Holly boys take 5th, Flushing girls 10th

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Alto - The state Class A boys' cross country championship reelusive for Flint-area teams, but just imagine if the best runners from the area could pool

It would be illegal, of course, but such a lineup would be a

coach's dream.

The Flint area produced six of the top 19 runners in the state

Class A meet Saturday at Saska-toon Golf Club.

In the quest for a team cham-pionship, Holly's top-ranked boys' team finished fifth while Flushing's third-ranked girls' team was 10th.

Holly's Gerald Newcomb was the top area finisher, placing sixth in the team race and sev-

sixth in the team race and seventh overall in 16:09.
Also earning All-State honors were Flushing's Kevin Foltz (tied for 10th, 16:16), Carman-Ainsworth's Matt Vennie (tied for 12th, 16:19), Kearsley's Tony Di-Genova (tied for 12th, 16:19), Swartz Creek's Paul Kekel (17th, 16:23) and Holly's larged Maywell 16:23) and Holly's Jared Maxwell (tied for 19th, 16:25). All-State recognition goes to runners in the top 25 when the team and individual races are combined.

Newcomb ran the second-best time of his four-year career, despite running on a snow-covered course in 30-degree weather.

"It was great for those kinds of conditions," Newcomb said. "I was shooting for the top 10 overall and top five in my race. I'm very satisfied."

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After missing last year's state meet, Foltz was determined to make a run for the championship on Saturday. But Abdul Alzindani of Dearborn Fordson made that goal unattainable, blowing away the competition with a time of 15:20 in the individual race. Joe Leo of Detroit Catholic Central won the team race in 15.42.

Foltz was a distant second to Alzindani in the individual run after being six seconds back at the end of a blistering 4:37 opening mile by the Fordson senior.

"I didn't think he'd do that," Foltz said. "He took off fast and I can't go with that. I'm usually not that strong after I do that fast of a first mile. It took something out of me. I had to work to finish. He's tough. He is the best." As it turned out, Foltz had to

work hard just to keep ahead of Big Nine Conference rival Ven-

nie.

"(Alzindani) just took right off and left us in the dust," Vennie said. "I wanted to try to stay with Kevin. I wanted to keep close and try to pass him, but he just out-kicked me at the end."

Vennie and Kearsley's DiGenova, both juniors, will be among the state favorites next year They were beaten by only two under-classmen, Mike Humes of Ann Arbor Pioneer (16:04) and Jesse Elzinga of Temperance-Bedford

(16:12).

In the team event, Holly had its best finish in a state meet since winning the 1978 Class B champi-onship. The Bronchos hadn't finished better than eighth since then. It was also the best finish by a Flint-area team in the Class meet since Swartz Creek won in

Newcomb and Maxwell led the way with their All-State per-formances, while Rob Keen was 29th in 16:44, Matt Hosner 53rd in 17:11 and Scott Terry 83rd in 17:31. Rich Hicks, who was Holly's No. 4 runner in the regional, became ill Friday night and dropped out of the race after two

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miles.

If Hicks was healthy, Bronchos might have been able to grab the runner-up spot. Holly had 184 points, while second-place Milford-Lakeland had 157. Brighton won its second state championship and first since 1978 with 133 points, the second-lighest upper total in the left. highest winning total in the last

nine years.
"It's been that way all year," Holly coach Duane Raffin said. "All of these teams have beaten each other. It's been a good season for cross country. There's son for cross country. been no dominating team. I'm pleased with the way we ran. The kids are disappointed they didn't win, but we'll take it considering the circumstances."

Swartz Creek and Kearsley were ranked in the top 10 all season, but the Dragons finished 11th with 353 points and Kearsley 14th with 361.

Kekel was 12th, Ryan Sanders 55th (17:13), Sean McDowell 86th (17:33), Chris Allen 96th (17:42) and Chad Parenteau 104th (17:46) for Swartz Creek.

"If you told me at the start of "If you told me at the start of the year we'd be in the top 11 and win all the things we did, I'd have laughed," Creek coach Dave Carey said. "We were pathetic. I'm proud of the seniors. They got this team back together at the end."

