

Marlins finish 2nd in girls regional track meet

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Farmington Hills Mercy made a strong bid for a regional title in girls track and field Saturday, but no team could top perennial champion Southfield.

The Blues Jays accumulated 95.5 points to win the Division I regional at West Bloomfield. Mercy was second with 79. Farmington placed fourth (55) and North Farmington ninth (18).

The Marlins had two regional champions and four additional qualifiers for the state meet May 31 at Houseman Field in Grand Rapids.

Mercy's Anne Roosevelt won the discus (121-11), and Valesha Turner was the best in the shot put (36-11).

Turner was second in the discus (119-11) and qualified for state, and Roosevelt was third and an additional qualifi-

er in the shot put (36-1). Alexandria Marshall had the same time as 400 dash winner Amara Okoli of West Bloomfield but was given second place. Both were clocked at 57.8 seconds.

Marshall was second in the 200 dash (25.4). The top two in each event automatically qualify for state.

Danielle Underwood and Shannon LaFave were third in the long jump (15-5.5) and the 1,600 run (5:37.4), respectively, and just missed going to state.

Also scoring points for the Marlins were Ashley Foster in the long jump (14-5), Elizabeth Williams in the 1,600 run (5:48.6) and Carrie Roble in the 800 run (2:32.5). All three were sixth.

Mercy's 3,200 relay team was fifth (10:29.5) and its 800 relay team third (1:53.1).

North Farmington and Farmington had one regional

winner each. North's Susan Barrows was first in the 3,200 run (11:39.2), and Farmington's Rachel Button won the 1,600 run (5:32.4).

Farmington's Bettie Wade was second in the high jump (5-3), and she was third in the 100 dash (13.1) and the 400 dash (1:01).

Betsy Miller was close behind Button in the 800, was the runner-up (5:32.9) and also qualified for state.

Teammate Deanna Gauer scored in two events; she was fourth in the shot put (34-1) and sixth in the discus (97-1). Farmington's Ashton Frederick was third in the 100 hurdles (16.9), Janelle Lindman fourth in the 3,200 run (12:24.6) and Miller fifth in the 800 run (2:31.6).

The Raiders also got points from Al Kawashima, who was fourth in the 100 hurdles (17.2), and Jaya Muldrew, who was fifth in the long jump (14-

6.25). North's 3,200 and 800 relay teams were sixth with times of 10:37.2 and 1:56.9.

Boys regional results

Farmington High had two individual state qualifiers in the boys half of the West Bloomfield regional meet Saturday.

Sherman Taylor was second in the discus with a throw of 135-11, and Philip Champion was the runner-up in the 400 dash with a time of 50.7.

The Falcons also qualified their 400 relay team (Joe Green, Champion, Matt Corrigan, Danny Preston), which finished third but met the standard to be an additional qualifier with a 44.2 time.

West Bloomfield won the title with 111 points; Southfield was second (85) and Brother Rice third (79.5). Farmington was fifth (38) and North Farmington ninth (19).

Farmington's Eric Gaughan

was third (18-10.5) and Corrigan fifth (18-7.25) in the long jump; Preston was sixth in the 400 (51.7), and Dan Clay was sixth in the 3,200 run (10:40.4).

The Falcons also were fourth in the 1,600 relay (3:30.8) and fifth in the 800 relay (1:32.0). Kyle Goldman had North's best finish, taking third in the shot put (47-5.5); Will Hathaway was fourth in the shot (44-10.5) and sixth in the discus (124-10).

Drew Roberts placed fourth in the high jump (5-10). Eugene Furman fifth in the 800 (2:03.1) and Jeff Mataya sixth in the 1,600 (4:44.9). The Raiders also were sixth in the 3,200 relay (9:52).

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