GR Christian Runners 4th in State

By Jim Whymer

STURGIS - The Grand Rapids Christian High School Eagles accomplished their team goal, but South Christian's Brian Diemer came up a little short of his in the Class B state cross-country finals Saturday morning.

Christian finished in fourth place with 207 points, while Holly totaled 83 points for the state championship. Battle Creek Harper Creek was nearly 100 points behind Holly in second place with 182. Flint Ainsworth was third at 202 and Rockford captured fifth place with a 210.

Diemer, who was unbeaten and had won all season by at least 30 seconds, suffered his first loss to Dearborn Riverside's Gerry Donakowski, who along with Diemer broke the Green Valley Golf Course record.

 Donakowski, who didn't break 15:00 all season, ran away from Diemer in the last half mile of the individual race for a 14:57.8 clocking. The Dearborn Riverside senior was the defending Class B state champion and was determined to beat the Diemer, just a junior at South Christian.

"That was just too fast of a first mile. Brian was not use to such a fast pace early in the race. Donakowski was really fired up to win and it showed, as he ran 30 seconds faster then he did in last year's state finals," said South Christian Coach Paul Oosting.

Diemer, who trailed Donakowski for most of the race, finally moved out in front at the two-mile mark and looked like he was about to pull away, but lost the lead for good after about 100 yards.

"I think Brian was very nervous today and the entire week. Last year, as a 'sophomore, he was scared stiff and still placed 13th. I might have put too much

pressure on him, but he really wanted that No. 1 spot. He's a very competitive person and will be back," added Oosting.

Diemer's time of 15:09 was still better then Battle Creek Harper Creek's Dave Ball's 15:11.9 and New Baltimore Anchor Bay's Neal Toward's 15:15. They finished 1-2 in the team race.

Sparta's Dave Anderson took fifth place in the individual race with a 15:37. John Victor of Zeeland ran a 15:43 for sixth place, Mark Poelman of Rogers finished 10th, Jenison's Phil Walcott was 11th and Jerry Barnaby and Don Passenger of Caledonia placed 15th and 16th, respectively.

Grand Rapids Christian junior John Brink, out for cross-country for the first year, led the Eagles with an 11th place finish in the team race, Dave Muilenberg was 24th and Mike Kwantes 26th. However, after that, the 'Black Pack' was quite spread out.

Rockford, runnerup to Christian in the regional last week, had Scott Arthur in 16th place, Bryan Nevins 36th and John Rich 49th. Cedar Springs collected 299 points for 11th place.

"We are very satisfied with a fourth place finish as we were shooting for somewhere in the top five," said Christian Coach John Warners. "But I told our kids before the race that it would take a super effort from five guys and Holly sure got it. John Brink ran a super race today.

"Five of our kids are underclassmen. We'll get better."

Holly, which was ranked No.1 in the Class B polls, had runners finish fourth, seventh, 14th and 20th for the easy victory. Battle Creek Harper Creek was the surprise team in the runnerup spot after it had finished second in its regional behind Plainwell.

Wyoming Lee, behind junior Bill Bainbridge's 10th place finish, captured sixth place in the Class C state finals with a total of 167. DeWitt, which defeated the Rebels in the regional last weekend, won the team championship with 62 points.

DeWitt's Dave Wilson and Ron Hensley ran the entire three-mile course together, before Wilson won at the end with a 15:29.7. Clare was runnerup with 102 points and Breckenridge was third at

Lee, the O-K Blue's dual and conference meet champion, had Scott Holford in 22nd place, Jim Melinn (41st), Jody Lowing (46th) and Wendell Raliff (48th).

"DeWitt is just a super team. I had hoped we would get in the top five but some of our times just weren't really good. Bill Bainbridge did a strong job for us today and all season," said Lee Coach Art Kraai.

Middleville's Steve Habegger finished 10th in the individual race. Mike Winkle of Calvin Christian was 19th, Kelloggsville's Ken Porter and Rick Cline were 22nd and 23rd, respectively, Kevin Becker also of Middleville was 27th and Comstock Park's Bill Cohill ended in 34th place to lead the team runners.

CLASS A-D

Grand Blanc High School won the Class A state championship with 51 points to easily top Grosse Pointe North with 86 and Jackson with 165 Saturgay morning at Grand Rapids Indian Trails Golf course.

Holland's Frank Yarde place 13th in the individual race with a 15:22. East Kentwood's Jim Baker placed 27th. Creston's Scott Lillie was 39th and Union's Dave Wierenga 54th.

Mount Pleasant Sacred Heart and Akron-Fairbrove ended in a deadlock 46-46 in the Class D state finals also at Indian Trails, but the tie-breaker gave Mount Pleasant the team title.

