

Trojans Dominate Final '73 Listings

Prep Track Keeps Getting Better

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Coaches look for improvement as an important gauge in any sport. Area track coaches can look with pride and joy at The News' final area track listings for '73.

For the second straight season, the top times and distances are better than the previous year in nine events.

And, for the second straight season Saginaw High's Trojans dominate the cream of the crop.

The Trojans, the 1973 Class A state champs, far outshine the rest of the best with six leaders. Five of those events are repeats from a year ago, though some of the relay names were changed.

Midland, the Saginaw Valley League

East Division champ, is next with two leaders. The Chemics are followed by representatives from seven schools in the remaining seven events.

The improvements are shown in the pole vault, long jump, 220, 440, 880, mile, two mile, 880 and 440 relays. Class A schools lead in 11 of the 15 categories, while three leaders are from the Class C ranks and only one from 'B'. All classes are represented in the listings.

Reggie Jones, the state's Class A sprint champ for the past two seasons, is in a class by himself.

He once again is tops in the 100 and 220 dashes, and anchored the Trojan 880 relay team to a first in that event. The 220 and 880 relay times are better than a year ago.

Other Trojan leaders are Bob Chapman

in the high jump and Willie Dawkins in the low hurdles. Both are a part of the two leading relays. Larry Foster and Reggie Carter fill out the other spots.

Midland's sophomore two miler has the best time in that event, and the Chemics have the best mile relay foursome in the area.

Filling out the leaders for '73 are Mount Pleasant's Doug Thielen in the shot put, St. Louis's Sam Onstott in the long jump, Don Teall of Clare in the pole vault, Rick Harwick of Caro in the 440, Bridgeport's Mike Arnold in the 880, Vassar's Larry Martin in the high hurdles and Eisenhower's Bill Singer in the mile.

There are five events this season with better times and distances in the fifth and final place over a year ago. Two remain the same. The improvements are in the pole vault, high jump, mile, two mile and mile relays.

The over-all strength of some events show great growth. All pole vaulters are 13-0 or better. All 880 runners are under two minutes. Four of the five milers are under four and a half minutes.

The top over-all event has to be the two



REGGIE JONES

...Classy Speedster

mile where all five runners are under 10 minutes.

Each year produces many new and often better track athletes at the prep level. Next year should be no exception with many junior and sophomore trackmen lodged in the final listings.

