

North Farmington Pony All-Stars Capture District

North Farmington fell out of Colt baseball tournament action but the Pony All-Stars are alive in state competition with a District Four championship at St. Clair Shores.

The North Farmington Pony winners now move on to the state sectional at Southgate on Thursday, Aug. 3, at 1:30 p.m.

Southfield Woods and St. Clair Shores fell victim to North Farmington in the district round. Paul Chalin scored both wins over St. Clair Shores with Mike Cullen chalking up the Southfield win.

NORTH FARMINGTON clobbered Southfield Woods in the opener, 13-1, on 10 hits. Mike Cullen banged out a home run in the 4-0 triumph over St. Clair Shores in the semifinals with North Farmington coming back with another 4-0 win over St. Clair Shores to win the district.

North Farmington hurlers gave up only eight hits and one run in the three games with the North bats exploding for 21 runs on 20 hits.

The North Farmington West Bloomfield Colt All-Stars were eliminated from tournament competition in a 4-3 loss to Southfield, with Southfield advancing to the St. Clair Shores Colt sectional.

Birmingham had toppled North in the first round, 5-2, with Farmington rebounding over Southfield Franklin, 6-0, and Birmingham, 7-1.

Winning pitchers in the North attack were Chris Weber and John Allen with Bruce Brewin rounding out the battery. Gary Morrison was the big stick in the North offense with four hits in six at bats including a two run homer.



SEEING DOUBLE—Farmington's American Legion club and Plymouth High sported "twin action" in the baseball circle. Rich and Randy Stringer (left) carried the heavy bats for Farmington while Dan and Dave Hees provided the spark for Plymouth to get as far as the state regionals. (Observer photo)

Motorcycle Races At Northville Downs

Professional motorcycle races under the lights will be held Saturday, Aug. 19, at Northville Downs.

Fifteen races of from four to 20 laps will feature 150 national and regional experts, spectators will be able to watch the time trials beginning at 5:45 p.m.

This will be the second event at Northville Downs promoted by Staton Lorenz and sanctioned by the American Motorcycle Association.

The Aug. 19 program will be held from seven to 10 p.m. Doors will be open at 4 p.m. for viewing practice. Spectators will be able to watch the time trials beginning at 5:45 p.m.

Canton Amateur Tennis Tourney On August 26

The first annual Canton Amateur Open tennis tournament will be held on Saturday, Aug. 26 on Plymouth High tennis courts, Canton Center road south of Joy road.

The event will begin Saturday at 9 a.m.

There will be eight divisions with a trophy for the winner of each division. There will be four men's divisions and four women's divisions. The age brackets will be: 15 and under, 16-18, 19-50, and over 50. Competition will be in singles only. Each player will pay a \$1 entry fee and provide his own tennis balls.

Anyone wishing to participate should contact: Ray Adams, 39441 Cather Dr. Plymouth, 48170

Detroit Pistons Announce Early Tipoff Times

Earlier starting times will prevail at all of the Detroit Pistons' evening games at Cobo Arena during the 1972-73 season.

Tipoff times will be advanced from 8:05 p.m. to 7:25 p.m. The 7:25 p.m. starts will continue for the three Sunday matinees on the schedule.

"We surveyed our fans and found that a majority preferred the early starting Saturday evening, Feb. 17, time, which seems to be a trend among the professional sports teams," said Pistons General Manager Ed Coll.

Coll also announced that the Pistons will entertain Boston with Seattle following three-year contract for the Celtics into Cobo 24 1/2 hrs Pistons to play at Cobo Arena, later.

Adray Baseball

SECOND ROUND FINAL

REDFORD	W	L	PT
REDFORD	8	1	17
GRIFFIN SPORT	7	2	16
DEARBORN	6	3	13
VARSITY SHOP	6	3	13
NORTHVILLE REEF	5	4	11
MARIO SINACOLA	5	6	10
BURGER KING	4	6	8
PLYMOUTH BIDWELL	2	7	5
GARDEN CITY	2	8	4
KOEBEL DIAMOND	2	8	4

THURSDAY'S GAME AT FORD FIELD

Redford vs. Port Huron, 8 p.m. (Tournament competition)

OVERALL FINAL STANDINGS

REDFORD	W	L	PT
REDFORD	17	1	36
GRIFFIN SPORT	14	5	29
DEARBORN	14	5	29
BURGER KING	11	9	22
NORTHVILLE REEF	9	9	18
VARSITY SHOP	7	7	15
MARIO SINACOLA	7	10	17
PLYMOUTH BIDWELL	5	13	9
KOEBEL DIAMOND	4	15	8
GARDEN CITY	3	17	6

Joy Fair Captures Mid-Season Crown

Joy Fair, the defending ARCA Late Model Stock champion from Pontiac, proved to over 400 auto race fans that when it comes to the big events on the Flat Rock Speedway oval he has no equal.

