

Hawks win again on road

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Farmington Harrison's basketball team is doing extremely well when it plays in other school's gymnasiums.

The Hawks deserve the label "Road Warriors" after extending their away record to 6-1 by defeating host Livonia Franklin Friday, 47-39.

But now Harrison has to do something about its record when playing at home where the Hawks, ironically, are 0-4 this season.

"I like where our focus has been the last seven to 10 days," Harrison coach Dave Turnquist said. "Now we have to show we can do it at home."

The Hawks have that opportunity this week when they play host to Walled Lake Central on Tuesday and Walled Lake Western on Friday.

Central upset first-place Plymouth Salem in a Western Lakes Activities Association game Friday, handing the Hawks their first league loss, 48-43.

"To lose four in a row in your own gym is very humbling," Turnquist said, "and I know the boys are going to be focused to fight that starting on Tuesday."

"You have to win on the road to win the WLAA, but that's assuming you also protect your home turf."

Senior Joe McElroy had a career-high 12 points and a career-high 15 rebounds Friday to lead the Hawks (3-2, 6-5) past the Patriots (2-3, 3-8).

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Senior Terrill Mayberry was next with 11 points, including eight in the fourth quarter, and seniors Matt Elsey and Dave Condoni chipped in 10 apiece.

"We got out to a great start," Turnquist said. "We moved the basketball well and made terrific decisions."

Terrill Mayberry played the quintessential, point-guard game for us. He gave us tremendous leadership, made tremendous decisions and the shots he took and hit were big ones.

"He did everything you could ever ask of a point guard."

Condoni grabbed 11 rebounds and Elsey six as the Hawks won the battle of the boards, 45-37.

"It was a lot closer than it should have been, frankly," Turnquist said. "(The Patriots) did a nice job. They were able to slow it down, spread the floor and pick up a couple offensive rebounds."

Mike Petta scored nine points and Matt Austin eight for Franklin. Harrison led 14-7 after one quarter, 20-17 at halftime and 30-25 at the end of three periods.

"It was definitely a game we felt we had to win," Turnquist said. "We lost two league games early and wanted to get back on track."

"We're continuing to play better against zones, which is going to help us down the stretch."

"Our four captains - Condoni, Mayberry, McElroy and Elsey -

have shown great leadership the last couple weeks as we've really started to focus on league play."

N. FARMINGTON 72, GLENN 68: Mike Leach scored a game-high 24 points Friday to lead host North Farmington to a 72-68 boys' basketball victory over WLAA tri-leader Westland John Glenn.

North is 5-6 overall and 2-3 in the WLAA, while Glenn drops to 7-4 and 4-1. Livonia Stevenson now sits all alone in first place at 5-0.

The Raiders made 20 of 25 free throws on the night, including 13 straight in the final quarter - nine in a row by Leach.

Earl Higgins Jr. added career highs of 16 points and 10 rebounds for North. Jason Reel and Marcus McComb chipped in 15 and 10, respectively.

Darnell Wilson led Glenn with 18 points. Jeff Brantley added 13. Jerret Smith 12 and DeAnthony Granberry 11. Glenn, which trailed 35-31 at halftime, hit seven of 11 free throws.

STEVENSON 62, FARMINGTON 36: The visiting Spartans remained undefeated in the WLAA with their fifth straight victory Friday.

Stevenson is alone atop the league standings since tri-leaders Plymouth Salem and Westland John Glenn were losers Friday.

Stevenson raced to a 19-7 lead after one quarter and increased its advantage to 33-16 at halftime. The difference was 50-21 going into the fourth.

Senior Nick Ehlenst scored 14 points to lead the Spartans (9-0, 9-2). Seniors London Ivezaj and Matt Barnick added nine and eight, respectively. Eleven of 13 players scored for Stevenson.

Farmington's Ryan Kosinski also had 12 points. Jeff McCullough chipped in 10 for the Falcons (0-5, 1-10).

Stevenson made six of 13 free throws, Farmington five of 10.

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defeated visiting Trenton, 5-1.

"Both teams have gone back and forth being state champs the last six years, so it's a very emotional game for both teams," CC co-coach Todd Johnson said. "Trenton still maintains the tradition there."

The Shamrocks scored at 1:40 in the first period with a goal from Eric Closs assisted by Pat Cauldron and Mike Ryan. A minute later Andrew Eggert made it 2-0 with assists from Jeff Prough and John Perkovich. Trenton

scored its lone goal two minutes before the end of the period.

In the second period at 2:00 Brian Genrich scored with assists to Brandon Naurato and Jim Blanchard.

With 2:30 left in the period Naurato scored with assists from Eric Reinhardt and Steve Nelson.

The final goal of the game was made by Ryan O'Dea with 30 seconds left before the game ended to make the score 5-1. Assists came from Eggert and Nelson.

"We're at the half-way point in the season, and we're not where we normally are with wins and losses," Johnson said. "Some support has jumped off ship and is calling this a rebuilding year. We're stating we're going to be contenders for the title, and we plan to do it with a lot of intensity."

The Shamrocks are 8-51 overall and 5-1 in the league. They play host to New Trier, Ill., Friday.

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