

# Modest Prep Ace Runs 4:17.7 Mile

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"I'm not much of an athlete," says Ron Strang, a junior at Lutheran West High School.

Yet Ron ran one of the fastest miles in Michigan high school history Saturday night in the Schafer Invitational in 40-degree temperatures.

Strang was clocked in 4:17.7, a full five seconds under the state Class B record and only four seconds off Lou Scott's Class A mark set in 1963.

"The only reason I went out for track was because my two older brothers bugged me so long I couldn't refuse," Strang said.

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"ONE OF MY brothers, Bill, held the school mile record of 4:49 but I've taken care of that."

Another excellent performance was the 7:58 mark set by Riverside High in the two-mile relay. It marked the first time in Michigan school-boy history the two-mile relay had been run under eight minutes.

Fred Roll of East Detroit turned in a 13-foot, 7¼ inch pole vault and Bob Lynn of Inkster won both hurdles.

Wyandotte won the team title with 40 points with Inkster placing second with 38, Ecorse 29½, Romulus 25 and East Detroit 14.

Ypsilanti High won the 10th annual Dick Waters relays at Monroe with 49 points.

Roseville's distance medley relay team of Bill Wehrwein, Mike Mugridge, Earl Harris and Ivan Scholl combined for a record 7:42.7 clocking.

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