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# FORUM

## A CLUB'S PHILOSOPHY

How to be number one

The Kettering Striders of Ohio may be the number one track team in the nation on the basis of the opportunities the club provides for competitors of all ages and talents. The reason for the Striders' success may be found in the club's philosophy as expressed in this letter to parents, written by the founder and head coach STEVE PRICE. His address to the Striders parents was found to be very noteworthy and will be published in the FORUM page in two parts. Part one follows.

Soon we will be embarking on our 8th season of Strider Cross Country. With your cooperation and support, our club will have another successful year in the sport, and the children will receive a positive and learning experience.

As you can imagine, we are extremely proud of our tradition in cross-country, and Strider teams have won championships at every level. For those of you who have been a part of the club since its inception, you know how our club has grown and prospered over the years.

We first started with a few girls from Rolling Fields School in 1967 and eventually grew into a complete track & field club, until today we have boys, girls, men and women of all ages participating.

As a "not-for-profit" Ohio corporation, our club is governed by elected officers and a board of trustees. In addition to these people, we have various committee chairmen plus several coaches who I have had the good fortune to work with these past few years.

All of the above mentioned people have worked together in an effort to make this club one of the best in the country. Since our club was started, I have witnessed many other clubs in the Midwest either completely die out or split up because of dissension within the club.

I believe our club has much to be proud as we have grown and become stronger over the years, mostly due to the fact that our members are interested in our total program and not just one division. The Kettering Striders is a track & field club and not a girls' track team or an age group track team.

As parents of Strider athletes, I ask you to support and encourage your child as you would in any worthwhile activity he or she may be involved in. On the other hand, please allow your child to enjoy the sport...

I feel very strongly about gradual development of an athlete over a period of years and years. Far too many of our age group and teenage stars fade out quickly and are never heard from again. I'm certain that many of these "flashes" would still be competing if they had been brought along in a different fashion.

A person of 10 years of age has, at a minimum, a total of 15 to 20 years to compete in a serious competition - and even longer for many. Olympic Champion Ludmila Bragins of the USSR won the gold medal in Munich at age 29 and didn't even start competing until age 19. Jack Foster of New Zealand is their national marathon champion at age 43!

An important thing to remember is that all children do not develop at the same rate just as all children do not grow at the same rate. The awkward, gangly thirteen year old may be a world class athlete at age 25. If your child is enjoying his/her experience with the Striders but not doing too well in competition, perhaps he/she is getting more out of the experience than you can possibly be aware of.

By all means encourage your boys or girls to do their best, but please do not destroy their enthusiasm with "demands" and threats that they had better do better the next time. Allow your child to develop gradually while forming a good foundation and hopefully a love for the sport. They may never win a race, but they may learn much about themselves and others around them....

May this be a great season for your children, and may they grow socially, emotionally and intellectually.

STEVE PRICE  
Coach/Kettering Striders  
Ohio

(Ed. to be continued next issue. In addition, the editors of STARTING LINE would like to hear from other clubs).

## A FEW PATS ON THE BACK...

I enjoy your magazine very much and would have been very disappointed if I missed any issue.

You are to be commended for your dedication to "Youth Sports"

GEORGE MANCINI,  
Richmond, VA

This year I subscribed to STARTING LINE because I joined an AAU track club and I wanted to be informed of results and performances at track meets across the nation.

I also enjoy STARTING LINE's Best Performance Lists. I plan to subscribe to your magazine again next year.

JOHN M. GATES,  
Cupertino, CA

Ed. Thank you very much. We needed that!

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The opinions expressed in this column are not necessarily those of the editors of STARTING LINE. It is hoped that the pertinence and timeliness of the subjects discussed will stimulate our readers to re-examine their attitudes toward the sport of Track & Field. The editors invite comments on this and other topics.  
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## A COACH'S CONGRATS AND COMPLAINTS

The 1974 Boys Age Group Nationals was a fairly well put together meet. It had its ups and downs, but I do believe that the people in charge did do their best and for that I congratulate them.