Top Area Track Times

FINAL LISTINGS

4 Rick Smith, Midland 15.5

5 Henry McClung, Saginaw High 15.6

100 LOW HURDLES

1 Willie Dawkins, Saginaw High 19.7

2 Henry McClung, Saginaw High 20.0

3 (tie) Rick Smith, Midland 20.4

Dave Bannerman, Frankenmuth 20.4

5 (tie) Dennis Sova, Freeland 20.7

Fred Dashner, SS, Peter & Paul's 20.7

Larry Martin, Vassar 20.7

MILE RUN

1 Bill Singer, Eisenhower 4:24.5

2 Al Benezzette, Midland 4:25.3

3 Steve Fountain, Mount Pleasant 4:25.9

4 Andy Kovac, St. Louis 4:27.5

5 Kevin Martin, SS, Peter & Paul's 4:32.3

TWO MILE

1 Jeff Randolph, Midland 9:25.3

2 Paul Zucker, Arthur Hill 9:35.4

3 Paul Singer, Eisenhower 9:42.4

4 Don Law, Bridgeport 9:45.8

5 Kevin Taylor, Eisenhower 9:47.0

MILE RELAY

1. Midland (Paul Gorton, Greg Chase, Steve Gregory, Jeff Mesler) 3:26.2

2. Midland (Dave Hernandez, Paul Miller, Bill Seeman, Randy Kee) 3:26.7

3. Bullock Creek (Dave Maschino, Tim Dryer, Dave Miller, Paul Sasse) 3:28.5

4. Bridgeport (Steve Johnson, Jim Schauman, Zane DeForest, Mike Arnold) 3:30.7

5. Bad Axe (Kurt Vincent, John DeChance, Tom Shedd, Bob Careder) 3:31.0

880 RELAY

1. Saginaw High (Larry Foster, Bob Chapman, Willie Dawkins, Reggie Jones) 1:28.8

2. Midland (Rick Smith, Greg Chase, Kim Altman, Jeff Mesler) 1:31.8

3. Vassar (George Reeve, Sylvester Swinton, Don James, Jon Swinton) 1:32.3

4. St. Louis (Joe Vetere, Jim Boyd, Jake Rojars, Jim McPherson) 1:33.6

5. Bridgeport (Brian Austin, Steve Johnson, Gevan Woodke, Mike Arnold) 1:33.7

440 RELAY

1. Saginaw High (Reggie Carter, Willie Dawkins, Larry Foster, Bob Chapman) 41.1

2. Midland (Rick Smith, Steve Bousfield, Jim Scholten, Kim Altman) 41.1

3. St. Louis (Joe Vetere, Sam Onstott, Jim McPherson, Jim Boyd) 41.45

4. Vassar (George Reeve, Mike Wade, Don James, Jeff Morrison) 45.0

5. Unionville-Sebewaing (Phil Meyers, Dave Neu, Ray Gokeuy, Al Striter) 45.1

120 HIGH HURDLES

1. Larry Martin, Vassar 15.15

2. (tie) Dennis Sova, Freeland 15.4

Dave Bannerman, Frankenmuth 15.4

SHOT PUT

1. Doug Thielen, Mount Pleasant 53.8

2. Paul Walderzak, Arthur Hill 51.10

3. Curt Thon, Arthur Hill 51.0

4. Jim Lohrop, Millington 50.11

5. Bill Taylor, Eisenhower 50.11

HIGH JUMP

1. Bob Chapman, Saginaw High 6-6

2. Curt Thon, Arthur Hill 6-5

3. John Combs, Arthur Hill 6-2

4. (tie) Doug Greason, Midland Dow 6-1 1/2

Ross Anderson, Eisenhower 6-1 1/2

LONG JUMP

1. Sam Onstott, St. Louis 22-4 1/4

2. Bill Yeo, MacArthur 22-3

3. Kim Altman, Midland 21-8 1/2

4. Neal Roller, Unionville-Sebewaing 21-6

5. Don James, Vassar 21-4 1/2

POLE VAULT

1. Don Teall, Clare 13-6

2. John Malloy, Mayville 13-3

3. Dave Putnam, Caro 13-2

4. (tie) Mel Balzer, Unionville-Sebewaing 13-0

Tim Putnam, Caro 13-0

Gary Macklin, Beaverton 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. Paul Gerny, Hemlock 10.05

5. (tie) Sam Onstott, St. Louis 10.1

Jeff Mesler, Midland 10.1

Kelly Beltnick, Mount Pleasant 10.1

Pat Moore, St. Stephen's 10.1

220 DASH

1. Reggie Jones, Saginaw High 20.8

2. Rick Harwick, Caro 22.2

3. Pat Moore, St. Stephen's 22.3

4. (tie) Willie Bell, Buena Vista 22.4

Sam Onstott, St. Louis 22.4

440 DASH

1. Rick Harwick, Caro 49.0

2. Bill Yeo, MacArthur 49.9

3. Mike Arnold, Bridgeport 50.0

4. Larry Bradshaw, Saginaw High 50.4

5. Mark Pol, Midland Dow 51.0

800 RUN

1. Mike Arnold, Bridgeport 1:57.9

2. Bill Eveckelson, Vassar 1:58.1

3. Paul Sasse, Bullock Creek 1:59.2

4. Steve Gregory 1:59.3

5. Gary Champagne, Arthur Hill 1:59.5

1500 HIGH HURDLES

1. Larry Martin, Vassar 15.15

2. (tie) Dennis Sova, Freeland 15.4

Dave Bannerman, Frankenmuth 15.4

Jones Gets Invite To Big Track Meet, But Could Use Push

The honors and invitations keep piling up for Saginaw High sprint champ Reggie Jones.

The 1972 and '73 Class A sprint king has received an invitation and will compete in the second annual International Prep Track and Field Invitational Saturday, June 9 at Mount Prospect High in Mount Prospect, Ill.

This an Amateur Athletic Union sanctioned meet and sponsored by The Coca-Cola Bottling Compnay Co. of Chicago.

Jones also received an invitation to compete in the third annual Track and Field Championships at Drake University on the same day.

The international meet will automatically qualify the first two American athletes in each event for the National AAU Junior Championships in Gainesville, Fla., June 22-23. A national junior team will be selected from that event to compete against similar national teams from Russia, Poland and Germany this summer.

The top performers from this meet will also be recommended for selection to the prestigious Golden West Invitational in Sacramento, Calif., June 16.

All traveling and meal expenses must be met by the athlete and accompanying coach. The total cost for the weekend venture is estimated at near \$125.

Reggie might not be able to golf finances are not gathered in time.

Any organization, group, person or persons interested in sponsoring this very valuable and worthwhile trip and competition for the Saginaw High athlete should contact the Saginaw High athletic department in care of Athletic Director and Head Track Coach Claude Marsh as soon as possible.

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Recreation Schedules

MEN'S EVENING SOFTBALL

TUESDAY

At Hoyt Park: 6:15 p.m. — Mr. T's Lounge vs. Roaches 1; Brandy Ceramics vs. Colonial Inn No. 1, 2; Industrial Beltline Supply vs. Bantz Apple Mt. 3; Paul's

PIGTAIL SOFTBALL

(All games at 6:15 p.m.; home team listed last)

Hand-Under Division

TUESDAY At Hoyt Park: Timberline vs. Central

OPEN BOWLING

SAT. 1:00 P.M. 'til CLOSING

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