

Girls Gymnastics

# Arcurys qualify for states

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Reporter

Despite only placing two of its five gymnasts in the top ten of events at Saturday's Section VI Championships at Williamsville South High School, Williamsville South managed to finish fourth out of 15 teams.

South coach Kurt Stumpf said his team could have placed a little higher.

"At that meet, everything is so close," he said. "We were probably a point out of second. Having less kids to count scores makes it even harder but I was pleased with how we did. A fall here or fall there we could have been second."

South had 103.175 total points, less than a point from third-place Frontier (103.750).

South junior Kristina Arcury and her younger sister, seventh grader Kailyn, both qualified for the New York State Championships next March.

Kristina qualified in beam (first, 9.475) and vault (fourth, 8.875); Kailyn is headed on bars (fourth, 8.7).

Kristina was fourth all-around with 35.8 points; Kailyn was eighth at 34.875. Kristina was fifth on floor exercise (9.2) and tenth on bars (8.25). Stumpf said Kristina slipped up on bars but rebounded by winning beam.

Kailyn was tied for eighth on beam (8.9) and seventh on floor exercise (9.05), just missing states. Stumpf said Kailyn fell on her first event (vault) but hit every other event.

Kat Scimia (6.7, beam; 7.65, floor), Amy Stanley (8.1, floor; 8.1 vault; 7.8 beam; 7.45, bars; 31.45 all-around) and Marisa Stumpf (8.4, vault; 8.35, floor; 8.3, beam; 6.625 bars; 31.675 all-around) also competed for South.

Also advancing to states are Frontier's Kelly Young, Hamburg's Danielle Hover and Lew-Port's Deanna Favaro (all-around); Lancaster's Amanda Recor and Christine DelPrince (vault); Recor and Frontier's Kelsey Kryszak (bars); Hamburg's Taylor Wierzba and DelPrince (beam); and DelPrince and Maryvale's Erica Gasiiecki (floor).



Williamsville South's Kristina Arcury was fourth all-around at Saturday's Section VI Championships at Williamsville South High School and qualified for the New York State Championships in the vault and beam.

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**Williamsville North**

The Lady Spartans were seventh overall with 84.75 points. Sarah Carbrey led North with a 8.1 on floor, 7.65 on beam, and 7.75 on vault. Lily Jagodzinski (8.5, floor; 7.6, beam; 7.3, bars); Megan Dressel (8.2, floor; 9.0, vault; 6.8, bars); Sarah Mikulski (7.675, vault); and Steph Meholic (7.175, beam) also competed.

**Amherst Central**

The Lady Tigers were ninth overall (48.775), led by Dana Ruh. Ruh finished with a 32.65 all-around score (8.45, vault; 8.4, floor; 8.25, beam; 7.55 bars).

Annalise Polvino and Jordan Pe-

scritto competed on vault (8.075) and beam (8.050), respectively.

**Sweet Home**

Sweet Home finished tenth overall (40.875), led by Jamie Farrell's 12th place finish on floor (8.7). She also had a 8.275 on beam, 8.125 on vault, and 7.725 on bars for a 32.825 all-around score. Carissa Turner competed in vault (8.05).

**Williamsville East**

East was 12th overall with 35.20 points. Kristen Kelly competed on vault (7.5), floor (7.25) and beam (7.0); Ashley Materise competed on vault (7.75) and bars (5.7).

Field Hockey

# South's season ends on penalty strokes

Williamsville South's bid to continue its best field hockey season ended on penalty strokes against Iroquois on Oct. 31 in the Section VI Class B semifinals.

Iroquois defeated South (11-4-2), 3-2, on penalty strokes to take the game 1-0. The game was scoreless through regulation and two ten-minute overtimes.

"The strokes situation is a tough way to end the season," said South coach Mary Ferenczy. "I am very proud of all my players. They tried their best and I am pleased with all of our accomplishments this season. They truly made it the best season ever. We will miss our seniors."

