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Kettering Goofs Up, Still Captures Relays

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MT. PLEASANT — Kettering High of Detroit hit a new peak in track and field honors here Saturday.

Despite dropping a baton in the sprint medley event, the Pioneers roared back with a victory in the 880-yard relay, final event of a long, cold and windy day, to capture the Class A title at the 31st annual Central Michigan Relays.

"I passed up two other events to bring my squad here," said Kettering coach Jerry Green. "I thought we could win it, but I wasn't so sure after we goofed in the spring medley.

"We have won two state regional titles in the past, but this is our finest hour in the sport."

Kettering won two first, placed in seven other events, and piled up 37 points to 35 for runner-up Grand Rapids Catholic Central.

HOLLY WON FOR THE FIRST

Kettering trailed Grand Rapids Catholic, 34-25, going into the 880 relay, and needed to win it while Catholic Central went unplaced.

That's exactly what happened as a quartet of Bob Garth, Levi Jackson, Jim Gaut and Ron Gardner won in 1:33 flat. It was Gardner who got Kettering its other first. He won the 120-yard high hurdles and placed second in the 180-yard lows.

Kettering got a second from Gaut in the long jump, a second from its 440-yard relay team, a fourth from Jackson in the 100, and fifth from Cornelius Gowdon and Mike Casom in the shot put and mile, respectively.

Following Kettering and Grand Rapids Catholic in Class A were: Midland Dow 32, Midland 24½, Port Huron 24, Gross Pointe North 23, Grand Rapids Union 21 and Bridgeport 20.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Big Shot II Wins Century

Argentine-bred Big Shot II went out in front at the start and staged a wire-to-wire victory Saturday in the fourth running of the \$100,000 Century Handicap on the turf at Hollywood park in Inglewood, Calif.

The race was marred in the stretch when The Field, which finished second, was disqualified for cutting in front of horses. The disqualification moved Drumtop to second and favored Cougar II to third in the field of 11.

Big Shot II was ridden by Rudy Rosales and raced the 1¼ miles in the excellent time of 2:13.25 for its first major victory in the United States. The triple entry of Big Shot II, Dendron and Azincourt II, returned \$18, \$6.20 and \$2.80.

COLLEGIAN WINS NORTH-SOUTH

Eddie Pearce, 18-year-old Wake Forest University freshman from Temple Terrace, Fla., shot four-under-par golf Saturday to trim Walker Cup player Vinny Giles of Richmond, Va., 5 and 4, in the 36-hole finals of the North and South Amateur Golf Tournament.

The long-hitting 183-pounder, who holds the Florida Open title, became the youngest winner in the 71-year history of the tournament.

They're Off . . . at Indy

Last year's runnerup, Mark Donohue, was the first driver on the track Saturday as practice runs began for the Indianapolis

time in Class B and turned in an unusual performance.

In piling up 71 points, the Broncos failed to win a single first place, but chalked up 10 seconds and a third. Following Holly were: Mt. Morris 54, Fenton 31, Midland-Bullock Creek 24, River Rouge 20, Essexville Garber 19 and Lakewood 19.

The day's top individual performer was Roy Young of Mt. Morris. He won both the 100-yard dash and the long jump. His leap of 22 feet, 4½ inches in the latter broke a record which had been on the books since 1855.

Class A

TWO MILE RELAY: Grand Rapids Catholic, 10:23.2 (Harris and Brown). Time — 8:23.2.

DISTANCE MEDLEY RELAY: Bay City Central (Copp, Jostwalak, Hunt and Johnson). Time — 15:27.7.

SPRINT MEDLEY RELAY: Port Huron (Lambert, Coffey, Kline and Stapp). Time — 4:16.7.

HIGH JUMP: Randy Heise of Midland. Height — 4 feet, 1 inch.

SHOT PUT: Gary W. Przygodski of Grand Rapids Catholic Central. Distance — 55 feet 4 inches.

200-YARD DASH: Bob Young of Grand Rapids Union. Time — 1:17.7 seconds.

100-YARD DASH: Bob Young of Grand Rapids Union. Time — 19.1 seconds.

MILE RUN: Dave Wood of Grand Rapids Union. Time — 6:21.1.

MIDDLE DISTANCE RELAY: Henri Mart (Lambert, P. Power and Simon). Time — 3:29.4.

100-YARD LOW HURDLES: Mike Stupars of Midland. Time — 3:08 seconds.

POLE VAULT: Steve Kennedy of Warren Fitzgerald. Height — 12 feet, 3 inches.

400-YARD RELAY: Bridgeport (Vane, T. Haddock, Gossage and G. Paganoni). Time — 8:1.2 seconds.

LONG JUMP: Bob Johnson of Port Huron. Distance — 20 feet, 10½ inches.

MILE RELAY: Warrick of Most Honor. Time — 6:21.1.

800-YARD RELAY: Detroit Kettering (Garth, Jackson, Gaut and Gardner). Time — 3:35.8.

Class B

100-YARD HIGH HURDLES: Pat Rivard of South Lyon. Time — 1:52.

LONG JUMP: Roy Young of Mt. Morris. Distance — 22 feet, 4½ inches. Time — 2:32.4.

SPRINT MEDLEY RELAY: Fenton (K. F. Wicks, H. H. Haddock, Harris and R. H. Haddock). Time — 2:32.4.

POLE VAULT: Ron Kruse of Sparks. Height — 12 feet, 7 inches.

TROUBLE RELAY: St. Louis (Knecht, McJannet, Hoffman and Allen). Time — 4:16.7.

DISTANCE MEDLEY RELAY: Essexville (A. A. Davidson, Laska and Allen). Time — 15:27.7.

MILE RUN: Gary W. Przygodski of Lakewood. Time — 6:46.7.

SHOT PUT: Al Machabak of Caro. Distance — 46 feet, 11 inches.

100-YARD DASH: Roy Young of Mt. Morris. Time — 19.1 seconds.

MIDDLE DISTANCE RELAY: Fenton (Haddock, Detrick, Harris and Karry). Time — 3:29.4.

100-YARD LOW HURDLES: Bill Bowen of Lakewood. Time — 3:08.

HIGH JUMP: Jesse Myers of Midland-Bullock Creek. Height — 4 feet.

400-YARD RELAY: Mt. Morris (Ayers, Stapp, B. H. Tucker and Young). Time — 8:1.2.

MILE RELAY: Fenton (K. F. Wicks, H. H. Haddock and H. H. Haddock). Time — 3:35.8.

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