Kearsley finished 14th for the second straight year, but with 361 points had 51 fewer than in 1994.

Four of the Hornets' top five runners will return next year. Dirunners will return next year. Di-Genova (ninth, 16:19) is a junior, Wayne Thayer (67th, 17:20) is a senior, Matt Bartman (71st, 17:25) is a junior, Chad Zawol (87th, 17:34) is a junior and Brad Castanon (128th, 18:03) is a soph-

Wayne came back all right after a bad ankle," Kearsley coach Don Marsh said. "Zawol was hurt all year and he was our fourth man. The way things worked out, we did all right."

Flushing's girls cracked the top 10 for the second time in three years by placing 10th, but the Raiders were looking for bigger things after a dominant 22-point effort in the regional one week earlier moved them to No. 3

in the state rankings.

The Raiders had 306 points, well behind repeat state champion Troy Athens' total of 102. Livonia Stevenson was second with

"Our pack got broken up somewhat," Flushing coach Stan Holmes said. "It's hard to keep contact with each other in a meet of this size (188 runners). That's our strength."

Jenny Denkins was 17th (19:40), Alane Millar 54th (20:24), Brooke Vizena 56th (20:24), Tri-Horne 108th (21:00) to account for Flushing's points.

Swartz Creek ended up 24th

in the 27-team meet with 536

points.
Scoring for the Dragons were
Allison Busch (40th, 20:11), Melissa Granger (42nd, 20:14), Kim
Whiote (141st, 21:46), Ann Honnosh (14th, 21:51) and Heather
Krotzer (168th, 22:32).
The state individual champion
was Sharon Vantuyl of Portage
Northern who won the individual

Northern, who won the individual run in 18:21. Alison Klemmer of Troy Athens won the team run in

Holy's Jackie Bucholz was the fastest Flint-area runner in the girls' race, placing fifth in the individual run in 19:20.

Class A boys

Team scoring — 1 Brighton 133, 2 Milford-takelend 157, 3 Traverse City 161, 4 Temper-nec-Bedford 162, 5. HOLLY 184; 4 Ann Arbor Pioneer 189, 7 Monroe 244, 8. Plymouth Salem 247, 9 Troy Athens 283, 10 Grand Ledge 310, 11. SWARTZ CREEK 353; 12 Wyondotte Rossevelt 355, 13 Grand Hoven 356, 14 F.ILMT KEARSLEY 361, 15 Salten 361, 16 Reckford 366, 17 Rochester 388, 18 Kolamazoo Central 442, 19 Warren Cousino 451, 20. St Johns 457, 21 Detroit Cotholic Central 471, 22 Holt 547, 23 Birmingham Brother Rice 547, 24 Grosse Pointe South 553, 25 Troy 609, 26 Port Huron 671, 27 Ufice Ford 708 Team race — 1 Joe Loe (Detroit Cotholic Contral) 15 42, 2 Keith Braston (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 15, 45, 3 Mix Humes (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 16, 44, Scott Pengelly (Plymouth Salem) 16:07, 5 Mixe Cell (Treverse City) 16 08, 6. GERALD NEWCOMB (HOLLY) 16:09; 7 Josse Etzingo (Temperance-Bedford) 16 12, 8 Jeff Tremboth (Brighton) 16 16, 7 NON DIGENOVA (Flymouth Salem) 16:19

9. TONY DIGENOVA (FLINT KEARSLEY) 16:19, 10 Jerod Binicke (Plymouth Solem) 10 19 Individual race — 1 Abdul Alzindoni (Decrborn Fordson) 15:20, 2. KEVIN FOLTZ (FLUSHING) 16:16:3. MATT VENNIE (FLINT CARMAN-AINS-WORTH) 16:19:4 Lyle Mayers (Charlotte) 16:22 5 Mati Jones (Muskegon Rebins-Piffer) 16:22, 6 Joson Aspinoll (Wolled Lake Western) 16:25, 7 Brion Wordlow (Pinckney) 16:29, 8 Reed Steele (Doarborn) 16:31, 9 Kevin Grant (Grosse Pointe North) 16:38, 10 Josh Miller (East Kentwood) 16:40

