

UC teams win Quincy Invitational; Strawser wins gold medal at Hillsdale

QUINCY — The undefeated Union City Chargers' boys and girls track teams won their respective championships in the Quincy Invitational Track Tournament on Saturday.

In the six-team boys' tourney, Coach Chris Katz's Chargers piled up 79 1/2 points, while Bath was second at 66 1/2; Mendon, third with 48; Bronson, fourth with 34; Quincy, fifth with 26 and Homer, sixth at 18.

Union City's Lance Fraley won the 440-yard run (52.3) and the 220-yard dash (28.1) and teamed up with Scott Lepper, Ken Davenport and Spencer Kever to win the 880-yard relay with a time of 1:35.1.

The Chargers' Josh Miller claimed top honors in the high jump with a leap of 6-4 1/2, while Union City's Craig Lloyd was victorious in the mile run with a mark of 4:43.3. Lloyd also joined forces with Steve Funk, Cody Claar and Ken Davenport to win the two-mile relay with a time of 8:31.9. Lloyd was also a member of the winning mile relay team (3:34.4).

Quincy's Dave Stempien won the shot put (45-2 1/2) and discus (138-5), while Bronson's Ryan Yoder claimed first-place honors



Scott Lepper
in the long jump (18-8) and 100-yard dash (10.8).

In the girls' competition, Coach Tom Gillette's Lady Char-

gers picked up 70 1/2 points for the top spot, while Quincy finished second at 49; Bronson, third at 48; Homer, fourth at 34 1/2; Bath, fifth with 28 and Mendon, sixth with 26.

Union City's Amanda Albright had a spectacular day, as she won the long jump (14-10), 110-yard hurdles (17.2) and 330-yard hurdles (48.3); while joining Sheri Miller, Lisa Tuttle and Jesse Barve to win the 880-yard relay (1:53.9).

The Chargers' Patti Silva was victorious in the one mile run with a time of 5:45.6. Silva also joined the team of Kelley Royer, Heather Wagar and Alesha Sands to win the two mile relay (10:58.6). Union City's Royer won the 880-yard run with a time of 2:39.0, while Barve took first in the 440-yard run (63.5) and tied for top honors in the 220-yard dash, along with Bronson's Tiffany Morris at 29.2.

Quincy's Beth Mann won the shot put (31-1), while Bronson's Kalyn Ellis took first-place in the 100-yard dash with a time of 12.3. The Lady Vikings' Heather Roach joined forces with Amie Grindle, Angela Wilber and Nichole Rissman to win the mile relay with a time of 4:25.0.

Coldwater in Ken Herrick Invitational

HILLSDALE — Coldwater's Joy Strawser won the gold medal in the Ken Herrick Invitational which was held at Hillsdale College on Saturday.

Strawser won the half-mile run with a time of 2:25.6 to help the Lady Cards to a ninth-place finish in the 11-team tourney.

Ann Arbor Pioneer, the Class A defending state champions, won the title with 145 points, while Hillsdale was second at 85.

Coldwater's mile relay team of Tina Boester, Rachel Carrion, Shannon Goodwin and Strawser placed fifth (4:28.4), while Sandy Kontowsky finished sixth in the 100-meter high hurdles with a career-best time of 17.2.

In the boys' competition, Coldwater's Chad Looper leaped 20-2 for a third-place bronze medal in the long jump, while the Cards' Russ Hickey placed third in the mile with a time of 4:40. Will Sherwood finished fifth in the two-mile run with a mark of 10:10 which was his best effort of the season.

Monroe won the boys' title with 81 points, while Albion took second with 80.

Coldwater will return to action on Tuesday when the Cards compete at Marshall.