The only real problem was that it was not a point meet. I felt very disappointed about that. It is a shame when teams come all the way across the country thinking they are going to win a team trophy and nothing happens.

I only hope that there will be a point system for each age group and a team total at the 1975 Nationals. That's what makes a national meet exciting.

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Now I have some real complaints about a more recent meet.

I attended the Region II Cross-Country meet in Dormont, PA, on November 23. It was the most upsetting meet I have ever attended. Besides the dangerous course, there was some outright favoritism on the part of the officials.

A certain Doctor's son was in the 10-11 division. He went the wrong way and finished 14th. The meet Director rules that the kid should go to the Junior Olympic Nationals in North Carolina, as a tie for 7th place.

The official on the course says that he told the boy to take the wrong turn. But Sir, there were three (3) races before that one and all the other kids, including the 10-11 girls, were directed by the same official. So why all of a sudden does he tell this boy to go off course?

This is the story we get after a certain member of the National AAU Committee spoke to the official and the meet director. The official then came forward and admitted his mistake on the course. How convenient!

An important point of the story is that this boy was late for the meet and did not walk the course like all the other athletes. Whose fault is that? I ask you, are we running fair age group meets? Should we show favoritism to a kid who's father is on the AAU committee? Was the Meet Director scared to speak against the boy's father, because his meet was so poor he might not get another bid for another meet?

I strongly demand that some action be taken on this matter. It is not fair to all the boys who went by the rules and regulations, showed up on time and paid attention to the course.

When people with power start influencing our age group meets and the Directors of those meets become afraid to stand up for what is right, then the AAU is nothing but an exploitation of kids and not better than the institutional power structures which have taken over America today.

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Philadelphia, PA



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Photo of Frank and Chuck Assumma by DOUG SCHWAB

## On the Cover

1) DONNA CAMPBELL is seen racing toward a new girls course record in the 12-13 race of the RRCA cross country Nationals in New York. Donna's time of 8:54.4 on the 1 1/2 mile course broke her sister's Robin old meet and course record (8:55.2) established in 1972.

2) This charming photo shows the start of the 5 and under race at the RRCA meet. The object of this race is to see who is having the most fun. There seems to be only winners in this picture.

3) 12-13 division competitors head into the hills of Van Cortland Park, in the Bronx, NY. 2nd placer EDWARD GALLAGHER from Yonkers, New York (138) leads eventual winner SCOTT DAHM of the Kettering Striders (Ohio) and 3rd placer DON LYONS (Oswego, NY). Scott ran 8:16.8 to break Michael Dees 1973 record of 8:31.2. Gallagher and Lyons were also under the old standard.

4) We have been asked many times, how often are we going to have a picture of CHUCK and FRANK ASSUMMA on the cover. For everyone's information it is the first time in 1974. Those astounding twins are so often in the news, that one gets the impression that we have them on the cover every time. In this photo we see them taking already a substantial lead in the California State Championship meet. They finished in a tie for first, some 20 seconds ahead of some of the best runners in the state, such as San Juan's Ray Eddy and San Fernando Valley's Phil Shirley, two top national prospects. Chuck and Frank were obviously just warming up for the BIG ONE, in Ohio. We may have them on the cover again.

## From the Editors

### YOUR BIRTH YEAR IS WHAT COUNTS

Beginning on January 1, 1975, all boys and girls competing in AAU age group track & field competition will remain in the same age group all track season.

If you are 9 years or younger on New Year's eve, you will be competing in what will be the "Bantam" division; if you are 10 or 11 years old, you will be in the "Midget" division; if you are 12 or 13 years old before '75 begins, you will be competing in the "Youth" division and if you are still 14 or 15 by the first of the year, you will be in the "Intermediate" division... for the entire track season.

This will not apply (yet) to Boys cross country or to some other competitions, such as Junior Olympic or RRCA, but we think it is a step in the right direction. We congratulate all those who took the trouble to support the change, which will not solve all age-group problems, but should help make some of them easier to handle.

