

# Two 1sts, State Mark Go To Michigammes

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MIDLAND — Ann Forshee and Karin McKeachie won first places and the distance medley relay unit set a new state record as the Michigammes took runner-up honors in the Midwest Open last weekend.

Forshee won the 880-yard run and McKeachie the mile while Susan Latter, Cheryl Soles, Francie Kraker Goodridge and Forshee formed the distance medley group which finished 12:27. It was Latter running the 880, Soles the 440, Goodridge three-quarters and Forshee the mile.

In the 10-11 age group, La Nett Jones was first in the 22-yard run and second in the 100 for perhaps the best performance for the Michigammes.

The Michigammes might have won the event in which 34 teams from Ohio, Canada, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Michigan, Nebraska and Kentucky participated but Coach Ken Simmons held back some of his best athletes as a result of injuries.

He took Latter out of the 440 because she had two blisters on her feet although she wanted to run. Her state high school record is :56.6 while the winning time at Midland was :57.5.

Betty Smith has a leg injury

and was held back in the 440 relay despite her desire to participate.

Other placings in the open events (15 and over) included Roberta Zold, third in the shot put and fifth in the discus; Smith, third in the long jump; Soles, fourth in the shot and fourth in the 220-yard dash; Susan Koebnick, fifth at 440; Debbie Strickland, sixth in the long jump; Dawn Line, sixth in the 100, and McKeachie, sixth at 880.

In the 14-15 age group, Jane Pierce was second in the shot, Pam Moore fifth in the 100

and sixth in the 220, and Kathy Vidrih, sixth in the mile.

In the 12-13 group, Sarah Peterson was second in the long jump, Inee Maripuu sixth in the mile and the 880 medley of Kim Wyche, Terrie Brooks, Peterson and Sandra Jones was third. The 440 relay, composed of the same foursome, was fourth.

The meet marked the return to competition of Olympian Francie Kraker Goodridge and she helped set the new state record. This foursome has the potential of breaking the national mark.

## Riva Ridge Sets Suffolk Track Mark

BOSTON (AP) — Secretariat and Riva Ridge are a dream 1-2 punch for any owner, trainer and jockey. Champagne victory celebrations become almost routine.

Penny Tweedy, owner of Meadow Stables, trainer Lucien Laurin and veteran jockey Ron Turcotte celebrated again Sunday after Riva Ridge equalled a track record set by the great Whirlaway in winning the \$56,050 Massachusetts Handicap at Suffolk

“I won't compare this horse with Secretariat,” Turcotte replied. “They're both great horses. Riva Ridge has a lot of good races left in him. Of course, Secretariat is retiring to stud later this year.”

Riva Ridge, who missed the Triple Crown in a loss to Bee Bee Bee on a muddy strip in the Preakness last year, avenged that loss decisively in the 39th running of the Massachusetts Handicap, New