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Annual: Harrison English teacher Tim Russell organized the broomball, now in its third season.

RAGE

Broomball seizes the day

Cold weather didn't curtail the third annual "Winter Carnival Broomball Tournament" involving high school students in the RAGE club.

About 100 students from Farmington, Harrison and North high schools competed Saturday, Jan. 29, on eight teams in the double-elimination tournament on the south grounds of Harrison.

"The Hausens" took first place, said Tim Russell, Harrison teacher and RAGE advisor. Taking second and third place, respectively, were "The Machine" and "JoMamas."

According to Russell, the broomball tourney "is just another way to seize the day. Many times people claim there's nothing to do in Farmington Hills. Well, on Saturday morning there was."

Later Saturday was the winter luau dance at Harrison. Both the broomball tourney and dance were co-sponsored by RAGE and Students Against Drunk Driving.

Formed by Russell in 1997, the RAGE club is based on the theme "rage against the dying of the light." Students meet at lunch and discuss social topics and school projects worth tackling in various endeavors.



Yeah: They call themselves "Joe Mama," and their pre-game pep talk ended in a cheer as they prepared for battle in a double-elimination tournament.



Time and place: The south grounds at Harrison High School was the site of the tournament.



Equipped: Ellen Doughty (standing) is taping her broom as Katie Persitz holds it. Taping helps create better contact with the ball. Some bought new brooms while others went into the family closet.



Watch out: Ben Novoth, a junior at Harrison, removed his jacket as he defended the goal against Lauren Liebowitz.

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