

# Northern captures Ashley Relays

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Pontiac Northern set a pair of meet records and racked up six first place finishes as the Huskies pulled a mild upset by winning the 11-team Waldo Ashley Relays Saturday at Waterford Mott High.

Northern finished with 100 points and was followed by Milford, which finished second with 75 and Pontiac Central, the defending champion which fell to third with 94 points. Clarkston took fourth with 73 and Waterford Kettering was fifth with 48.

"Our guys went out there and as always, we try and do the best we can," Northern coach Jim Nelson said. "These guys are really improving every time we go out."

"We got good performances from (Damon) Gandy and we got an excellent performance from Jamell Humphrey."

Indeed, Humphrey is only a sophomore but is rounding out to be one of the top hurdlers in Oakland County.

He won the 110-meter highs (15.0) and set a meet record in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles (38.5).

Gandy took first in the 100 (11.3), long jump (21-10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ) and joined Humphrey on the winning 600-meter relay which clocked meet-record 3:23.2.

If any team was the meet favorite it was defending champion Central. But the Chiefs let the meet slip away. Mike Turner, who had the county's second-best performance in the 110-meter highs, tripped and failed to finish. The Chiefs flubbed a handoff in the 400-meter relay and was nipped by Clarkston in that event.

"He (Michael) was out in

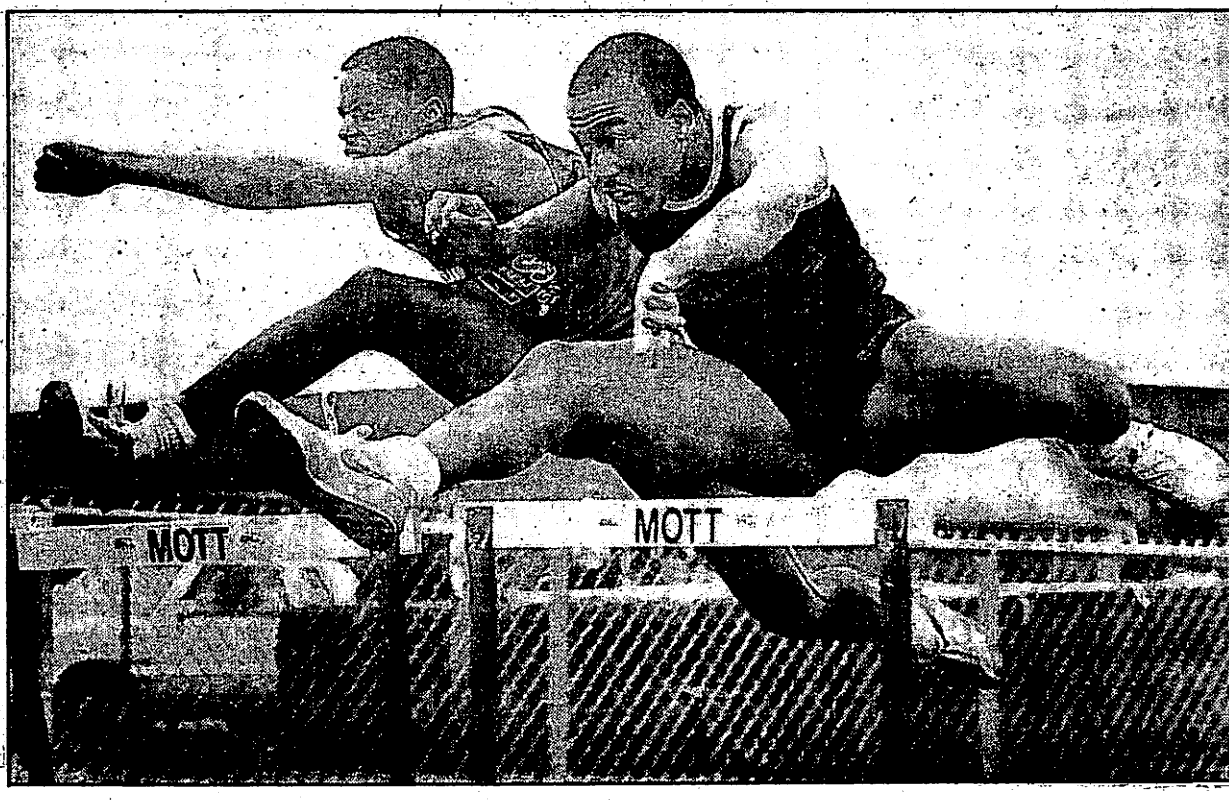


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Pontiac Central's Jason Webber (right) tries to get ahead of Hartland's Ira Edwards in the shuttle hurdle relay

front, then he hit (a hurdle) and came down wrong," Central coach Dave Edwards said.

Still, Turner took second in the 300-meter hurdles and ran a leg on the meet-record setting shuttle hurdle relay team along with Gary Flanigan, who was second in the 110-meter hurdles.

Central took first in the sprint medley as Spencer Dobbins, Eldren Milton, Tracy Cogdill and Eric Thompson combined to run 2:30.1 for the distance.