The South seniors are captains Rachel Dinunzio (18 goals), Claire Grerlach, Liz Gengo, Elena Hozdic, Robin Donovan (four goals), Emmy Schwartz, Michelle Rutecki.

South was no stranger to taking postseason games past regulation. A day earlier, South beat East, 3-2 in a shootout to win the game, 2-1.

In the shootout, sophomore Ashley Ferenczy, Hozdic and Gengo scored for South and Bridget Steele and freshman JV call-up Samantha Frank tallied for East.

"Megan Hull was in goal for South," said coach Ferenczy. "She did an outstanding job. It was a well played game by both teams."

DiNunzio scored just before halftime to put South ahead 1-0, assisted by Lauren Falzone. East's Megan Seward tied the game at 1-1 in the second half.

Laura Price, Aleece Burgio and Amy Buffomante played great defense, East coach Kate Zgoda said.

East beat blanked Eden, 5-0, in the prequarterfinals. Frank scored three goals. Steele and Jenna Guadagnino had a goal and two assists. Courtney Hawkins added an assist. East finished 6-8.

Football

# East cannot solve Starpoint

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Starpoint coach Al Cavagnaro doesn't have the definitive answer for why his team has beaten Williamsville East four straight times, including 33-14 Friday at Williamsville South in the Section VI Class A Consolation Bowl semifinals, but he has his reasons.

"We've gotten some breaks," Cavagnaro said. "The last two years our defense has been very tough and we've been able to stop them. Our kids have just made plays... I don't have the answer why but I'm just glad its happening that way."

"It was a lot of miscues," added East coach Henry Fumerelle. "We'd get drives going and fumble the ball. We were our own worst enemy. I think we were very inconsistent with our play in the game. We couldn't get anything going offensively and were playing on bad field position... We were just out of sync from the Amherst game (East won 35-14). You can't beat a quality football team if you make mistakes."

One of Starpoint's big plays, a school-record 98-yard interception return from Darren Vukovic with 4:28 left in the game, sealed the Spartan victory. East had cut the deficit to 28-14 a minute earlier when Zach Miller busted through the right side of the Starpoint defense on a fourth-and-1 for a 27-yard touchdown, his 12th TD of the season.

Brad Demo then recovered a pooch kick that went off a Starpoint player at the Spartan-40. Two plays later, East QB Joe Schriever under threw a pass to a streaking Rick Silvestri into the arms of Vukovic, who broke at least three tackles on his way to pay dirt.

"I was there where the ball was and fortunately, I had enough speed to get back into the end zone," said Vukovic.

Starpoint took advantage of good field position in the second half (earliest drive start was on its own 35) to score three other scores, two coming off East turnovers on consecutive drives.

A C.J. Regnet fumble recovery set up a 26-yard Brandon Bratek TD and an Eric Roberts interception led to a 9-yard QB sneak from Joe Scibilia. Scibilia also threw two TDs, an eight-yard strike to Mike Regnet at 10:03 of the first quarter and a nine-yard throw to Amir Billups at 2:29 left in the third. Bratek rushed 28 times for 154 yards.

Schriever scrambled for a 51-yard TD in the first quarter for East's first score. Mike Langfelder recovered a fumble off a Starpoint punt to set up the play.

Miller ran 12 times for 89 yards, unofficial, and a TD. He also made nine tackles on defense, unofficial.

"He played very physical and ran very hard," said Fumerelle of Miller. "I think he showed why he's a quality football player. He was the glue that held our team together."

Starpoint faced Hamburg for the Class A Bowl title Tuesday at Medina but results were unavailable before The Bee went to press.

Starpoint's consecutive wins over East coming into the game were 26-21 in Week Six, 21-6 in Week Seven last year and 20-6 in last year's Class A Consolation Bowl finals. East won 10-0 in Week Seven of 2004.

East finishes 4-4 and graduates 17 seniors.

"It was a disappointing season," Fumerelle said. "I think the biggest thing with us all season has been inconsistent play... The kids, through all of the adversity last week, stayed focused and had a big win (over Amherst), which was important."