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Weather's Lousy, But Track Times Keep Improving

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Despite a poor season in the weather department, area track performers keep coming through with better times and distances as the time fast approaches for the state championship meets.

The leaders held on for the most part, but the competition below is closing the gap.

Big changes occurred this week in the low hurdles, pole vault and two mile.

Saginaw High's Willie Dawkins was the first to break the 20-second mark in the low hurdles with a school record time of 19.7. He wasn't even in the top five last week.

Teammate Henry McClung moved from fifth to second place with a 20.0 time in the lows. Saginaw High coaches look for great things from this promising sophomore hurdler.

Frankenmuth's Dave Bannerman and SS. Peter & Paul's Fred Dashner also improved their times in the event. There's a four-way time for the lead in the high hurdles.

The pole vaulters just keep going higher and higher. The top area vault is now 13-3 and shared by John Malloy of Mayville and Clare's Don Teall.

It takes 13 feet to make the cutoff as Dave Putnam of Caro has a 13-2 effort, while brother Tim Putnam and Randy Balzer of Unionville-Sebewaing are in at 13-0.

The two-milers did a bit of switching in the top five slots. Jeff Randolph, only a sophomore with a bright future for Midland, has the top time at 9:44.3.

Paul Zucker of Arthur Hill dipped to second at 9:46.4, Kevin Taylor of Eisenhower is third at 9:49.4 and Midland's Tom Plamp and Don McCoy of Hemlock are also in the list at under 10 minutes.

Saginaw High's 880-yard relay team of Larry Bradshaw, Bob Chapman, Larry Foster and Reggie Jones turned in a stunning 1:30.0 time at the Saginaw Valley League meet to improved on its first place ranking.

The Trojans also continue to lead in the 440 relay, though the mile relay belongs to Midland Dow's Dave Hernandez, Paul Miller, Bill Seeman and Randy Kee with a 3:28.4. Bridgeport has a 3:30.7 time to its credit.

The times are through Wednesday, May 9. The listings were prepared prior to the regional meets throughout the state this weekend.

