

BRENDA WEBB & KETTERING NATIONAL JUNIOR CHAMPIONS

Bellbrook, Ohio, November 11:-Brenda Webb led her home town Kettering Striders to the National AAU Junior Cross Country Championships here today with an easy win over the hilly and muddy course in 15:25. The Kettering team won the title with 36 points to far outdistance second place Indiana State who totalled 120 points. Second place in the individual title race went to the Falcon's Kathy Kuyk, presently living in St. Louis.

The Blue Ribbon TC's Vetter sisters, Debbie and Diane, had too much class for the rest of the field in the 14/17 division as they ran 1-2, but the Kettering Striders had too much depth and won the team title in this division also.

In the 12/13 Division, Sports International's Robin Campbell was simply overwhelming as she trudged to an easy win over the 1½ mile distance in 8:34. The Kettering Striders won their third team title in this division, but this time not without a battle as the Long Island Golden Spikettes were a mere two points behind. 170 girls started in this division!

Not to be outdone by her older sister, Donna Campbell won the 10/11 division in a ding-dong duel with Shannon Cline of the Golden Angels as both girls stopped the watches in 7:31 after galloping 1¼ miles. A good fight for the team title took place here as Kettering failed to score and the Sports International crew won with 78 points to 88 for the Blue Ribbon TC and 99 for the Fleet Feet crew.

Anne Berry of the Fleet Feet group won the 9/Under race in 6:15 with seven year old Laura Craven (Ohio TC) a good second in 6:20. The Fleet Feeters won this team title over the Roseville Gazelles 76-82.

The Junior Nationals have really come of age as can be shown by the fact entries were received from 47 clubs and 503 athletes actually finished the races. Nancy Shafer, Canton TC, and Sue Parks, unattached, ran in the Women's Division as guest competitors (non-scoring) with Shafer outkicking Webb to win the race in 15:17 and Parks, who led most of the race, placing third in 15:30.

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RESULTS: Women's Division (2.5m), 1-Brenda Webb (KS) 15:25, 2-Kathy Kuyk (Falcon TC) 15:43, 3-Paula Strack (KS) 15:55, 4-Karen McKeechie (Michigammas) 16:03, 5-Carol Fridley (Un) 16:09, 6-Patty Cornish (Frederick TFC) 16:17 (Ellen's sister), 7-Debbie Hawney (Western Illinois Univ) 16:47, 8-Marby Pulver (Electric City TC) 16:56, 9-Sharon Fitzgerald (KS) 17:10, 10-Kathy Hovey (KS) 17:12. Scores, 1-Kettering Striders 36, 2-Indiana State 120, 3-Canton TC 122, 4-KS "B" 153. Finishers: 41. 14/17 Division (2.0m), 1-Debbie Vetter (BRTC) 12:07, 2-Diane Vetter (BRTC) 12:18, 3-Anne McRae (Suffolk AC) 12:23, 4-Robin Perry (Ambler OC) 12:32, 5-Joy Jarvis (KS) 12:36.... 10-Janis Vetter (BRTC) 12:54, 11-Anita Scadurra (Suffolk AC) 12:57. Scores, 1-KS 85, 2-BRTC 111, 3-Suffolk AC 124, 4-Ambler OC 206, 5-Latrobe TC 211, 6-Fairfield Striders 220, 7-Falmouth TC 250, 8-Milwaukee Badgerettes 250, 9-Long Island Golden Spikettes 257, 10-Ohio TC 390, 11-SAC "B" 436. Finishers: 100. 12/13 Division (1.5m), 1-Robin Campbell (SITC) 8:34, 2-Shannon Mullin (MilBdge) 8:41, 3-Margaret Groos (Nashville Whippets) 8:43, 4-Julie Shea (Raleigh-Durham) 8:49, 5-Mary Opalewski (FFTC) 8:59. Scores, 1-KS 97, 2-LIGS 99, 3-FFTC 105, 4-MB 202, 5-SITC 211, 6-Ohio TC 239, 7-KS "B" 274, 8-Palos Hills TC 287, 9-Tri-State TC 311, 10-SAC 348, 11-Cleveland Heights TC 378, 12-Kirkwood 433, 13-Motor City 434, 14-Raleigh-Durham 437, 15-LIGS 519, 16-Buckeye TC 609, 17-PAL Cinderettes 638, 18-Spartan TC 641, 19-Ohio TC "B" 643. Finishers: 159. 10/11 Division (1.25), 1-Donna Campbell (SITC) 7:31, 2-Shannon Cline (Golden Angels) 7:31, 3-Kelly Yesmunt (FFTC) 7:52, 4-Jill Haworth (SITC) 7:57, 5-Joan Sapovich (Latrobe) 7:59.... 63-Crickett Cupid (Ambler) 9:12. Scores, 1-SITC 78, 2-BRTC 88, 3-FFTC 99, 4-Golden Angels 129, 5-Latrobe 137, 6-Buckeye 184, 7-Ambler 211, 8-Kirkwood 256, 9-Cleveland Hts 284, 10-Ohio TC 359, 11-Suffolk AC 374, 12-LIGS 385, 13-Mound TC 454. Finishers 113. 9/Under Division (1.0m), 1-Anne Berry (FFTC) 6:15, 2-Laura Craven (OTC) 6:20, 3-Kathy Knowlton (Roseville) 6:26, 4-Anne Vargo (ClevHts) 6:29, 5-Kim Gallagher (Ambler) 6:40. Scores, 1-FFTC 76, 2-Roseville Gazelles 82, 3-SITC 100, 4-Ambler OC 133, 5-Cleveland Heights 157, 6-Ohio TC 184, 7-Latrobe TC 204, 8-KS 224, 9-Buckeye 244, 10-LIGS 278, 11-Kirkwood 344. Finishers: 90.