

Blue Jays soar, await state-meet test

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each won two events. The Lakers took the 3,200 and distance-medley relays while the Colts took the shot put and 6,400-meter relays.

Behind the running of Tim Moore, Brian Sowa, Marc Sano and Jeff Nagy, West Bloomfield won the 3,200-meter relay by more than two seconds over Cranbrook (8:12.1 to 8:14.8). The Laker

foursome of Ross Worley, John Rachel, Moore and Sowa was again good enough to finish ahead of Cranbrook to win the distance medley.

"I was surprised. We didn't even try to score a lot of points in this meet," said West Bloomfield's veteran coach Lee Averill. "I'm happy. I didn't really pay much attention to what was happening.

"The (event) we really tried to win

was the last one (1,600)," he said. "I didn't expect us to win the other ones."

Troy's wins were by the the strength team of Jim Edwards, Alex Baker and Charles Bartz in the shot put relay and the distance team of Bill Robbins, Dean Francis, Matt Fogo and Scott Johnson in the 6,400-meter relay.

Andover, Cranbrook, Seaholm and Rochester were the meet's other winning teams.

SEAHOLM'S team of Dave Appleford, Bob Bird and Doug Summers took the pole vault relay and Rochester's discus team of Tom Dempster, Todd Tarantino and Brad Audet won with a total distance of 432-feet, 5-inches. The Falcons entered just four persons and finished third in the other two events in which they were entered.

Cranbrook's team of Noel Dennis,

Mark Bedford, Howard Davidson and Scott Lebo won the sprint medley. The Cranes, who won by two points over Southfield last spring (74-72), finished second in two other events.

Andover's lone win came as darkness fell on the evening's final event — the 1,600-meter relay. The team of Tom Yaczik, Keith Terry, Craig Johnson and John Artz won by just six-tenths of a second over Southfield (3:27.1 to 3:27.7).

"It was a a nice meet," said Ambrose, for whom the relays is named. "The weather was a bit cold, but it could have been worse."

This year's meet marked a renewed effort by the Eccentric Newspapers to help support the area's track and field athletes. Medals and ribbons — donated by the Eccentric — were given to athletes finishing among the first six places in each event.

1984 Kermit N. Ambrose-Eccentric Newspapers Track and Field Relays (at West Bloomfield High School)

Team standings: 1. Southfield, 82 points (meet record, breaking Troy's old mark of 76 set in 1982); 2. West Bloomfield, 57; 3. Bloomfield Hills Andover, 54; 4. Troy, 46; 5. Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, 45; 6. Troy Athens, 30; 7. Birmingham-Seaholm, 24½; 8. Southfield-Lathrup, 21; 9. Rochester, 16; 10. North Farmington, 14; 11. Birmingham Groves, 7½; 12. Detroit Country Day School, 4; 13. Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 2.

Individual results:

Pole vault relay: 1. Seaholm, 31-feet (Dave Appleford, Bob Bird, Doug Summers); 2. Athens, 24-8; 3. West Bloomfield, 23-0; 4. Cranbrook, 22-0; 5. Lahser, 21-6; 6. Southfield, 11-0.

Discus relay: 1. Rochester, 432-feet, 5-inches (Tom Dempster, Todd Tarantino, Brad Audet); 2. Troy, 394-8; 3. Southfield, 390-4; 4. Andover, 359-2; 5. Cranbrook, 358-3; 6. West Bloomfield, 354-1.

Shot put relay: 1. Troy, 140-feet, 6¼-inches (Jim Edwards, Alex Baker, Charles Bartz); 2.

Southfield, 137-5¼; 8. Rochester, 136-8¼; 4. West Bloomfield, 127-½; 5. Cranbrook, 122-7¼; 6. North Farmington, 120-10½.

High jump relay: 1. Southfield, 17-feet, 7-inches (Al Miller, Reggie Slappey, Joe Peoples); 2. Andover, 16-0; 3. North Farmington, 15-9; 4. Athens, 11-8; 5. (tie) West Bloomfield, Troy, 10-6.

Long jump relay: 1. Southfield, 60-feet, 5½-inches (Ken Hollie, Carlos O'Banion, Jerome Greear); 2. West Bloomfield; 3. Athens; 4. Andover; 5. North Farmington; 6. Troy.

800-meter relay: 1. Southfield, 1:32.2 (Darryl Sailor, Mel Peoples, Garrett Dunn, Greg Towns); 2.

Andover, 1:33.58; 3. West Bloomfield, 1:33.7; 4. Troy, 1:33.8; 5. (tie) Groves, Seaholm, 1:38.0.

6,400-meter relay: 1. Troy, 18:50.8 (Bill Robbins, Dean Francis, Matt Fogo, Scott Johnson); 2. Lathrup, 19:10.8; 3. Seaholm, 19:17.9; 4. Cranbrook, 19:57.8; 5. Athens, 20:08.4; 6. Southfield, 20:10.3.

Sprint medley relay: 1. Cranbrook, 3:40.3 (Noel Dennis, Mark Bedford, Howard Davidson, Scott Lebo); 2. Southfield, 3:41.7; 3. West Bloomfield, 3:45.9; 4. Seaholm, 3:48.6; 5. Andover, 3:53.5; 6. Country Day, 3:57.4.

3,200-meter relay: 1. West Bloomfield, 8:12:1

(Tim Moore, Brian Sowa, Marc Sano, Jeff Nagy); 2. Cranbrook, 8:14.8; 3. Athens, 8:23.9; 4. Andover, 8:49.3; 5. Seaholm, 8:53.7; 6. Lathrup, 8:57.0.

Shuttle hurdle relay: 1. Southfield, 1:00.7 (Joe Peoples, Jerome Moorer, Al Miller, Garrett Dunn); 2. Andover, 1:06.2; 3. Cranbrook, 1:07.4; 4. North Farmington, 1:08.6; 5. Athens, 1:08.8; 6. Country Day, 1:09.3.

Heavy man's relay (non-scoring event): 1. Seaholm, 1:38.7; 2. North Farmington, 1:41.6; 3. Rochester, 1:42.1; 4. Andover, 1:43.1; 5. Cranbrook, 1:49.3; 6. Country Day, 1:52.4.

Distance medley relay: 1. West Bloomfield,

11:09.9 (Ross Worley, John Rachel, Tim Moore, Brian Sowa); 2. Cranbrook, 11:11.6; 3. Troy, 11:15.9; 4. Lathrup, 11:20.4; 5. Andover, 11:24.5; 6. Seaholm, 11:25.2.

400-meter relay: 1. Southfield, 44.3 (Al Jones, Mel Peoples, Jerome Greear, Carlos O'Banion); 2. Lathrup, 45.2; 3. (tie) Groves, Andover, 45.8; 5. Country Day, 46.8; 6. North Farmington, 46.9.

1,600-meter relay: 1. Andover, 3:27.1 (Tom Yaczik, Keith Terry, Craig Johnson, John Artz); 2. Southfield, 3:27.7; 3. Troy, 3:28.4; 4. West Bloomfield, 3:28.5; 5. Athens, 3:31.7; 6. Cranbrook, 3:39.7.