16 40 Holly — 6 Gerald Newcomb 16 09, 13 Jared Maxwell 16 25, 29 Rob Keen 16 44, 53 Matt Horner 17 11, 83 Scott Terry 17 31, 127 Dustin Royner 18 02

Roynor 18 02 Swartz Creek — 12 Paul Kekel 16 23,55 Ryar Sanders 17 13 86 Sean McDowell 17 33, 96 Chris Allen 17 42, 104 Chad Parenteau 17 46 136 Joson Wolfenden 18 06, 140 Jeremy Howel

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Kearteley — 9 Tony DiGenova 16 19, 66 Wayna Thayer 17 20, 71 Mott Bartman 17 25, 87 Chod Zawol 17 34, 128 Brad Castenon 18 03, 138 Phil Thisse 18:06, 155 Kevin Crist 18 18 Filmt-area individual runners — 2 Mott Foliz (Flushing) 16 16, 3 Mott Vanne (Carman-Anssworth) 16 19, 24 Scott Nowman (Harland) 16 56 29 Isaac Lowe (Flint Northwestern) 17 01 52 Eric Malzahn (Dwosso) 17 20, 59 Dan Conger (Lapeer East) 17 25, 79 Steve Sterakowski (Lapeer Wast) 17 51, 84 Jeromy Bedteyton (Owosso) 18 05

Class A girls

Team scoring — 1 Troy Athens 102, 2 Livonia Stevanson 113, 3 Sterling Holights Stevenson 126; 4 Clorkston 230, 5 Formington 257, 6 Part Huron Northern 259, 7 Greenville 264, 8 Novi 298, 9, Grosse Pointe South 302, 10. FLUSHING 306; 11 Rockford 307, 12 Brighton 323, 13 Holland West Ottows 332, 14 Princkney 345, 15 Jenison 375, 16 Grand Haven 381, 17 Rochester 382, 18 Troy 427, 19 Temperance-Bedlord 443, 20 Portage Central 459, 21 Brimingham Seaholim 474, 22 Rochester Adoms 500, 23 Belleville 511, 24, SWARTZ CREEK 536; 25 Midland 583, 26 Lincoln Park 639, 27 Now Boltimore Anchor Bay 702. Team race — 1 Alison Klammer (Troy Athens) 18, 31, 2 Andrea Rosemo (Jenison), 18, 54, 3 Mogan Fitzgerold (Sterling Heights Stevenson) 18, 54, 4 Stefanie Burklow (Clarkston), 1901, 5. Kelly Travis (Livonia Stevenson), 19, 01, 6 Patry Langworthy (West Ottawa), 1913, 7 Tract Owcarek (Troy Athens), 1916, 8 Shauna Pennington (Greenville), 1917, 9 Andrea Polian (Jenison), 1922, 10 Christina Garst (Troy), 1923, Individual race — 1 Sharon Vantuy (Portage Northern), 18, 21, 2 Alexis Lund (Muskogan Roeths-Puffer), 18, 57, 3 Shown Kemp (Midrod), 1904, 4 Rito Aradt (Saline), 5. JACKIE BUCHOLZ (HOLLY), 1920, 6 Emily Magner (Ann Atbor Pioneer), 1932. Flushing — 17 Janny Denkins, 1940, 54, Alane Millar 202, 45, 6 Tacher Marger (Holl), 1932. Plushing — 17 Janny Denkins, 1940, 54, Alane Millar 202, 45, 8 Froek Vizena 20, 24, 71 Trisha Eavy 20, 37, 108 Kethie Horne 21, 00, 114 Corelina Leven 21, 108, 126 Jennifer Gustcher 21, 22 Swartz Creek — 40 Allison Busch 20-11, 42 Melissa Granger 2014, 141 Kim Whole 21, 46, 145, Ann Honnosh 21, 51, 168 Heather Krotzer 23, 180 Vickle Bustladraks, 23, 40, 186 Kotie Wolter, 42, 44

