

ATHENS' 4-SPORT EVENT

Relays run the gamut

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They call it the Athens High Relays, but what transpired Saturday out at John R and Wattles Road looked more like a gigantic May field day.

The Athens Boosters Club came up with several thousand dollars to put on a track meet for both boys' and girls' teams, a baseball tournament, a softball meet and a seven-team tennis meet for some 1,200 high school athletes from Oakland and Macomb counties.

"This is the fourth year we've staged our relays," said meet manager Ralph Kramer, "and it was our finest day from a weather standpoint."

The Booster Club doled out 450 medals and 35 trophies to the winners who came from scattered sectors.

Unbeaten Harper Woods High, Michigan's No. 1 Class C baseball team, chalked up two more victories to run its streak to 14 straight and claim the title with a 15-2 rout of Milford Lakeland in the finals.

(If you want to witness high school baseball at its best, plan on seeing the Harper Woods-Grosse Pointe North game Monday night at 7:30 p.m. at Harp-

er Woods. North is 13-1 on the season and rated No. 1 in Class A.)

Warren Mott captured five first places, and set two records, in winning in boys' track with $48\frac{1}{2}$ points to 36 for second-place Sterling Heights.

Mott set a record of 10:47.4 in the distance medley with Rick Stone, Jon Fralick, Dale Martin and Tom Seidenwand carrying the baton. Mott won the four mile relay in the record time of 18.43.9 with a foursome of Dale Alexander, Kevin Kushner, Stone and Seidenwand.

Athens earned the girls' track title, barely edging Milford, 38-36, by winning the 440-yard relay, final event on the program. The Athens foursome of Julie Norris, Judy Severson, Molly Acton and Lamona Dorsey, covered the distance in 50.2 seconds.

Lori Moehring pitched a four-hitter in the championshp softball game and drove in the game's only run to give Athens a 1-0 victory over Ferndale.

Athens edged Mott, 16-13, for the tennis title with George Huang of Athens defeating Tom Kaylor of Royal Oak Kimball in No. 1 singles, and Terry Bates and Fred Gibson of Mt. Clemens conquering Bob Todd and Mike Loprete of Kimball for the No. 1 doubles title.



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