

Six Girls' Records Tumble

Flushing Romps To Big 9 Title On 96½ Points

By DEAN HOWE

"The Genesee County girls' track meets: What an absolutely aesthetic experience!"

It's the one time of the year when the high school female athletes get a chance to show off and their enthusiasm for just having the opportunity to compete is overwhelming.

SATURDAY (all day) at Ainsworth's track, the teenyboppers put on another fun-filled display with Flushing, in the Big Nine Conference, Swartz Creek, in the Metro League, and Lakeville, in the County B emerging as team champions.

Comments like, "Ann, did you qualify for the 440? ... Oh, Goody-" and "Is Jim coming to watch you run?" filled the air. In the stands, the girls are still girls, but it's different when they reach the track. Then, they're serious-minded athletes.

That was demonstrated Saturday by six record performances. Since it was the



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Debbie Pennock . . . Sparks Flushing Track Triumph

Metro League's first meet, all times and distances count as records.

FLUSHING'S populated team breezed to the Big Nine title, polling 96½ points to outdistance Kearsley (47½), Davison (30) and Mt. Morris (1).

It was a tighter race in the other leagues with Swartz Creek repeating as champion (It won in the County B league last year) with 65 points to get by Fenton (50), Ainsworth (30) and Carman (29).

Lakeville regained the "B" title after a year's absence by scoring 55 markers to 43 for Montrose, 30 for Atherton, 29 for Bentley and 22 for Bendle.

THREE GIRLS tied as outstanding individual performers.

They were Montrose speedster Brenda Stoudamire, Carman's Aldora Gauthier and Ainsworth's Sue Long. All totaled 14 points with two first places and a second.

Miss Stoudamire set a "B" record of 11.9 in the 100, won the running long jump and finished second in the standing long jump.

Miss Gauthier won the 100 and 220 dashes and was runner-up in the high jump. Miss Long was first in the 440 run,

OTHER 'B' records came from Bendle's Pam Durand



Aldora Gauthier Scored 14 Points



Pam Durand Sets 220 Record

Swartz Creek, Lakeville Grab League Crowns

who raced to a 25.8 clocking in the 220 dash and Lakeville's 440 relay team which went 54-flat. The quartet was composed of Sandy Jones, Bev Gross, Evelyn Kowalski and Janice Banyas.

Flushing's 300 relay team of Geneva Halliday, Ruth Ecker, Darci Auker and Vicki Essinger set one Big Nine record with a 37.8 clocking. Kearsley's Tina Peters (220 dash) got the other in 27.4.

Flushing piled up 38½ points in five field events to cinch its victory early and Debbie Pennock was the brightest of the Raiderettes with firsts in the 75 dash, running long jump and a third in the high jump.

KEARSLEY'S Kathy Russell was the Big Nine's other double winner with victories in the high jump and softball throw.

Swartz Creek scored in every event, polling 11 points in the shot put with a first, third and fifth. Marilyn Scarborough won with a 30 foot, 10¼ inch heave.

The Creek's double winner was Nancy Josef who won the 75-yard sprint in 9.3 seconds and the standing long jump. Swartz Creek received other firsts from Glenda Lowell in the hurdles and Gail Lieben good in the high jump.

The summaries for three meets:

Big Nine Conference

Team scoring and legend—Flushing (F) 96½, Kearsley (K) 47½, Davison (D) 30, Mt. Morris (MM) 1.

75—1. Debbie Pennock (F). 2. Tina Peters (K). 3. Geneva Halliday (F). 4. Ann Sanborn (K). 5. Linda Riegle (D). T—9.5.

100—1. Vicki Essinger (F). 2. Marsha Erickson (F). 3. Sanborn (K). 4. Tina Stone (F). 5. Barb Warner (D). T—12.6.

220—1. Riegle (D). 2. Ruth Ecker (F). 3. Warner (D). 4. Donna Edington (F). 5. Diane Belmer (K). T—10.9.

300—1. Peters (K). 2. Laurie Woodruff (F). 3. Debbie Hooks (F). 4. Edington (F). 5. Candy Duap (D). T—27.4. (Breaks former record of 28.1 set by Ainsworth's Kay Stasiak in 1967).

440 relay—1. Flushing (Halliday, Ecker, Darci Auker, Vicki Essinger). 2. Kearsley. 3. Davison. T—37.8 (Breaks former record of 38.0 set by Kearsley in 1963).

Running long jump—1. Pennock (F). 2. Oliva Morgan (D). 3. Ecker (F). 4. Sheetz (F). 5. Phyllis Kristek (K). D—15.8.

Standing long jump—1. Erickson (F). 2. Nancy Horvath (F). 3. Tie, Halliday and Morgan. 5. Tie, Riegle and Ann Sanborn (K). D—8.4.

High jump—1. Kathy Russell (K). 2. Warner (D). 3. Pennock (F). 4. Riegle (D). 5. Sheetz (F). H—4.10.

Softball throw—1. Russell (K). 2. Chris Lien (F). 3. Margaret Bowen (K). 4. Cheryl Warson (K). 5. JoAnn Keys (MM). D—187.6.

Shot put—1. Beverly Yall (F). 2. Horvath (F). 3. Cheryl Warson (K). 4. Beth Pettengill (K). 5. Diane Washington (D). D—39.9.

440—1. Cindy Labian (F). 2. Steffy Hooks (F). 3. Morgan (D). 4. Sandra Putnam (K). 5. Bev Teague (K). T—1'07.4.



FOSBURY FLOP — Montrose's high jumper Sheila Lavasz sails over the bar in "Fosbury Flop" fashion Saturday during running of the County B League track meet at Ainsworth High. Miss Lavasz finished fourth and her team second in the meet.

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Tina Peters Kearsley Record-Setter

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