There were some interesting corollary changes to supplement the big change from the birthdate to birthyear system of age grouping (see summary elsewhere in this issue).

One of them we like very much. Any girl who turns 14 during the track or cross country season can elect to run in the Senior Women's division (14-Over) if she chooses. She may not, however, return to the "Youth" division after that. We believe this is fair and might be considered for all age groups in all divisions in future years. It is an idea that might well help the "average" competitor and the "star".

In the meantime, we urge all leagues and other organizations to adopt the birthyear concept too, so that age group track can become even easier to follow and understand.

Bill Peck,  
editor

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# 1975 NATIONAL NEWS

MANY IMPORTANT RULE CHANGES will go into effect during the 1975 season. The most important is the rule determining an athlete's age group. With one exception, all age groups remain the same, but the date on which an athlete's age is determined is changed in several instances.

Here is a breakdown:

AAU Boys Age Group Track & Field...age on January 1.  
 AAU Girls Age Group Track & Field...age on January 1.  
 RRCA Boys & Girls Track...age on day of the meet.  
 JUNIOR OLYMPIC Boys & Girls Track & Field...continues to be as of May 1.  
 AAU Boys Age Group Cross Country...age on day of meet.  
 AAU Girls Age Group Cross Country...age on January 1.  
 JUNIOR OLYMPIC Boys & Girls Cross Country...age on Sept. 1.  
 RRCA Boys & Girls Cross Country...age on day of meet.

**NOTE:** A girl in the 12-13 age group who turns 14 during the season, may move up to Women's (14-Over) competition, but may not move down into the 12-13 class again - for both track and field and cross country.

**NOTE:** In Boys Age Group Cross Country...any runner who "cheats" on his age (in order to run in a younger age group) will be liable to a two year suspension.

## National Championships for 1975

The following information will bring to your attention some of the most important national championship meets of 1975. This is all we have been able to gather up to now, and additional information will be forthcoming in the next issue of STARTING LINE.

The known dates and places of these meets are listed below

AAU NATIONAL JUNIOR MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS  
 (for athletes born in 1956 or later)... June 13-14...  
 Site unknown... qualifying for USA Junior Men's Team.

AAU NATIONAL JUNIOR WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS  
 (for athletes born in 1956 or later)... June 25-26...  
 White Plains, NY...qualifying for USA Junior Women's Team.

USSR vs USA JUNIOR DUAL MEET (for Men born in 1956 or later and Women born in 1957 or later)... July 4-5...  
 Lincoln, Nebraska.

NATIONAL AAU BOYS AGE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIPS  
 (for Boys 9 & Under to 14-15)... July 18-19...  
 Mt. Hood Community College, Gresham, Oregon.

For information concerning this meet, contact:  
 Steve Hansen, 2043 Rhododendron Drive, Woodland WA 98674  
 ...track is eight-lane, rubber asphalt... data timer.

RRCA POSTAL MILE CHAMPIONSHIPS  
 (for Boys and Girls 7 & Under to 14-15)...  
 Any date up to June 25, 1975... sites to be determined...  
 anyone may request for site, including foreign countries...

If you wish to host a sectional of this meet, contact:  
 Gabe Mirkin, MD, 9900 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20902.

AAU NATIONAL JUNIOR WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS  
 (for runners born in 1957 or later) and AGE GROUP MEET  
 November 29, 1975... Millbrae, California.

AAU NATIONAL BOYS CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS  
 (for Boys 9 & Under to 14-15)... November 29...  
 either in the San Francisco area or Annapolis, Maryland.

If anyone in the San Francisco area is interested in hosting this meet, please contact Dr. Gabe Mirkin (see address above). If there is no bid, the meet will be held in Annapolis, Maryland.

NATIONAL JUNIOR OLYMPIC CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS  
 Date unknown... Houston, Texas... for information:  
 Jerry Montgomery, P.O. Box 475, Alief, Texas 77411.

....more information in the next issue.