Fair started on the pole in the 50 lap mid-season championship event and was never headed as he cruised to a six car length lead over Bud Pingston of Plymouth, at the checkered flag.

Fair's toughest competition came early in the race as Danny Byrd of Dearborn Heights moved from his fifth starting position to apply pressure. However on the 16th lap with Byrd riding on Fair's rear bumper both drivers were lapping one of the slower cars and Byrd went to the high groove to attempt to pass both the slow car and Fair.

Danny hit the retainer wall in the back straightaway and spun, hit the wall again in the third turn and was finished for the remainder of the 50 lap event.

Denny Pace of Plymouth, won his seventh Figure 8 feature in a row again proving supreme on the tricky Figure 8 course. Frank's Loving finished second and Chuck Briggs was third.

Saturday, July 29, the Figure 8 cars have their Mid-Season Championship 25 lap feature on the Figure 8 course. The Late Model Stocks are also a part of the program with their usual 30 lap feature.

Women's Golf Heading Into Home Stretch

Points are beginning to mount up as the Livonia Women's Golf League heads into the home-stretch in the trophy competition.

The league, sponsored by the Livonia Parks and Recreation Dept., has about three weeks of play remaining before the awards luncheon. One week is devoted to "fun" day with all types of zany attempts to win prizes.

LAST WEEK, Jackie Stocks, Clare Caprillan and Hope Roy split A flight honors with low gross scores of 46.

Emily Durham and Irene Pritchard shared B flight honors with 53s while Mary Gilbertson continued to head C fighters with a 54.

Another two-way tie for low gross honors came in D flight with Marge Kiley and Lee Carolyn Pedyjasek a 61 for E flight honors.

Pat Pilgrim's 68 was the best in F flight and Lil Schou's 74 topped G flight and Laura Nash's 72 was best in H flight.

Top Stock Names On Yankee 400 Racing Program

The Yankee 400, on Aug. 20, at Michigan International Speedway will again feature the greatest names in stock car racing in 400 miles of wheel to wheel action.

In last year's race Bobby Allison and Richard Petty fought it out before Allison took the checkered flag only a car length ahead of Petty.

DAVID PEARSON in the Wood brother's Mercury is the hottest combination on the Winston Cup circuit to date. David is also a one time winner of this event, and a in the 1972 outdoor dual meet winner of the Motor State 400 opener at Purdue. The old mark was 53-11 1/4 by Bob Carey in 1952.

Michigan State shot putter Marvin Roberts set a Spartan vary mark when he did 55-9 in the 1972 outdoor dual meet at Purdue. The old mark was 53-11 1/4 by Bob Carey in 1952.

Southgate Wins Twice In Districts

Southgate bounced up from the losers bracket to capture honors in the Farmington Colt League baseball District.

Redford was sitting in the drivers seat but ran out of pitching and dropped a twin-bill to Southgate, 5-6, and 14-4.

Southgate had earlier eliminated Farmington, 7-0, with Redford edging Garden City, 5-4, and Southgate tipping Garden City, 2-1.

Southgate moves on to the sectional finals in Hamtramck.

Redford's Tom Utch won batting honors in the district with eight hits in 13 at bats for a .615 mark.

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Northville Open
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LIVONIA 8 1
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FARMINGTON LMS 4 3
NORTHVILLE 2 4
WALLED LAKE 1 5
SOUTH CLAIRS 0 6
SUNDAY'S GAMES
Walled Lake vs Northville, 6:30 p.m.
South Lyon vs Northville, 8:45 p.m.
Farmington vs Plymouth, 9 p.m.

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YOUNG AND OLD SKATERS took advantage of free skating privileges Saturday and Sunday during the open house of Sportland, a \$1 million enclosed ice rink on Cherry Hill, west of Newburgh, in Westland. The facility is owned by the Westland Arena, Inc. Open skating without charge followed a formal ribbon cutting ceremony attended by rink and Westland city officials. (Observer photo)

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