Northern's frontline track men can produce in the bigger meets but the Huskies are vulnerable in dual meets.

"We can get our first places,

but we just don't have the depth to get those second or third places," Nelson said.

There were other notable performances.

Walled Lake Western's Brian Grosso, perhaps the nation's top prep distance runner, quietly ran a 9:09.3 in the 3200-meter run and anchored the Warriors' victorious distance medley relay squad. Grosso finished more than 200 meters ahead of Milford's Tom Carney, who was second in 9:47.9. His 3,200-meter time is believed to be the fastest outdoor performance in the state so far this season.

Carney also joined John

Boos, John Fundukian and Carl Taylor to capture the 6400-meter relay.

Clarkston's Jody Lueck leaped 6-6 to win the high jump and join an elite crew of county jumpers to clear that height. He also finished second in the long jump.

Waterford Kettering's Eric Kelly took first in the shot put but yielded to Clarkston's J.J. Price, who won the discus with a county-best 157-10 effort. Kelly was second at 147-8.

Clarkston's 400-meter relay quartet of Brett Kinzler, Eric Becker, Dean Davis and Jeff Shupe won that event in 45.1 seconds.

## Fortunate Warriors share relays crown with Dearborn

A bit of good fortune for Brother Rice and misfortune for two other teams combined to help give the Warriors a share of the Brother Rice Relays title

Saturday at Brother Rice High. Dearborn, which tied for first in the meet with Rice with 34 points, impeded another runner during the relay and the sec-

ond place team's (Divine Child) anchor leg tossed the baton. Each action earned a disqualification for both teams, allowing Rice to move up from fourth to

second place in the mile relay behind winner Oak Park. Divine Child finished second with 33 points and Bloomfield Hills Lahser was third with 29.

# PRE SCOREBOARD

## Boys Track

### ASHLEY RELAYS

(at Waterford Mott)

TEAM SCORES — 1. Pontiac Northern 100, 2. Millford 95, 3. Pontiac Central 94, 4. Clarkson 77, 5. Keffering 48, 6. Walled Lake Western 40, 7. (tie) Harland and Lake Orion 14, 9. Mott 11, 10. Avondale 4, 11. Walled Lake Central 2.

### INDIVIDUALS

100 METERS — 1. Damon Gandy (PN) 11.3, 2. Eldren Millon (PC) 11.6; 110 HURDLES — 1. Jamell Humphrey (PN) 15.0, 2. Gary Flanigan (PC) 15.4; 300 HURDLES — 1. Jamell Humphrey (PN) 38.5 (meet record), 2. Mike Turner (PC) 39.1; 3200 — 1. Brian Grosso (WLW) 9:09.3, 2. Tom Carney (M) 9:47.9; DISCUS — 1. J.J. Price (C) 157-10, 2. Eric Kelly (WK) 147-8; SHOT PUT — 1. Eric Kelly (WK) 51-1, 2. Dan Lemanski (M) 47-5; POLE VAULT — Rob Bockelman (M) 12-2, 2. Joe Nuffing (H) 11-10; LONG JUMP — 1. Damon Gandy (PN) 21-10 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 2. Jody Lueck (C) 20-10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; HIGH JUMP — 1. Jody Lueck (C) 6-6, 2. Reggie Shaw (PN) 6-4; 400 RELAY — 1. Clarkson (Brett Kinzler, Eric Becker, Dean Davis, Jeff Shupe) 45.1, 2. Pontiac Central 45.3; 1600 RELAY — Millard (John Boos, Carl Taylor, John Fundakian, Tom Carney) 48:44.2, 2. Pontiac Central 18:51.0; SPRINT MEDLEY — Pontiac Central (Spencer Dobbins, Milton, Tracy Cogdill, Eric Thompson) 2:30.1, 2. Pontiac Northern 2:34.0; MIDDLE DISTANCE RELAY — 1. Pontiac Northern (Eusebe Samuels, Chris Carey, Damon Gandy, Dian Finney) 5:46.1, 2. Pontiac Central 5:37.2; DISTANCE MEDLEY — 1. Walled Lake Western (Matt Wagner, Tom Kubik, Josa Davis, Brian Grosso) 10:50.2, 2. Millford 10:50.9; HEAVY RELAY (shot put and discus) — 1. Pontiac Northern (Bruce Watson, Sean Kennedy, Barry Sykes, Keenan Humphrey) 1:46.9, 2. Clarkson 1:48.8; 1600 RELAY — 1. Pontiac Northern 3:22.2 (meet record), 2. Pontiac Central 3:26.9; THE CHRIS CAMPBELL SHUTTLE HURDLE RELAY — 1. Pontiac Central 60.3 (meet record), 2. Clarkson 65.4.

### BROTHER RICE RELAYS

(at Brother Rice)

TEAM SCORES — Brother Rice 34; Dearborn 34; Divine Child 33; Lahser 29; River Rouge 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Oak Park 17; Harper Woods Notre Dame 8; Dearborn Edsel Ford 4.

