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Records fall like 10-pins in FF meet

Chatham's talented young Jill Finlin led the assault as 12 records tumbled at the fifth annual International Freedom Festival track and field meet, sponsored by the Riverside Legion Track Club, Wednesday at the University of Windsor athletic field.

Miss Finlin personally rewrote the record book three times in claiming the individual midget girls' championship. Under sweltering conditions, Jill cracked all three midget girls' weight events.

She brought down marks in the shot put, discus and javelin competitions to join 10 other standard-breakers.

John Mann of Oakland County Track Club turned in perhaps the most spectacular singular performance with his record-shattering 6'10" high jump in the open boys' competition. The Legion's own John Bower also set an open mark with a 222'2" toss of the javeline.

Barb Benson of the Knights of Columbus Track Club broke the former open girls' high jump standard with a 5'1" leap.

The high jump again took a beating in midget boys' action when Chatham's Brian Cooper made a record 6' jump. Miss Benson fashioned a double when she entered the midget high jump and recorded a 5'1½" measuring.

Russ Deneau of St. Edward's School toggled the old bantam boys' triple jump standard with a hurdle of 36'6½" and three bantam girls' records fell to high jumper Cathy Becigneul of K of C (4'9"). Long jumper Donna Weaver of Gordon McGregor (16'8") and javelin ace Rita Pinazzi of K of C (78'1").

Individual champs besides Miss Finlin were Derek Dodge of Riverside in open boys, Joanne Woods of Motor City in open girls, Paul Alba of Riverside in midget boys, Wayne Lessard of Riverside in bantam boys and Rita Pinazzi of K of C in bantam girls.

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