

OUR PLACES WITHOUT LAFAIE AND SUMNER
 (WAS 1 minute faster than B. J. Jester)

IF We were
 in S.E.C.

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| 1 Saline | 50 |
| 2 CHELSEA | 83 |
| 3 LINCOLN | 88 |
| 4 PINCKNEY | 94 |
| 5 NOVI | 125 |
| 6 MILAN | 136 |
| 7 Dexter | 152 |
| 8 Tecumseh | 157 |

Most of
 these teams
 will be at
 our Regional

Boys' Cross Country
SEC Championships
 5,000 meters
 at Carr Park, Manchester
OVERALL LEAGUE POINTS:
 Saline 24, Chelsea 20, Lincoln 14,
 Milan 10, Pinckney 10, Dexter 6, To-
 cumseh 0.
TEAM SCORES: Saline 49, Chal-
 sea 74, Lincoln 81, Pinckney 86, Mil-
 an 115, Dexter 132, Tecumseh 143.
TOP FINISHERS: 1 - Darrel
 Zeck (S), 16:08; 2 - Tim Bowdish
 (C), 16:37; 3 - Rob Vedder (P),
 16:57; 4 - Ty Chatell (M), 17:09; 5
 - Mark Gibb (D), 17:22; 6 - Roger
 Blevins (L), 17:28; 7 - Mike Craw-
 ford (L), 17:28; 8 - Jared Bradley
 (C), 17:34; 9 - Kevin Karr (S),
 17:53; 10 - Andrew Howe (P),
 17:53; 11 - Dennis Harwood (L),
 17:53; 12 - Mark Pincheon (S),
 17:53; 13 - Joe Foster (S), 17:54; 14
 - Liam Lavary (S), 18:03; 15 -
 Dan McInmouth (P), 18:12;
 16 - Jeff Wharton (C), 18:17; 17
 - Jason Bolduc (M), 18:18; 18 -
 Brian Starkov (S), 18:19; 19 - Greg
 Gates (L), 18:20; 20 - Jason Crof-
 field (C), 18:23; 21 - Craig Badala-
 monti (P), 18:26; 22 - Dan
 Drackney (T), 18:27; 23 - Bill
 Sherman (S), 18:30; 24 - Mark Pol-
 ling (T), 18:33; 25 - Chris Tilton
 (T), 18:36; 26 - Peter Ohojnicky
 (M), 18:38; 27 - Jim Smith (D),
 18:39; 28 - John Callan (C), 18:43;
 29 - Alan Kuhl (C), 18:47; 30 -
 Kyle Kammlah (C), 18:50.

LOCAL SPORTS

**Saline, Chelsea
 run away with
 league titles**

MANCHESTER - Saline's boys and Chelsea's girls successfully defended their Southeastern Conference cross country titles Tuesday as dual standings proved prophetic in the league meet.

Both squads went unbeaten in duals and breezed to firsts at Manchester's Carr Park, the league's "neutral" post-season site.

In the boys' race, Saline had 49 points to Chelsea's 74. Darrel Zeck defended his SEC individual crown with a 16:08, remaining unbeaten for the fall. The Hornets' other scorers came in at either 17:53 or 17:54 as the No. 9-13 finishers were a second apart.

Tim Bowdish of Chelsea finished second in 16:37. "Both Zeck and Bowdish ran extremely fine times...30 seconds faster than what they did on this same course earlier in the year," said Bulldog coach Pat Clarke.

Other top-10 all-leaguers were Pinckney's Rob Vedder and Andrew Howe, Milan's Ty Chatell, Dexter's Mark Gibb, Lincoln's Roger Blevins and Mike Crawford, Chelsea's Jared Bradley and Saline's Kevin Karr.

OUR TIMES

(where we would have
 placed in the SEC)

| KVC | | SEC |
|-----|---------------|-----|
| 33 | Huotari 17:56 | 14 |
| 37 | Cowden 18:21 | 20 |
| 41 | McBride 18:39 | 27 |
| 42 | Dillon 18:43 | 28 |
| 45 | Milam 18:47 | 29 |
| 46 | Lonski 18:48 | 30 |

Lions too deep for Novi harriers

NOVI — Bill Huotari's sixth-place finish didn't get Novi very far against South Lyon, the last Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) team on the Wildcat schedule. The Lions swept the first five places to defeat the Wildcats 15-46 last week.

But a pair of lopsided non-conference victories in the previous two weeks over Oak Park and Livonia Clarenceville took at least some of the sting out of the Wildcats' 2-6 dual-meet season.

"Once we get outside our conference, we can push people around," commented Coach Bob Smith. "Oak Park won its league championship and we just thrashed them."

But it was the win over Clarenceville that made Novi's season. After five KVC losses, the Wildcats were starved for a victory and they feasted on the Trojans.

Huotari breezed to top honors with his best Cass Benton time this season, 18:00. Craig Cowden finished third in 18:53, Mike LaHaie fourth in 18:57, Alex Milam fifth in 19:00, Tim McBride sixth in 19:04, Kent Lunski seventh in 19:23 and Paul Sumner eighth in 19:30.

"I like the way LaHaie has been com-

ing on," Smith said of the sophomore. I think Mike Dillon (also a soph) is going to look very good for us, too, when he gets over the bug that's going around."

Dillon finished 11th in 20:05, leading Greg Kapp (13th, 20:32), Jeff Kewack (14th, 20:54), Mike Ducker (15th, 21:23) and Chris Carruthers (17th, 22:04).

Against South Lyon, Huotari was 17 seconds out of fifth place — not a bad showing against the strong Lion team. Despite their 3-3 record, Smith feels South Lyon has a chance at winning the KVC meet this week.

"With a few breaks, South Lyon could

have been undefeated this year," he noted. "Milford and Brighton were very fortunate to get past them."

Huotari ran 18:18 over South Lyon's flat but tortuous course. Cowden was at his heels in seventh place (18:20). Thereafter, Novi dropped off a bit. LaHaie finished 11th (19:01), Milam was 13th (19:10), Lunski 15th (19:15), McBride 19th (19:33) and Mike Dillon 20th (19:45).

Rounding out the Wildcats' contingent were Bill James who turned in a much-improved 20:11 clocking. follow-

ed by Paul Sumner, Mike Ducker, Jeff Kewack, Chris Carothers and Kelly Rende.

This week, Novi gears up for the Class B Regional at Hudson Mills Metropark and actually stands a good chance of placing higher than at this week's conference meet, run after press deadline yesterday. "We're looking forward to the regional," Smith said. "We know Hartland will be strong, but I think we have an outside chance of one of our guys doing something really exciting."