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3 runners in national 1,500 finals

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PHILADELPHIA, Pa. - "The kids are holding up well."

That's what Coach Bryan Westfield of the Ann Arbor Track Club had to say after the first of three days of competition of the National Youth Track and Field Championships at heralded Franklin Field, here Friday.

"It's going to be a long three days," added Westfield. "The heat is bad, there are a lot of activities due to the Constitution celebration."

Three of his youngest athletes qualified into the finals of the 1,500 meters. Knute Hill and Bridgette

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Mann both made it into their respective 11-12 division, while Eric Waters made it in the 10-under group.

In the 15-16 girls, the 1,600-meter relay of Diane Laurin, Psaha Luke, Sheila Rowry, and Nicole Franklin were clocked in 4:05.68 to make the semi's while Rowry made it to the 100-meter low hurdle semi's in 15.20.

In 17-18 girls, Michele Kennedy ran the 100 lows in 15.14 and Tracy Boudreau the 800 meters in 2:17.69 as both advanced to semis. The only one to make in two events was Crystal Braddock at 25.11 in the 200 and 12.06 in the 100.