Klinkaria and Middual trunners — 5 Jackie Bucholt (Holly), 19, 20, 13 Kristen Kloosterhouse (Hortland) 19, 38, 26 Sharon Dickie (Grand Blone), 20, 37, Andy Steinhoff (Grand Blone), 20, 65, 59 Krist Brown (Lopece East), 21, 48, 87 Roggie Focker (Kearsley), 21, 49 Class B Boys

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Team scoring — 1 Stockbridge 115, 2 Goylord
221, 3 Ida 227, 4 Clawson 246, 5 Frement 257,
6 Trenton 260 7 St Joseph 270, 8 Celedonia
300, 9 Eaton Repuds 307, 10 West Brench Ogemow Hoights 208, 11 Grosse Ile 309, 12 Dearborn Heights Crosswood 316, 13 Harper Woods
Notro Dome 321 14 Coldwater 335, 15 Cedor
Springs 372, 16, 0XFORD 396, 17 Shepherd 400,
18 Wayland 403, 19 Petoskey 415, 20 Marshall
422 21 Dester 432, 22 Wyoming Park 436, 23
Grant 447, 24 Lowell 521, 25 Madison Heights
Lomphore 551, 26 Richland Gull Loke 589, 27
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Grant 447, 24 Lowell 521, 23 Modison rieights Lamphere 551, 28 Richland Gull Loke 589, 27 Hoslett 639 Team race — 1 Mothew Hantung (Harper Woods Notre Domo) 15 39, 2 Kevin Schultz (Clowson) 15 43, 3 Jeff Evans (Marshall) 15 53 4 Gary Schultz (Clawson) 15 55, 5 Joson Thomas (Gaylord) 15 69, 6 Justin Holtschu (Goylord) 16 03 7 James Lister (Stockbridge) 16 04 8 Ryon Pippo (Trenton) 16 06, 9 Steve Long (Coldward) 16 08, 10 Joson Joloszynski (Shapherd) 16 08 Individual race — 1 Robert Curtis (Warren Woods) 15 26, 2 Eugene Labron (Albion) 15 34, 3 Ken Baginski (Canter Line) 15 35, 4 Kenvin Rossiter (Orchard Loke St Mory) 15 39 5 Ryan Greutman (Carleton Airport) 15 49 6 John Hazobrook (Hudsonville) 15 56, 8 Kevin Morris (Hillsdele) 15.57, 9 Vinod Around (Detroit Country Day) 15 59, 10 Chuck Knuth (Marysville) 16 02 Oxford – 15 John LeRoy 16 13, 19 Chris Ben 16 17, 71 Joff Bourden 17 05 143 Joson Brooks 75, 11 148 Chad Béthan 17 59 175 Eric Harvestor 18 45, 188 Grant Ferrell 20 38 Filint-area Individual runners — 14 Mott Grulko (Corunno) 16 13 41 Fred Herschelman (Ortonville Brandon) 16 42 48 Phil Stevens (North Branch) 17 91 Joson Canze (Carunne) 17 46, 99 Eric Indend (Linden) 17 57

Class B girls

Team scoring — 1 Coledonio 28, 2 Goylord 190, 3 Chelsea 198, 4 Fremont 211, 5 Jackson Lumen Christi 255, 6 Shepherd 255, 7 Grosso IB 266, 8 Ida 273, 9 Hillsdole 296, 10. FLINT POW-ERS CATHOLIC 303; 11 Paw Paw 306, 12 Rich-land Gull Idak 310, 13 Coopersvilla 315, 14. Lud-ington 315, 15. Sporta 323, 16 Gladwin 422, 17

State cross country finals

Holland Christian 480, 18. Haslatt 485, 19 Dearborn Divine Child 486, 20 Ionia 492, 21 Algonac 500, 22 Petaskay 504, 23 Fowlarville 540, 24 Clawson 544, 25. Carleton Airport 566, 26 Whitehall 602, 27 Royal Oak Dondero 668