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Team Finishers

Western Michigan 52 (defending champion), Bowling Green 68, Miami (O) 95, Eastern Michigan 119, Central Michigan 142, Ohio University 156, Ball State 159, Toledo 171, Northern Illinois 214, Kent State 226.

Individual Finishers

71. Dave Erdal (NIU) 31:53; 11. Ted Farmer (WMU) 31:55.

High School

STATE MEETS CLASS A **Team Scores**

Grand Blanc 51, Grosse Pointe North 6. Jackson 165, Royal Oak Kimball 200. M. Jackson 163. Royal Gex Kimball 203. Wayne Memorial 203. Filnt Kaarsley 209. Grand Haven 225. Dearborn Edsel 209. Grand Haven 225. Dearborn Edsel Ford 262. Northville 274. Royal Oek Dondero 278. Brighton 287. Portage Northern 309. Alpena 338. Warren Tower 348. Birmingham Brother Rice 351. Sterling Heights Stevenson 353. Gerden City East 364. Waterford Mott 367. Kalamazoo Loy Norrix 389, Farmington 420, Livonia Stevenson 456.

> Individual Results (Team Race)

1. Mark Mesler (Gd Blanc) 14:48.5: 2. Terry Doherty (Flint Kearsley) 14:49; 3. Rick Blaha (Wayme Memorial) 14:52; 4. Ed Hammer (GP North) 14:53; 5. Eric Henrickson (Port North) 14:57; 6. Al Stefanski (Gd Blanc) 15:00: 7. Doug Tolson (Wayne Memorial) 15:01; & Mark Devereaux (Jackson) 15:06; 9. Ron Lessard (Royal Oek Dondero) 15:08; 10. Mike Moore (Gd Blanc) 15:11; 11. Sleve Brandt (GP North) 15:12; 12. Mike White (Jackson) 15:15; 12. Dave Denis (GP North) 15:16; 14. Mike Lasley (Royal Oak Dondero) 15:17; 15. Tim Hinterman (Gd Blanc) 15:19.

> Individual Results (Individual Race)

1. Kurt Reynolds (Thurston) 14:47.3; 2. Jim Miller (Adrian) 14:52; 3. Phil Stevenson (St. Clair Shores Lakeshore) 14:52; 4. Kerry Barnett (Pontiac Central) 14:58; 5. Gordon Sanders (Clarkston) 15:00; 6. Kevin Tribbett (Battle ston) 15:00; 8. Kevin shooti (battle Creek Lakeview) 15:12; 7. Dennis Gil-bert (Owosso) 15:13; 8. Bob Church (Southfield) 15:14; 9. Joe Cotner (Bloomfield Hills Andover) 15:15; 10. Dean Johnston (Watterford Kettering) 15:16: 11. David Schrader (West Bloom field) 15:18; 12. Brian Hess (Thurston) 15:20: 13. Frank Yarde (Holland) 15:22; 14. Junior Sostenas (Lansing Eastern) 15:28; 15. Larry Genninger (Muskegon Mona Shores) 15:29.

> CLASS B Team Scores

Holly 83, Battle Creek Harper Creek 182, Flint Ainsworth 202, Grand Rapids Christian 207, Rockford 210, New Baltimore Anchor Bay 212, Big Rapids 258. Jackson Lumen Christi 259, Plainwell 274. Otsego 275, Cedar Springs 299, Cadillac 300, Holf 303, Airport 304, Saginaw Eisenhower 304, Ludington 312, Marshall 314, Troy 315, Dearborn Divine Child 353, Cherry Hill 390, Bishop Gal-

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rioge) 15:57; 8. Mark Hoffman (Breck-enridge) 15:57; 9. Milke Fisner (Clinton) 15:59; 10. Bill Beinbridge (Wyoming Lee) 16:00; 11. Michael LaFleur (Capac) 16:00; 12. Dwight Sargent (Jackson) 16:01; 12. Kelth Meure (Man-chester) 16:00; 14. Greg Barnett (Mason County Central) 16:00; 15. Mark Cronk-ite (Breckenridge) 16:05.

Individual Results
(Individual Race)

1. John Henning (Cabrini) 15:21.3; 2.
Dan Shameyek (Freeland) 15:29; 3.
Martin Schulist (Whitehell) 15:37; 4.
Dale Farrant (Bath) 15:38; 5. John
Galarno (Carrollton) 15:42; 6. Mike
Malke (White Cloud) 15:43; 7. John
Darge (Atherton) 15:44; 8. Dale Hool
(Mayville) 15:44; 9. Francis Burch
(Whitehell) 15:54; 10. Steve Habegger
(Middleville) 15:54; 11. Den Morton
(Union City) 15:57; 12. Max Curtiss
(Shepard) 15:57; 13. Ken Jabe (Flat
Rock) 16:01; 15. Rick Hunter (Freeland)
16:03.

