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Highland Park's James Wins State's 'Greatest 2-Mile Run'

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Stride by stride . . . shoulder to shoulder . . . Sam James of Highland Park High and Dave Lewis of Grosse Pointe North dueled it out Saturday at old Central High in what many called "the greatest two-mile race ever seen in Michigan schoolboy track."

It was a race which featured a full day of regional qualifying which will send the top performers to the 71st annual state championship Saturday, June 5.

That means that James and Lewis will tangle once more in their prep careers.

James never led by more than five yards. He pulled into this lead with a quarter of a mile left, but Lewis came back at him to lose by a stride. James was clocked in 9:13.5, Lewis in 9:13.7. Most of the way it was shoulder to shoulder.

Grosse Pointe North edged Cass Tech, 48½-43, for the Class A team title, getting

first places from Don Wollenzin in the shot and discus, Bill Weidenbach's 4:19.3 mile, and a 1:57 half mile by Dan Beck. Cass won all three relays and was in the chase all the way.

CASS TECH, the defending state Class A girls champions, edged Central, 56½-55, as Josephine Hobbs, the ace sprinter from Central, winning the 100-yard dash in 10.9 seconds but losing the 220.

For nearly 20 years, Jack Cotton has ran track meets at Farmington High but Saturday was a sad day for the veteran athletic director.

Rex Cawley, the 1964 Olympic champion in the intermediate hurdles and Farmington's most noted track and field graduate, saw his field record in the 120-yard high hurdles go by the boards.

Gary Hicks of Bishop Borgess took three tenths of a second off the mark when he won the event in 14.1 seconds. **Redford High** won the team title with 42½ points and Bishop

Borgess captured the girls crown with 49 points.

Sharon Dreyer of Livonia Bentley took the 440-yard event in 58 seconds flat, Julie Boyles of Livonia Stevenson the two-mile in 11:53.4 and Ann Cwik of Bishop Borgess the low hurdles in 14.8.

Stanley Young and Brian Haughton led St. Martin DePorres to an easy victory in the Class D regional at Whitmore Lake. DePorres is the defending state champion in its division.

Young was caught in 9.9 seconds in winning the 100-yard dash while Haughton won the 220 in 22.6 and the quartermile in 49.5. John Wright of Ann Arbor St. Thomas turned in a 1:59.7 half mile.

DEARBORN HIGH finished 1-2-3 in the 880 out at Southgate Schafer and went on to the regional Class A title with 67 1-5 points. Mike Lancial of Taylor Center turned in a 4:27.9 mile.

The girls' title went to Trenton with 44 points and Diane

Simon of Lincoln Park was clocked in 12 minutes and 10 seconds in winning the two mile.

Jeffrey Hunter's double in the dashes (he won both the 100 and 220) led Benedictine High to the Class C title at Lutheran East. James Aldridge of Benedictine turned in a 1:56.3 half mile as three other runners broke 1:59.

Farmington Wins

Kevin Delp, a 16-year-old sophomore righthander at Farmington High, kept his team in the state tournament playoffs Saturday by pitching a no-hitter in blanking Walled Lake Central, 5-0, in a Class A Regional game. Delp faced only 22 batters over seven innings and struck out 10.

State Tourney

Inkster 5, Ypsilanti Lincoln 4, Garden City West 7, Livonia Bentley 3, Farmington 5, Walled Lake Central 0, Detroit Austin 7, Anchor Bay 4.

Other Games

Northville 6, North Farmington 5, Center Line St. Clement 9-5, Warren 0-3, West Bloomfield 4-1, Detroit Catholic Central 2-4.



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