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NEM Track Trophy Won by West Branch

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HOUGHTON LAKE -- Power and depth in the distance races won Northeastern Michigan Conference track honors here for West Branch High school, with the Orioles copping the second annual conference meet with 61½ points.

Houghton Lake, which ran off with the most first-places, finished in the runner up role and Roscommon, defending champion, tied with Pinconning for third place.

New records were established in eight of 13 events, including high and low hurdles, 100 and 220-yard dashes, mile run, shot [illegible] and 880-yard relay. The Lakers accounted for five of the new records, with Gladwin lowering two and the Orioles one.

Jim Roberts of Houghton Lake was the lone double winner, taking both dashes in record time. Roberts picked up 14 points for individual high scoring. Second was Dave Daugherty of Roscommon with 10.

Relay Laurels to Oriole Thinclads

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WEST BRANCH — Northeastern Michigan Conference schools staged a new event here recently, a relay meet that included field events, with West Branch winner on 41 1/10 points. The Orioles previously had taken championship honors in the regular conference meet with 61½ points.

Houghton Lake finished second with 33 3/5 points in the relay carnival, followed by Roscommon, Pinconning and Beaverton.

Being a new event, all marks posted in the four field and five relay races stand as records until bettered in future competition.

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