CLASS D Team Scores

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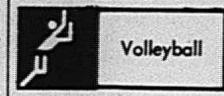
Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart 46, AkronFairgrove 46, Concord 104, Southfield
Christian 144, Potterville 157, FultonMiddleron 163, Bear Lake 169, Mancelona 197, Ann Arbor Greenhills 202, Lansing Christian 213, Ann Arbor Gabriel
Richard 230, Kingsley 306.

Individual Results

(Team Race)
1. Jerry Curlis (Akron-Fair) 15:41.3;
2. Bob Duerkson (Mancelona) 15:46; 3.
Jim Hubbard (Concord) 16:03; 4. Phil Befford (Akron-Fair) 16:07; 5. Bob Utterbach (Mt. Pleas Sac Heart) 16:10; 6. Dave Watters (Mt. Pleas Sac Heart) 7. Dennis Cruz (Mt. Pleas Sac Heart) 16:13; B. Rusty Schaefer (Mt. Pleas Sac Heart) 16:15; 9. Jim Slavik (Fulton-Midd) 16:20; 10. Bill Hubbard (Concord) 16:24: 11. Kyle Detmers (Akron-Fair) 16:27: 12. Tim Steffek (Akron-Fair) 16:28: 13. Bill VanVonn (Ann Arbor Gab Richard) 16:29; 14. Kim Dahlgren (Pot-terville) 16:31; 15. Paul Ziehm (Bear Lake) 16:32.

> Individual Results (Individual Race)

 Randy Perkins (Webberville)
 S:22.3; Rod Brevard (Det East Catholic) 15:56; Matt Valding (Det Country Day) 16:11; 4. Roger Smith (Litchfield) 16:22; 5. Brad McPherson (Morrice) 16:28; 6. Dwayne Bass (Mc-Bain Northern Christian) 16:41; 7. Ralph Livingston (Alanson) 16:42; 8. Tom Mulially (Flint Holy Rosary) 16:44: 9. Jeff Schrader (Centerville) 16:44; 10. Spencer Balley (Morrice) 16:47; 11. Kurt Wilkinson (Walkerville) 12. Dale Wiers (Allendale) 16:52; 13. Dan Raymond (Pittsford) 16:55; 14. Randy Payne (Walkerville) 16:55; 15. John DeGroot (Dansville) 16:57.



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Individual Results (Team Race)

1. Dave Ball (Harper Creek) 15:11.9; 2. Neal Toward (Anchor Bay) 15:15; 3. Mark Smith (Cadillac) 15:29; 4. Jeff Lewis (Holly) 15:35; 5. Dan Kelsh (Big Rapids) 15:39; 6. Mark Biodger (Marshall) 15:40; 7. Bill Lowande (Holly) 15:41; 8. Al Ross (Ludington) 15:46; 9. Mike Johnson (Ainsworth) 15:50; 10. Mike Mann (Cedar Springs) 15:51; 11. John Brink (Grand Rapids Christian) 15:51; 12. Paul Peterson (Ludington) 15:53; 13. Dave Simpson (Eisenhower) 15:56; 14. Larry Davidson (Holly) 15:59; 15. Matt Sliva (Anchor Bay) 15:59.

Individual Results (Individual Race)

1. Gerry Donakowski (Dearborn Riverside) 14:57.8; 2. Brian Diemer (South Christian) 15:09: 3. Tom Fountain (Mount Pleasant) 15:25; 4, Kyle Spann (Bullock Creek) 15:34: 5. Dave Anderson (Sparta) 15:37; 6. John Victor (Zeeland) 15:43; 7. Kurt Mast (Holland Christian) 15:45; 8. Ray McEwen (Schafer) 15:45; 9. Dan Bilbrey (New Boston Huron) 15:45: 10. Mark Poelman (Wyoming Rogers) 15:50; 11, Phil Walcott (Jenison) 15:50; 12. Pete Markel (Marine City) 15:52: 13. John Foss (Delton Kellogg) 15:52; 14. Don McCall (Pinckney) 15:52: 15. Jerry Barnaby (Caledonia) 15:53.

CLASS C Team Results

DeWitt 62, Clare 102, Breckenridge 111, St. Louis 116, Edwardsburg 163, Wyoming Lee 167, Capac 218, Mattawan 263, Westphalia 274, Clinton 282, Mason County Central 290, Shrine 302, East Jackson 309, Mariette 315, Charleviox 326, Manchester 331, Bangor 364, Oakridge 390.

Individual Results (Team Race)

1. Dave Wilson (DeWitt) 15:29.7; 2. Ron Hensley (DeWitt) 15:29.7; 3. Phil Rober (St. Louis) 15:37; 4. Dave Foster (Clare) 15:42; 5. Roland Hensley (De-Witt) 15:43; 6. Perry Henscke (Mattawan) 15:49; 7. Leo Kennedy (Brecken-