



STATE CHAMPION — Bronson's Dawn Schottenloher won the 100-meter high hurdles in the Class C state finals Saturday at Bangor, as she clocked a 14.82. The Viking senior just missed out on another first in the 300 low hurdles, as her time of 46.3 was just .1 off the winning time.

Schottenloher, U.C. girls shine in finals

BANGOR — Bronson High senior Dawn Schottenloher won the state Class C championship in the 100-meter high hurdles Saturday to pace all area participants in various track meets.

Union City's girls' team also had a banner day by placing fifth overall in Class C with 32 points. Detroit Country Day won with 71 points and Bronson was sixth with 26.

"The kids did a good job," Charger coach Val Rossman said of her team, which saw 10 people garner all-state recognition. "We thought we'd be in the top 10, if not the top five at the start of the year. The kids are pretty proud of it."

SCHOTTENLOHER WON the 100 with a 14.82 clocking and just missed out on another state title in the 300 low hurdles when her second-place time of 46.3 was just .1 off the winning time of Morley-Stanwood's Stacy Dukes.

Melanie Chard sparked Union City's girls by placing third in both the 100 and 300 hurdle events. Chard clocked a 15.42 in the 100 high hurdles and a 47.17 in the 300 lows. She also ran a leg on both the 800 (1:47.17) and 1600 (4:09.62) relay teams, which placed third and fourth respectively. Competing on those relay teams besides Chard was Annette Olmsted, Nikki Fraley and Wendy Fry.

Union City's 400 relay team of Olmsted, Fry, Tammy Alwood and Renee Palmatier placed second at

51.65. Cassopolis won the event in 50.51.

The Chargers final place finisher was Becky Kincaid in the shot put, as she came in eighth with a put of 35-feet, 2¾-inches.

BESIDES SCHOTTENLOHER, Bronson saw Kim Clover place fourth in the 400 (1:00.78) and its 800 relay team was sixth (1:49.01).

Connie Scott keyed Quincy by tying with three others for second place in the high jump at 5-2. Kelli Michael placed seventh in the 100 high hurdles (15.93), Dawn Russell was seventh in the 400 (1:01.78), and the Orioles 1600 relay team was eighth (4:12.44) to round out Quincy's placers.

Bronson's Jesse McGuire was the only boy to place in the Class C state meet. The senior was second in the 1600 (4:19.05) and fifth in the 3200 (9:51.16), an event he had won the last two years. Jeff Barnett of Mason County Central won both events plus the 800 as well. Barnett's time in the 1600 was 4:18.16.

In the Class B girls' state finals at Jackson Northwest, Coldwater's Jill Strawser placed fifth in the 1600 with a time of 5:19.24. Sharon Kinsler of Saginaw MacArthur won in 5:13.7. Flint Beecher won with 42 points and the Lady Cards were 50th with four.

In the Class D boys' state finals at Hillsdale College, Tekonsha's 1600 relay team placed seventh at 3:34.0.

Schottenloher wins title

It was the ladies' day to shine at the various state track meets on Saturday, at least as far as area schools were concerned.

Area girls bagged the only individual titles in Class B and C competition.

One girls team that wasn't doing much celebrating though was the much heralded Battle Creek Central squad, which didn't have a single place finisher at the Class A Meet in Flint.

Two of the winners came from the Class B Meet at Jackson County Western.

Tammy Bryans of Hastings won the Class B 100-meter dash championship with a time of 12.55, and Albion's 400 relay team of Shasta Mace, Jessica Gamble, Paula Langston and Leslie Spicer won in 49.91.

Dawn Schottenholer of Bronson won the 100 intermediate hurdles with a time of 14.82 in the Class C meet at Bangor.

In Class A, Battle Creek Central's Darnel Drain was eighth in the 200 dash to earn a medal, and was ninth in the 100, but didn't get a medal.

In Class B, Lakeview's Jim Wallace was fourth in the high jump (6-foot-7) and was fifth in the long jump (21-5½). Wallace was state runnerup in the high jump last year.

Other Class B place-finishers were: Sturgis' Teresa Wood, second in high jump and seventh in 100 intermediate hurdles; Marshall's Sara

Reichert, third in the 400; Sturgis' Dan Bright, fourth in the discus and eighth in the shot put; Sturgis' Diane Grant, fourth in the shot put; Coldwater's Jill Strawser, fifth in the 1,600; Albion's Langston, fifth in the long jump; Hastings' Kristin Lyons, fifth in the 100 intermediate hurdles; Gull Lake's Rhonda Wenzel, eighth in the 1,600 run; Gull Lake's Stosh Powell, sixth in the 800; Albion's Spicer, seventh in the long jump and 100; Sturgis' 1,600 relay team was seventh; Hastings' Wayne Oom, seventh in the 3,200; and Tiffany Dees, eighth in the 100.

Other Class C place-finishers were: Homer's Kyle Renfrow, fourth in the discus; Galesburg-Augusta's Rory Stace, sixth in the long jump; Galesburg-Augusta's 400 relay was seventh; Union City's Becki Kincaid, eighth in shot put; Quincy's Connie Scott, tied for second in high jump; Bellevue's Lisa Southern, seventh in 100 and eighth in the 200; Union City's Melanie Chard, third in the 100-300 hurdles; Quincy's Kelli Michaels, seventh in the 100 hurdles; Union City's 400 relay was second, was third in the 800 and was fourth in the 1,600; Bellevue's 800 relay was fourth; Bronson's 800 relay was sixth; Bronson's Kim Clover, fourth in the 400; Quincy's Dawn Russell, seventh in the 400; Olivet's Karyn Kuerbitz, eighth in the 300 hurdles; and Quincy's 1,600 relay was eighth.