### INDIVIDUALS

HIGH JUMP RELAY — 1. Dearborn 18-0, 2. Lahser 17-2; LONG JUMP RELAY — 1. Divine Child 59-4 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 2. Dearborn 58-3; SHOT PUT RELAY — 1. Dearborn 135-8 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 2. Brother Rice 132-4; DISCUS RELAY — 1. Divine Child 384-1, 2. Brother Rice 392-4; FOUR MILE RELAY — 1. Dearborn 18:56.1, 2. Brother Rice 19:04.3; SPRINT MEDLEY — 1. Oak Park 2:33.2, 2. Brother Rice 2:35.0; 800 RELAY — 1. Lahser 1:37.1, 2. Edsel Ford 1:39.7; TWO MILE RELAY — 1. Divine Child 8:25.5, 2. Dearborn 8:31.2; SHUTTLE HURDLE RELAY — 1. River Rouge 63.3, 2. Lahser 64.6; 440 RELAY — 1. Divine Child 45.4, 2. Oak Park 45.7; DISTANCE MEDLEY — 1. Brother Rice 11:01.2, 2. Lahser 11:09.3; MILE RELAY — 1. Oak Park 3:35.6, 2. Brother Rice 3:37.3.

### BLUE GOLD CLASSIC

(at Warren Bethesda)

TEAM — 1. St. Clement 142, 2. G.P. Liggitt 108, 3. Southfield Christian 70, 4. Oakland Catholic 63 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 5. Redford 51, Mary 46, 6. Roeber 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 7. Bethesda 36, 8. Zion

Christian 8, 9. (tie) Waterford Lakes and Lutheran Northwest 1.

### OAKLAND CATHOLIC PLACES

800 RELAY — Oak. Catholic (John Barby, Kurt Prosser, Jamal Martin, Kevin Pike) 1:37.1; MJLE RELAY — Oak. Catholic (Barby, Prosser, Martin, Pike) 3:44.1; 300 HURDLES — Prosser (OC) 43.2; 200 — 2. Martin (OC); LONG JUMP — Martin (OC); 400 RELAY — 5. Oak. Catholic (Tu Le, Damian Bolden, Alex Fabian, Barby) 53.8; 3200 RELAY — 5. Oak. Catholic (Mike Meyer, Jim Gammicchia, James Flanigan, Fabian) 10:40.0; 100 — Pike (OC) 12.0.

## Girls Track

### BLUE GOLD CLASSIC

(at Warren Bethesda)

TEAM — 1. Redford St. Mary 93-2, Dominican 89, 3. Southfield Christian 76, 4. St. Clement 68, 5. G.P. Liggitt 66, 6. Roeber 50, 7. Waterford Lakes 28, 8. Bethesda 20, 9. Oakland Catholic 9, 10. Lutheran Northwest 6, 11. Zion Christian 4.

### OAKLAND CATHOLIC PLACES

200 — 4. Tameika Pilgrim (OC) 29.6; 400 RELAY — 5. Oak. Catholic (Moss, Lopez, Taylor, Pilgrim) 58.8; 800 RELAY — 6. Oak. Catholic (Moss, Lopez, Taylor, Pilgrim) 2:06; 1600 — 6. Colleen Horsey (OC) 6:38.

## Tennis

### WEST BLOOMFIELD INVITATIONAL

TEAM — 1. Brother Rice 36; 2. Cranbrook 22, 3. West Bloomfield 19, 4. Ann Arbor Huron 13, 5. Seaholm 9, 6. (tie) Rochester and Andover 8, 8. Country Day 4.

SINGLES — 1. Seth Denaweltz (WB) d. Scott Micus (Rice) 6-1, 6-0; 2. Eric Krupa (Cranbrook) d. Derek Elmhorn (WB) 6-2, 6-1; 3. Tim Walsh (Rice) d. Jordan Koss (Seaholm) 7-5, 6-2; 4. Tom Herb (Rice) d. Greg Ariz (Cranbrook) 6-4, 7-6.

DOUBLES — 1. Dave Piazzen and Scott Andrews (Rice) d. Kevin LaKritz and Trevor Armstrongs (WB) 6-1, 6-0; 2. Enzo Garcia and Geoff Prentice (Rice) d. Eddie Chung and David Giroux (Cranbrook) 1-5, 6-2, 7-5; 3. Tony Kestello and Jay Millar (Rice) d. Terry Houston and Dewey Steffen (Seaholm) 6-2, 6-1.

## Regional track sites

### CLASS A

West Bloomfield, Hazel Park, Grand Rapids Christian, Midland, Kalamazoo Central, Port Huron Northern, Monroe, West Bloomfield, Southfield, Grosse Pointe South

### CLASS B

Meridian, Caro, Algonac, Dearborn, Monroe Jefferson, Hillsdale, Hastings, Wyoming Park, Sparta, Linden,

### CLASS C

Charlevoix, Bad Axe, Grant, Lake Fenton, Schoolcraft, Carson City, Quincy, Godwin Heights, Munising, Calumet, Westwood.