There is no more so called "Junior" National Championships (open to any age athlete), but there will be a Junior Women Division open to girls 14 thru 18 years of age (as of January 1).

The AAU Age Group Divisions have some slightly new labels and we present them here, so that you can get accustomed to them. This is for both Boys and Girls:

DIVISION	AGE AS OF JANUARY 1	ELIGIBLE BIRTH YEARS IN 1975
Bantam	9 years & Younger	Born in 1965 or later
Midget	10 & 11 years old	Born in 1964 & 1963
Youth (New Label)	12 & 13 years old	Born in 1961 & 1962
Intermediate	14 & 15 years old	Born in 1959 & 1960
Junior Men	18 years & Younger	Born in 1956 or later
Junior Women	14 thru 18 years	Born in 1956-1960

**NOTE:** Junior Women who are 18 on January 1, 1975 will not be eligible for the USA Junior Women's Team.

There are some new events and event changes in Girls Age Group. These will be incorporated into the 1975 edition of the STARTING LINE ANNUAL HANDBOOK (available February 1975).

Some interesting indoor meets are coming up for those who can't wait for the sun to return in the spring.

In addition to the many eastern and midwestern special events, at least three meets show a large schedule of age group events for boys and girls of all ages.

For eastern and midwest competitors, we recommend the Pittsburgh (Pennsylvania) Indoor Track Classic on Jan. 4 & 5.

For westerners we have the southern California Indoor Games, on January 24-25 at the Anaheim Convention Center.

Later, on February 22, a meet especially for young athletes in the south and midwest, is the Memphis (Tennessee) Indoor Track Classic. Details are in the Calendar section.

We recommend that you write for information.

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## HOW TO MAKE "BREAD" FOR YOUR CLUB

by Bill Peck and Mark Zucker

To a greater or lesser degree teams involved in age group or Junior track need to have U.S. currency for such costly items as uniforms, equipment, travel and entry fees. For the many clubs run on a volunteer basis by members of the community, there is no guaranteed budget such as school teams have and therefore alternative fund-raising schemes have been invented.

During the past year STARTING LINE Magazine conducted a survey of some of the major clubs around the nation. A total of 116 teams responded to our questionnaire. The size of the clubs ranged from over 400 members to less than 10. Fifty-seven of the clubs have over 50 members, with eighteen of these over 100 members.

According to the survey, this is how they made their "bread":

Seventeen of the responding teams get support from government agencies, such as Federal Model Cities funds or local sponsorship by city agencies. Even more (38) have other sponsors mostly from service clubs (20). Most popular track support groups are Police Athletic leagues and Kiwanis, followed by Optimists, Lions and YMCA's.

Business support is meager. One top coach/founder tells us he has turned down sponsor backing, because he wants the parents to be part of the club by participating in the fund raising.

Of course, most of the money is raised by the "sweat" and promotion of traditional projects and some novel ones as well. Most popular of the old-time fund-raisers are candy, food and bake sales (47 of the teams use this method) and raffles. This includes food concessions at track meets - a good source of income at a large age group meet. And have you ever refused to buy cookies from a nine-year old??

Drawing scattered support were car washes (7teams), carnivals and fairs; sale of patches, T-shirts, emblems and bumper stickers; christmas trees and christmas record sales; talent shows, dances and movies; special events (such as golf tournaments); bottle and paper drives.

The run-a-thon (or jog-a-thon, walk-a-thon, bike-a-thon) are becoming very popular. Thirteen of the responding teams have tried it already. One school team raised \$300 for uniforms and school equipment, with three weeks of planning and two hours of running by 30 boys and girls.

The usual method of run-a-thoning is to solicit a number of sponsors to pledge \$1.00-a-mile or 10¢-a-lap, or equivalent, to a runner. Twenty or thirty pledges or more can be picked up by the same runner. It will help to have an approved signature from a school or community agency, who may have to be contacted to give sanction to the project. The trick is to get pledges from overweight adults, who don't realize how easy it is to run (or jog) several miles in an afternoon.