Team race — 1. CARRIE GOULD (FLINT POW-ERS CATHOLIC) 18:00; 2 Julie Dovid (Coopersville) 18:03, 3. Kert Bloem (Caledonia) 18:08, 4. Elizabeth Fortune (Caledonia) 18 14, 5 Shannan Houseman (Caledonia) 18 14, 6 Angia Lefare (Jackson Lumen Christi) 18 19, 7 Brooke Wierenga (Caledonia) 18 41, 8 Chrystal Porta (Gaylord) 18:47, 9 Sarah Parbel (Caledonia) 18,51, 10. KELSIE GOULD (FLINT POWERS CATHOLIC) 18:58.

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Erin White (Bottle Creek Lakeview) 18:47, 3 Kimberly Browning (Onsted) 18:53, 4. CHRISTINE
FREEMAN (OXFORD) 19:00; 5. Veronica Quackenbush (Wast Branch Ogenow Heights) 19:02, 6.
Comi Moll (Hudsonville) 19:03, 7 Danielle Risner (Albion) 19:03, 8 Molisse Laughhumn (Stevenswille-Lakeshore) 19:04, 9 Charissa Show (Hosings) 19:04, 10. Laurie Meyers (Bottle Creek Harper Creek) 19:10
Powers Catholic — 1 Corrie Gould 18:00, 10
Kelsia Gould 18:58, 35 Courtney Daunt 20:06, 113 Collean Negrinelli 21:14, 144 Andrea Bachiel 21:51, 157 Krissy Kackley 22:13, 158. Nicole Daunt 22:15
Flint-area individual runners — 4 Christine Freeman (Oxford) 19:00, 15 Bocky Kellor (Oxford) 19:21, 19 Anna Webster (Montrose) 19:34, 33
Jessica Gilbert (Corunna) 19:48, 42 Janny Urban (LokeVille) 20:05, 45 Krista Poters (Ortonville Brandon) 20:08, 71 Kori Karthoff (Durond) 20:44, 72 Carrie Natrike (Durand) 20:46, 73 Erin Timmer (Imlay City) 20:49

Team scoring - 1 Benzie Centrol 104, 2 Luterran Westland 141, 3 McBain 152, 4. Carson City 160, 5 Clare 205, 6 Hocken 220, 7 Bath 221 B Sogianow Valley Lutheran 242, 9 Janosville 258, 10 Kolamazoo Christian 269, 11 Brocken-radge 271 12 Sanford-Meridian 272, 13 Concord 277 14 Leslie 298, 15. Goodfrich, 16 Erie-Moson 324 17 Hartford 406, 18 Hemlock 420, 19 Bangor 471 20 Sandusky 490, 21 Marcfulus 525, 22. Atherton 542
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Goodrich — 57 Jeffrey Martin 17:32, 58 Chad Urbain 17:33, 62 John Parent 17:36, 65 Stephan Hoverly 17:48, 73 James Martin 17:48, 110 Nathan Templeton 18:23, 127 Steve Johnston 19:01
Alherton — 70 Math Mason 17:46, 91 Chris Finton 18:05, 103 Nathan Purdue 18:18, 134 James Janes 19:16, 144 Jeff Engle 19:43, 151 Dominic Rayes 21:45

Class C girls

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1 Corson City Crystol 61, 2, Charlevoix 130, 3, Clare 140, 4, Shelby 182 5, Blissfield 200, 6, Addison 212, 7, Kolamazoo Christian 216, 8, Baar Lake 227, 9, Maple Volley 251, 10, Quinny 262, Team-run

