

## BOYS

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## Community College.

Sophomores Brian Masters and Evan Plumley also return. The new runners are juniors Chris Haas and Eric Darnell and freshmen Mark Drumm, Jason Carter and Sean Lawson.

Harrison is in Division III of the Oakland Activities Association, and Reed said the Hawks are excited about being in that division.

"Every time we go into a meet it will be a competitive situation for our guys," he said. "It's going to make us better as the year goes on. We're real happy about where we are."

("OAA Division III teams") (average between 12 and 20 guys.) (In the Western Lakes Activities Association) Plymouth Canton

would come in with 40 kids.

"We didn't feel it was a fair fight. We know, when we run a dual meet now, we have kids at the same level, and it will make for a better meet."

The Hawks were fourth in the regional and just missed qualifying for the Division II state meet the last two years.

"We keep getting close," Reed said. "We have to get it done. That's going to be our goal. We have a shot at making it. We just have to do it."

## FARMINGTON HIGH

Farmington's top returning runner is senior captain Ryan Kiblawi, the only remaining holdover from the team that competed in the Division II state meet two years ago.

He was slowed by injuries last season but is in much better shape this year, according to coach Chip

Bridges.

"We're looking for him to run as well or better than he did as a sophomore," Bridges said.

Junior Lance Dawson and sophomore Mike Garvey have a lot of variety experience and will be expected to move up from the lower half of Farmington's top seven. The Falcons lost Chris Tobbe, Tom Eason, Kevin Heist and Tom Peszek to graduation, and they will have a lot of new faces in their lineup.

Sophomores Patrick Whinary and Dominic DeFlorio also return and will be counted on to play bigger roles this year.

Junior Dan Clay had a good track season, and Bridges is hoping he will help in cross country.

Sophomore Kyle Mason ran a good scrimmage race last week and should be an improved runner.

Juniors Chris Clark and Drew Padgett and sophomore Tomo

Watanabe are new to the sport.

The Falcons will be in the OAA Division II with Lahser, Andover, North Farmington, Berkeley, West Bloomfield, Mott and Groves.

"Lahser is clearly the team to beat," Bridges said. "They're for a step or two ahead of the rest of us. The rest of the division looks like it's pretty close."

"I think we're a team on an upward direction. Staying healthy will be the key. Mike and Chris are not running, and they'll definitely be in our top seven. When we get those guys back, we'll be pretty competitive."

"I think we have some kids with talent. After Ryan, we just don't have guys who are experienced. I really think this is a pretty good team."

"When our top eight guys are healthy, odds are four or five of them will run pretty well on any given day. I'm looking forward to when that happens."

## NORTH FARMINGTON

The Raiders return three of the city's best runners in seniors Ben Gannon, Eugene Furman and Jeff Mataya.

Furman was second in the 2002 city meet, Gannon third and Mataya fourth. Gannon was a Division I state qualifier who ran a best time of 17:12, and Mataya just missed going to state.

Furman spent most of the pre-season with the football team, however. He needs to adjust to cross country again and round into running shape, according to coach Paul Welch.

The Raiders also have a solid senior class, which includes returning runners Dan Carlson, Doug Anderson, Mike McIntosh, Morad Leal, Dave Mayseless and Andy Lin.

Gannon, Mataya, Carlson and Furman comprise a solid four-

some, and Welch said he's looking for another runner to step forward and handle the fifth spot.

The top prospects are Mayseless, Lin, returning sophomores James Liadis, Jason Muscell and Jason Labin and freshman Brad Smith.

Also returning are juniors Jason Anthony, Chris Cornish, Richard Lin and Robert Mooney and sophomores Steve Gannon and Mark Schultz. The team includes freshmen Brian Konacki and Sander Rubin.

"Our team is pretty deep; we've got a lot of kids out," Welch said. "We have to make sure our pack gets down far enough. We're really searching for a fifth kid."

"We have three strong runners in Gannon, Mataya and Furman, and Carlson should be up there as well. Liadis is capable of running with the other guys."

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## GIRLS

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Kristen Stamboulis, Anne Lieberman and Liz Murrenus.

Senior Amy Miller and junior Katie Milan were in the top eight last year and are back. Seniors Shana Cherniak and Katie Petersen also have varsity experience, and junior Danielle Joseph returns from last year, too.

Juniors Julie Kaplan and Ana Calugar and sophomore Jackie Murrenus are first-year runners who will help, to make up for the losses, Pinnell said. The other newcomers are juniors Miriam Lieberman and Nicole Ruman, sophomore Melissa Morof and freshmen Jenna Kaufman, Beth Barrows and Lauren Robbins.

The Raiders, who were 3-4 in dual meets, were second in the Royal Oak Kimball regional behind Troy and ahead of Farmington.

North will compete in Division II of the Oakland Activities Association with Groves, Mott, West Bloomfield, Berkeley, Andover, Lahser and Farmington. The Raiders were the defending city champions going into the 2002 race Wednesday at Oakland Community College.

