oaks Golf Course.

Tuesday, May 4

Farm. Mercy vs. Blim Marlin, 3:20 p.m. at Coyote Golf Course.

Farmington at Milford, 3 p.m.

Thursday, May 6

Farmington at W.L. Central, 3 p.m.

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