1, Kathryn Murphy, Maple Volley, 18 57, 2, Kristy Davenport, Addison, 19 01, 3, Leah Nilsson, Williamston, 19 16, 4 Marrisa Ryan, Carson City Crystol 19 31 5 Melonnie Furgason, Buchanan, 19 38, 6, Jodf Werman Lutheran Westland, 19 39, 7 Megan Worrke, Sagnaw Volley Lutheran, 19 46, 8, Robekah Schultz, Hackott, 19 50, 9, Erinn Boot, Kalamazoo Christian, 20 07, 10, Amber Abbott, Carson City Christian, 20 10, 10, Amber Abbott, Carson City Christian, 20 10, 13, Rachel Laansma Allendole, 20 02, 4, Shannon Gleesing, Brackenridge, 20 15, 5, Hedi Wright, Southfield Christi, 20 15, 6, Becky Miller, Pewamo-Wastphola, 20 18, 7, Mackenziell Woodring, Holton, 20 23, 8, Melissa Culver, Morley-Stanwood, 20 28, 9, Nicole Ruhanen, Roose, 20 34, 10, Michelle Kline, Napolean, 20 38

Class D boys

Team
1. Grass Lake 41 2. Fowler 62, 3. Ann Arbor Greenhills 116 4. Faurview Area 159 5. Pittsford 165 6, New Buffalo 208 7. Camdon 212 8, Detroit Holy Redecemer 229 9 Boyne Falls 234 10, Litchfield 242

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1. Ryan Shay, Central Lake, 16 01, 2, Trevor McGran, Grass Loke, 16 16, 3, Adam George, Fowler, 17 02, 4, Kris Brown, Ann Arbor Greenhills, 17 09, 5, Colin Dunhom, Grass Loke, 17 10, 6, Ryan Bills, Litchfield, 17 15, 7, Jarred Miller, Fowler, 17 16, 8, John Shoup, Mason County East-orn, 17 17, 9, Seen Enneking, Fowler, 17 32, 10, Josh McDowall, Pirisford, 17 33. Individual

1, ALVIN MARSHALL, Genesse, 17:11; 2, Eric Potter, Adrian Lenwae Christian, 17 15, 3, Nathan Waudenburg, Allanto, 17 20, 4, Tony Hertrac (Walkerville, 17 39, 5, Julian Kibby, Oakland Christian, 17 47, 6, T.), Parce, Loke Mchigan Catholic, 17 55, 7, Mike Fultz, Burr Ook, 17-58, 8, Brendon Bachman, Whitmere Lake, 18-07, 9, Joson Whitney, Mendon, 18:08, 10, John Hole, Burr Ook, 18-08.

Class D girls

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Team

1, Whitmere Lake 56, 2, Mendon 88, 3, Gross Loke 130, 4, Fowler 131, 5, Pittsford 180, 6, Tri-Unity Christian 203, 7, Foirriewa Area 212, 8, Central Lake 218, 9, Ann Arbor Gobriel Richard 226, 10, Buckley 226.

Team-run

1, Betsy Spoe, Whitmore Lake, 19-38, 2, Stephonie Klein, Mendon, 19-59, 3, Michelle Klein, Mendon, 20-06, 4, April Jockson, Whitmore Lake, 20.32, 5, Kasey Culp, Mendon, 20-39, 6, Michelle Rector, Pittsford, 20-42, 7, Jonal DeGennaro, Lee, 20-44, 8, Sorah Wirth, Fowler, 20-50, 9, Melisso Wolk, Whitmore Lake, 20-52, 10, Lindsey Carmer, Tri-Unity Christian, 20-56 individuals

1, Brook Creed, Wolkerville, 20-05, 2, Tudy

1, Brook Creed, Wolkerville, 20:05, 2, Trudy Chase, Walkerville, 20:13, 3, Brito Ultz, Burr Oak, 20:59, 4, Holly Koshar, Lawrence, 21:29, 5, Elizabeth Campbell, Ann Arbor Greenhills, 21:40, 6, Sarah Ward, Camden-Frontier, 21:53, 7, Kotie Oakes, Pentwater, 21:54, 8, Kristi High, Grand Rapids Boptist, 21:55, 9, Krista Hildebrand, New Buffalo, 22:03, 10, Shannon Crigger, Whiteford, 22:09