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Falcons top Hawks

Harrison coach Ross Bandy has seen Farmington swim teams for about 10 years and coached against them for seven.

And he couldn't remember the Hawks ever beating his Falcons - until Tuesday. The Falcons won nine events as they stopped Harrison 121-64.

"It was nice to see, even though we got beat," said Bandy. "My kids swam real well, so you can't argue with that."

"We were just outgunned. It was nice to see Jason do well."

Farmington coach Jason Cavicchioli was pretty pleased with the way his team performed.

"We had a lot of underclassmen step up and swim their best," said Cavicchioli. "It was a good rivalry, but there was a lot of friendship between the two teams."

Katie Fleck, Ayumi Ueda and Mallory Annarino figured in four wins each for the Falcons (4-0-1, 2-0 OAA Div). Ueda won the 100 backstroke (1:07.14) and the 200 freestyle (5:58.54). Fleck won the 200 freestyle (2:05.34) and the 500 free (5:38.49) and Annarino won the 50 free (27.02).

She also swam on all three winning relays: the medley relay with Erin Lennon, Rebecca Darnbrook and Jenny Hand (2:04.75), the 200 free relay with Ueda, Chrissy Fleck and Katie Fleck (4:49.63) and the 400 free relay with Ueda and the Flecks (3:55.25).

Jarah Hargill won the Falcons' other event by taking diving (155.45). Katie Stelf won a pair of events for the Hawks (2-3, 2-1 OAA) - the 100 butterfly (1:03.87) and the 200 individual medley (2:20.57), while Jessi Waldecker posted a win in the 100 breaststroke (1:16.35). "We had 19 best swimmers, so we're hanging our heads high," said Bandy. "It was nice to see Farmington step up to the challenge - even though we were at the losing end of it."

OCC spikers fall

Oakland Community College's volleyball team fell to 2-12 overall and 0-4 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Division on Tuesday night.

The Lady Raiders lost to Macomb Community College, 30-19, 30-18, 30-21.

Audum Bug (Orionville/Orionville Brandon) lead OCC with eight kills, while Brittany Helms (Berkley/Southfield Christian) had 11 assists.

Coaches sought

Farmington Public Schools are looking for the following coaches for the winter sports season: an assistant boys' swimming coach, two assistant boys' wrestling coaches and freshman, junior varsity and varsity volleyball coaches.

Interested parties should send a letter of interest and resume to Ron Holland, 33000 Thomas, Farmington, MI 48336 or by fax at (248) 474-3802.

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Churning Ahead

Farmington's Patrick Whinnery cuts a solitary figure as he runs in Tuesday's cross country dual meet with Bloomfield Hills Lahser. Whinnery finished eighth overall as the Falcons lost to the Knights. For more, please see Page D4.

Barrows, CC boys take 1st at invite

BY PAUL BEAUDRY
STAFF WRITER

Catholic Central beat Brother Rice a couple of times on Saturday. Football got most everyone's attention. But the cross country win worked just as well, thank you, for the defending state champions. The Shamrocks won their own

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invitation for the second-straight year and fifth time in the last seven, by stopping the Division 1 runner-up Warriors, 47-76, at Cass Benton Park.

On the girls' side of the meet, North Farmington's Susan Barrows bent Livonia Stevenson's Heather Sirko by six seconds to place first in Division 1. Barrows won in 19:42 as the Raiders were fourth overall with 161 points. First-place Stevenson had 39 points, while Farmington was fifth (163) and Farmington Hills Mercy was sixth

North keeps opponent scoreless again

BY PAUL BEAUDRY
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The streak is now at 391 minutes, in case you are keeping count, and it's a big reason why North Farmington is unbeaten in soccer this season.

The streak belongs to Raiders goalkeeper Alex Lubynsky and it represents the last time he gave up a goal. In the meantime, he's been in the net for four-

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straight shutouts, including Tuesday's 1-0 win over Waterford Matt.

"He made three saves, but they had a lot of shots tonight that bounced before they could get to him," said North coach Ron Meteyer. "Our defense - especially John Young, Peter Galopin and Carl Nance - played well and they're really

keeping him honest.

"But they are really improved. We beat them the first game of the season, 8-0, so this was a much closer game. We were just pounding the goal, but we couldn't put the ball in the net."

But the Raiders, now 8-0-1 overall and 6-0-1 in the Oakland Activities Association Division II, managed to get one through. Steve Denton scored at the

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No. 3 Raiders roll over Falcons for 8-0 sweep

North Farmington ended its dual meet tennis season in fine fashion on Monday as the Raiders, ranked third in the state's Division 2, swept rival Farmington, 8-0.

"We haven't been doing too bad," said North coach Mark Shenton as his team improved to 7-1-1 overall. "Our only loss has been to Troy and they won the OAA Division 1. Our singles have been strong and our doubles play has been progressing nicely during the course of the season."

The Raiders, fourth in the state a year ago, have also improved thanks to tougher competition in the OAA, according to Shenton.

"I think it has been tougher in the OAA," said Shenton. "Every match is tough. We learned you have to be ready

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to play every match. Nothing comes easy in this league."

Emily Jaffe helped lead the singles sweep with a 6-0, 6-0 win over Brittany Nucetelli at No. 1. Amy Berke won at No. 2 with a 6-0, 6-1 decision over Kristie Beskey. Kelly Davis took No. 3 over Allison Lynn, 6-0, 6-1 while Samantha Kaim defeated Raina Awab, 6-0, 6-0.

In doubles, the No. 1 team of Chrissy Dwyer and Michelle Boothroyd stopped Lisa Hellebuyck and Morgan Walter, 7-6, (7-1), 6-3. As No. 2, Jessica Hoffman and Alyssa Trotsky topped Ellie Harding and Monica Ramsey, 6-1,

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North's Michele Boothroyd (serving) and Chrissy Dwyer took a two-set win over Farmington on Monday.

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