

# Huron Girls Win Regional Title

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YPSILANTI — Huron High won three individual titles and came away with the Class A women's regional track and field championship Saturday at Shadford Field.

The River Rats have had some bad luck this season, but the entire team came through with excellent efforts to defeat three strong challengers and send a number of people to the state meet.

Pioneer was one of the big challeng-

ers until the final two events and surprised many people with its strong showing. Huron finished with 38 points and Pioneer had 25 to finish fourth. Ypsilanti finished third with 30 and Westland John Glenn was second with 34.

Aini Maripuu was the first to take a title when she ran away from the field in the 880 with a time of 2:22.5, her best of the season and good enough to win by 20 yards. "I went out a second faster than I usually do my first lap because the pack was so big and I didn't want to get caught in the middle," she said.

Sarah Peterson was Huron's second winner. She won the 110 hurdles in :15.0, which was a close meet. "My main concern there is Ann Cwik from Bishop Borgess," said Peterson. "There are two hurdlers from Pontiac Central who have better times than I, but I'm determined to beat Cwik."

Huron's final winner was Karla Amble, defending proverbial mile in the time of 12:00.5. There are runners in the state who have turned in better times than she has this year. "I'm looking forward to having someone to run with at the state meet," she said.

Huron got great efforts from other individuals. Debbie Mullice qualified for the state in both the 100 and 220, finishing fifth and second, respectively. Pam Courtney also qualified in the 100 on the basis of her time of :11.6.

Cindy Damon qualified third in the high jump at 5-1, and the mile relay team of Maripuu, Damon, Mary Dyer and Joy Starks was second, mainly due to a gutty effort by Starks, who was challenged by Nanette Fileccia of Pioneer and a John Glenn runner down the stretch. Pioneer finished fourth.

Pioneer's big star was Lisa Illi, who won the discus with a surprising fling of 102-11½. "I've got a new spinning technique and that made the difference," she said. Her coach, Lincoln Schoch, added that, "Lisa is close to the best in the state now. She was a real surprise, because we weren't even planning to score in the discus."

Other Pioneer qualifiers were Brenda Hutton, who was third in the hurdles; Pat Schott who was second in the 880, and Debbie Mayotte, who was third in the mile.

Ypsilanti had a strong showing and qualified for the state in six events. Brenda Wilson won the 100 and the 440 relay team of Terri Poe, Robbin Smith, April Green and Wilson, also won.

The happiest people at Shadford Field had to be Huron Coach Ken Hillis and his assistant, Carol Frederick, who saw their team demonstrate some of the potential that they have felt it had all season, despite some disappointing setbacks.

"We are just very happy to win," said Hillis. "I am especially happy for our seniors Karla and Cindy, who will get a chance to compete for Huron one last time at the state. We will train hard for that meet."

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## Irish Second To DePorres

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GRASS LAKE — Finishing second to the defending state champions is nothing to be ashamed of.

And the St. Thomas High boys' track and field team certainly isn't ashamed of its performance Saturday, when it was outscored only by Detroit St. Martin dePorres in the Class D regional meet here.

DePorres rolled up 62 points to win the event while the Irish totaled 39 and host Grass Lake had 36.

"This is the second year in a row we have been runnersup to the Detroit team with the great sprinters," said St. Thomas Coach Don Canham. "Obviously, this was an extremely loaded regional. The state champion will come from this one."

The Irish qualified competitors in 10 events for the state meet.

John Wright was the top individual, making the grade in the 880-yard run and 440-yard dash in addition to anchoring the mile relay.

"Wright was fabulous, certainly the top competitor in the meet," said Canham.

Wright won the half-mile in 1:59.7 and took third in the 440 in :51.0. The mile relay took second in a school-record 3:31.4. Wright's :50.4 anchor

followed legs by Russ Sieron, Jim Driscoll and Ron Schatzle.

Mark Richard qualified in both hurdles, winning the highs in :15.3 after breaking his own school record with a :14.9 in the semifinals, and taking third in the lows in :21.2. Tom O'Brien took second in the long jump (20-10), fifth in the 220 (:23.5) and sixth in the 100 (:10.5). His 100 time qualified him for the state despite his placing and he also anchored the third-place 880-yard relay, another state entry. Mark Fox, Mike Mrozinski, and Ron Schatzle preceded him on the 880 relay, which was clocked in 1:35.4.

Paul Sherzer was second in the shot put (46-1½) and fourth in the discus (115-7).

Other Irish individual qualifiers were Pat Wright (fifth, mile, 5:42.7) and Schatzle (sixth, 440, :52.4).

Bill Van Bonn's 10:27.4 in the two-mile was St. Thomas' fastest in five years but he finished fourth and failed to qualify.

"We scored in 12 events, and outstanding demonstration of balance," said Canham. "The only real disappointment was the high jump. Both Richard and Dan Gallagher had bad days and did not place. We had expected a few points, at least."

## O's Slam Tigers

BALTIMORE (AP) — Ken Singleton hit a grand slam home run off the left field foul pole with two outs in the ninth inning, giving the Baltimore Orioles an 8-4 victory over the Detroit Tigers Saturday night.

The homer by Singleton, on a 1-2 pitch by reliever Jim Crawford, was his 17th in two seasons with Baltimore and the first he had hit with runners aboard.

Rookie Andres Mora singled to start the winning rally and stretched his hitting streak to nine consecutive games dating back to April 27. Pinch-runner Paul Blair was sacrificed to second and, after Reggie Jackson fouled out, two walks loaded the bases for Singleton.

Tony Muser knocked in three of Baltimore's runs with a first-inning sacrifice bunt and a two-run single in the third.

Rusty Staub drove in two Detroit runs with a sacrifice fly in the first

and a single in the third. Alex Johnson had four hits, including a triple for the Tigers, who lost their sixth in a row. And, Ron LeFlore went 2-for-4, extending his hitting streak to 24 games, longest in the majors this season.

Reliever Wayne Garland, 3-0, pitched the final 8½ innings for the Orioles, who have won nine of 16 games, including their last five straight. Baltimore has beaten Detroit 16 of 14 dating back to last June.

LeFlore was thrown out trying to steal third with two runners aboard and two outs in the ninth.

With one unearned run in the first inning, the Orioles picked up where they left off Friday night—when the Tigers presented them with seven unearned runs.

Detroit also made errors on the first two batters in the fourth inning, one an overthrow on a double play attempt.

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