"Even with our lack depth, we have a chance to be 2-2 in Division II," Pinnell said, adding he thinks Farmington and Andover are the favorites. "I think we're going to be fairly competitive with the majority of teams."

"I think we're going to be hurting with the depth factor. We can't afford injuries to our top group of runners. If we stay healthy, I think we'll hold our own in the OAA and our division. I think we'll have a little more success."

## MERCY MARLINS

Farmington Hills Mercy will be led by the sophomore trio of Shannon LaFave, Elizabeth Williams and Amanda Nagy.

LaFave, who was named to the All-Observer second team, and Nagy ran at the Division I state meet as freshmen.

The Marlins lost a three-time state qualifier in Val Burnisio, as well as Courtney Meyer, to graduation, but they also return seniors Lauren Longley and Maggie Layman from their top seven of a year ago.

"LaFave was one of the top freshmen in DI, so she has something to shoot for to try to do that as a sophomore," coach Gary Servais said.

Nagy suffered an injury at the regional and didn't run as well at the state meet, he added.

Sophomores Cathy Schubert, Karen Tepp and Bridget O'Donnell will have bigger roles this year, and Servais said freshmen Megan Anderzejak and Anna Malecek have been running near the front in early practices.

Mercy, which last won a Catholic League title in 1998, was third behind Birmingham Marian and Dearborn Divine Child. It was fourth in the regional.

"I'm hoping (the Marlins are) hungry," Servais said. "It looks like we're going to pack them a little closer to the front, and that's always good."

"I'm expecting the JV kids from last year will step up a lot. If they do, I'm hoping we can challenge again like we used to do."

Mercy opened with a 22-36 loss Tuesday to Divine Child at the Nankin Mills Nature Center. Divine Child's Erin Webster won the race (21:02), and LaFave finished second (21:45).

## FARMINGTON FALCONS

It's not a reach to predict a good year for Farmington High. The reason is the Falcons return their top two runners in senior Claire Czaplinski and junior Rachael Butten.

Both were All-Observer, second-team selections after leading Farmington to the Division I state meet last year.

Czaplinski has been a steady runner since her freshman year, and Butten overcame an injury to have a fine sophomore season.

"Last year she was coming off an injury," coach Ann Badynee said of Butten. "This year she's healthy. She had a great summer and is running well now."

The Falcons lost their next three runners to graduation - Megan Annarini, Kristin Balla and Shanna Barkume - and must find some replacements.

Senior Jayme Vainer, who will serve as co-captain with Butten, returns as do juniors Angie Shoener, Amanda Glass and Lauren Giglio.

Badynee, who will be a co-coach with Dawn Kuzkuz, recruited sophomores Magalie Antihard and Amy Thomas from the track team, and sophomore Kate Kelly is a first-year runner who also plays soccer. A couple freshmen could break into the top seven, too. Janell Lindman, Emma Czaplinski and Andover, Lahser and Farmington. The Raiders were the defending city champions going into the 2002 race Wednesday at Oakland Community College.

"We're very excited about being part of the OAA," Badynee said. "It will be a great opportunity for our program. We're still scouting out the competition. There are some good teams we'll be running against, but it will be a good experience for our young team to jump in with the OAA."

Farmington will try to qualify for the state meet for the third year in a row. The Falcons, who were in Division II two years ago, are in Division I again.

"It will be a tough challenge for us," Badynee said. "We're really going to have to rely a lot on our young kids by the end of the year to jump into the shoes that were left for them. If we continue working hard, we might have a chance at it."

## HARRISON HAWKS

The Hawks' No. 1 runner is sophomore Shannon Bailey, a Division II state qualifier last year. "Shannon is quite a bit ahead of where she was, so she's doing very well," coach Mark Babcock said.

"She's a year older and she's a seasoned runner."

"It doesn't seem like she's a sophomore. She has a lot of composure, and she does a good job out there."

Harrison has only two other returning runners, however, in seniors Thrin Dew and Lauren Baker.

"Other than that, we're all new," Babcock said. "We have a very young and inexperienced team."

The Hawks lost All-Observer runner Christine Metry and Ashley McElmurry, both of whom were state qualifiers, to graduation along with Clara Fletcher.

Senior Irina Maslennikova and junior Emonee Green are first-year runners with track experience who will serve as co-captains.

Sophomore Amber Brown was one of the track team's better hurdlers and has talent but needs time to develop as a cross country runner, according to Babcock.

Senior Jamila Poir, a former basketball player, is among the newcomers, who include juniors Latoya Hardwell and Miriam Homutskas, McKenzie Currie and Jessica Nakash.

The Hawks, who were four points out of third place and a trip to the state meet last year, are in Division III of the Oakland Activities Association.

"I think we'll be competitive," Babcock said. "I think we'll hold our own. It'll be a new start for us."

("In the Western Lakes Activities Association), you could

count on three or four teams that were going to beat you from sheer size and numbers."

"But now you can't say that anymore. Everybody should have a pretty fair shake most years. You don't look at the schedule and say, 'Oh, we have to run so-and-so.' This is a good situation for all of us in the Farmington schools."

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