

## Central track team wins meet at WMU

**KALAMAZOO** — Brad Horton ran on three winning relay teams, Darin Canales tied a meet record and Battle Creek Central High's track team placed in 11 of 13 events Saturday as the Bearcats won the Class A championship of the Southwestern Michigan Indoor Invitational at Western Michigan University's Rpad Fieldhouse.

Central amassed 66 points, 18½ more than runnerup Kalamazoo Loy Norrix.

"That's the first time we've won it in the 10 years I've been at Central," said Ron Densborn, coach of the Bearcats.

Horton ran the anchor leg on the victorious sprint medley and 800-meter relays, and the third leg of the winning distance medley relay.

He also anchored the 1600-meter relay team, which came in second.

Horton teamed with Randy DePalma, Tony Dozier and Jerome Harris to win the sprint medley in 2:33.6; with Dozier, Scott Morris and Eric Dudley to win the 800 in

1:34.7; and with Ken Jones, Harris and DePalma to win the distance medley (800-400-1200-1600) in 10:44.3.

DePalma, Jones, Dozier and Horton completed the 1600 in 3:30.6.

Canales equaled the meet record of 6.47 seconds in winning the 55-meter dash. Dudley came in second.

Jones and Ron Mathieson placed third in the 400 (54.6) and 1600 (4:39), respectively.

Derrick Clayton came in fourth in the high jump by clearing 6-1 and Randy Mitchell was fourth in the shot put with a throw of 45-10.

Nick Bradley and Duane Simpson were fifth in the long jump and pole vault, respectively. Bradley leaped 19-11 and Simpson cleared 10-6.

Kevin LaRochelle of Springfield finished second in the 55-meter dash and third in the long jump in the Class C-D division of the meet.

LaRochelle's time in the 55-meter dash was 6.71 seconds. His long-jump distance was 19-11¼.



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