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Top Area Track Times

SHOT PUT		4 Don McCoy, Hemlock	9:54.0
1. Doug Thelen, Mount Pleasant	53-8	5. Tom Plamp, Midland	9:58.0
2. Paul Walkderzak, Arthur Hill	51-8	MILE RELAY	
3. Curt Thon, Arthur Hill	51-0	1. Midland Dow (Dave Hernandez, Paul Miller, Bill Seeman, Randy Kee)	3:28.4
4. Jim Lothrop, Millington	50-11	2. Bridgeport (Steve Johnson, Jim Schauman, Zane DeForrest, Mike Arnold)	3:30.7
5. Bill Taylor, Eisenhower	49-9	3. Bullock Creek (Dave Maschino, Tim Dryer, Dave Miller, Paul Sasse)	3:31.3
HIGH JUMP		4. Midland (Paul Gorton, Greg Chase, Steve Gregory, John Scholter)	3:32.2
1. Bob Chapman, Saginaw High	6-6	5. Vassar (Bill Eskelson, Tyre Proffer, Ron James, Jon Swinton)	3:33.3 L
2. Curt Thon, Arthur Hill	6-5	440 RELAY	
3. John Combs, Arthur Hill	6-2	1. Saginaw High (Reggie Carter, Bob Chapman, Larry Foster, Reggie Jones)	43.2
4. Doug Greason, Midland Dow	6-1 1/2	2. Midland (Kim Altman, Rick Smith, Jeff Mesler, Mark Braman)	45.1
5. (tie) Rick Burks, Midland Dow	6-1 1/2	3. Midland Dow (Steve Schroeder, Jon Hitchcock, Garry Brubaker, Mark Pelt)	45.2
Ross Anderson, Eisenhower	6-1	4. Bullock Creek (Phil Bejcek, Kurt Twinning, Kip Weaver, Dan Varner)	45.35
Willie Dawkins, Saginaw High	6-1	5. Arthur Hill (Chuck Beach, Gary Champagne, Ron Rummel, Curt Thon)	45.5
LONG JUMP		880 RELAY	
1. Bill Yeo, MacArthur	22-3	1. Saginaw High (Larry Bradshaw, Bob Chapman, Larry Foster, Reggie Jones)	1:30.9
2. Sam Onsolt, St. Louis	22-2	2. Midland (Rick Smith, Mark Braman, Dave Bousheki, Kim Altman)	1:33.0
3. Kim Altman, Midland	21-8 1/2	3. Mount Pleasant (Kip Schmidt, Kelly Beltnick, Dean Baij, Obe Nwabara)	1:34.3
4. Neal Rollier, Unionville-Sebewaing	21-6	4. Bridgeport (Lanell Stuleer, Brian Austin, Gevan Woodke, Mike Arnold)	1:34.7
5. Al Streiter, Unionville-Sebewaing	21-2 1/2	5. Hemlock (Paul Gorney, Ron Darling, Jim Masar, Bill Hoepfner)	1:34.8
POLE VAULT			
1. (tie) Don Teall, Clare	13-3		
John Malloy, Mayville	13-3		
3. Dave Putnam, Caro	13-2		
4. (tie) Randy Balzer, Unionville-Sebewaing	13-0		
Tim Putnam, Caro	13-0		
100 DASH			
1. Reggie Jones, Saginaw High	9.6		
2. Phil Bejcek, Bullock Creek	9.8		
3. Bob Chapman, Saginaw High	10.0		
4. Sam Onsolt, St. Louis	10.1		
5. (tie) Pat Moore, St. Stephen's	10.15		
John DeChane, Bad Axe	10.15		
Rick Harwick, Caro	10.15		
220 DASH			
1. Reggie Jones, Saginaw High	20.8		
2. Rick Harwick, Caro	22.2		
3. (tie) Pat Moore, St. Stephen's	22.4		
Willie Bell, Buena Vista	22.4		
5. Kelly Beltnick, Mount Pleasant	22.5		
440 DASH			
1. Bill Yeo, MacArthur	50.3		
2. Mike Arnold, Bridgeport	50.35		
3. Rick Harwick, Caro	50.9		
4. Mark Pelt, Midland Dow	51.0		
5. Steve Leunberger, Freeland	51.4		
880 DASH			
1. Mike Arnold, Bridgeport	1:59.0		
2. Paul Sasse, Bullock Creek	1:59.2		
3. (tie) Paul Miller, Midland Dow	2:00.3		
Bill Singer, Eisenhower	2:00.3		
5. Chuck Glowicki, Shepherd	2:01.0		
120 HIGH HURDLES			
1. (tie) Larry Martin, Vassar	15.4		
Dennis Sova, Freeland	15.4		
Jim Acton, Breckenridge	15.4		
Dave Bannerman, Frankenmuth	15.4		
5. Henry McClung, Saginaw High	15.6		
150 LOW HURDLES			
1. Willie Dawkins, Saginaw High	19.7		
2. Henry McClung, Saginaw High	20.0		
3. Dave Bannerman, Frankenmuth	20.6		
4. (tie) Dennis Sova, Freeland	20.7		
Fred Dashner, SS. Peter & Paul's	20.7		
MILE RUN			
1. Al Benezette, Midland	4:31.9		
2. Bill Singer, Eisenhower	4:33.2		
3. Paul Singer, Eisenhower	4:34.9		
4. Mark Schaberg, Midland	4:36.0		
5. Steve Fountain, Mount Pleasant	4:37.32		
TWO MILE RUN			
1. Jeff Randolph, Midland	9:44.3		
2. Paul Zucker, Arthur Hill	9:46.4		
3. Kevin Taylor, Eisenhower	9:49.4		

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