

CMU relays go to Lahser and Midland

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MIDPLEASANT—Bloomfield Hills' Lahser won three relays in taking the Class B title of the Central Michigan Relays Saturday on a 43-point total to Oscoda's 37 and Mt. Morris' 32.

Midland captured the Class A honors with a 65-point total to Hazel Park's 39 and Notre Dame's 33.

Lahser set a meet record of 3:30 in the mile relay and also won the two-mile (8:10.3) and the sprint medley (2:21.8). The former mile mark of 3:32.9 was set by River Rouge in 1967.

Two other records were posted. Midland erased the mile relay mark for Class A with a clocking of 3:24.4 and Midland's Dave Bouyer pole vaulted 13 feet 9 1/4. Farmington set the old mile mark of 3:28.2 in 1964.

Gary Coakley and Doug Brown sparked Notre Dame's third-place finish in Class A. Coakley won both the high and low hurdles with times of 14.7 and 19.5, while Brown took the mile in 4:30.

In another exceptionally fine effort, Robin Spicer, of Thurston, won the shotput with a toss of 53 feet, 4 1/2.

Oddly, the Class A high jump had only one qualifier, Grand Rapids Catholic Central's Dick Mercarelli, and he cleared 5 feet 9. In Class B, Oscoda's Maynard Crawley went 6 feet 1.

Crawley was the meet's individual standout. He picked up almost half of second-place Oscoda's 37-point total. Besides winning the high jump, Crawley also took the high hurdles, and was second in the low hurdles, and ran on one second-place relay team.

Midland took the Class A crown by winning the mile relay and the sprint medley, and finishing second in the distance medley, third in the 880, and fourth in both the 440 and two-mile relay.

Following are the team totals in both classes:

- CLASS A—Midland 65, Hazel Park 39, Notre Dame 33, Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills 32, Thurston 30, Port Huron Northern 27, tied, North Farmington and Port Huron 18 each, Seaholm 16, Plymouth 9.
- CLASS B—Bloomfield Hills Lahser 43, Oscoda 37, Mt. Morris 32, Rockford 21, Alma 17, Midland Bullock Creek 16, River Rouge 15, Holly 14 1/2, tied Willow Run and Charlotte, 14 each.

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