The runners meet at a designated track or street and the total distance run is measured by the lap or by passing thru designated check points. After the distance of each runner is verified by the sponsors, the athletes go back and collect the pledges, which is never 100% successful, but often meets with 80-90% success.

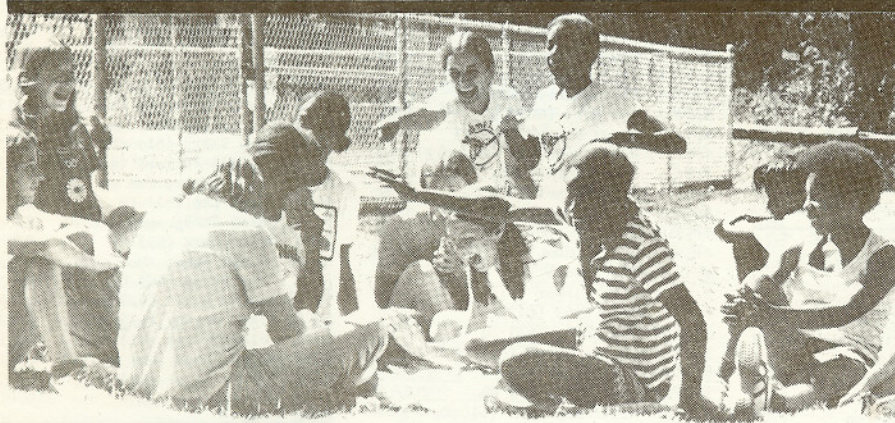
One well known team has an annual budget of \$18,000 (!) of which \$8,000 is raised by individual athletes (no dues are charged) and the remainder is raised by special projects. The number one source of income for this team is the parking lot concession (year-around) at a major sports stadium.

So if you have the ingenuity, there a multitude of ways to support your team...even in these days of inflation.

We can't resist to take this opportunity to suggest one more way of raising funds for your club or team.

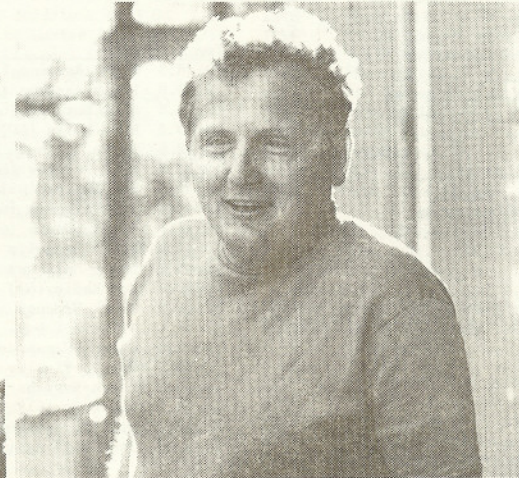
Certainly strongly to be considered should be the selling of STARTING LINE Magazines and our Annual Handbooks at meets. Do you know that you can make \$12.00 for every 25 magazines you sell (a cinch), or \$30.00 net profit for every 25 Annuals (the 1975 Handbook with over 100 pages is coming out in February)? Some clubs have tried it in the past and have had great success at their meets with our products.

Why not try it and see how easy it is.



### YOUTH SUMMER CAMP Photos by DOUG SCHWAB

Many activities were enjoyed at the very popular RIALTO ROAD RUNNERS Summer Camp, directed by dynamic DAVE JAPS (below).







Long Jump		
23-7	*Larry Low (58) Ga	3/20
23-6	*Edward Reardon (58) Mo	8/11
22-1	Barry Davis (58) Mo	8/16
22-0	*Oscar Singer (58) Oh	8/3
21-9	Dave Krueger, Ks	6/15
21-7	Ray Sims (58) Tn	5/12
21-4	Mark Jennings, Ks	6/15
21-4	Chip Benson, Ca	7/27
21-3	Mark Claypool (58) Ill	8/3
21-3	Mike Baker, Ks	6/15
21-0	V. Saine, Oh	6/8
21-0	Paul Simmons, Oh	6/8
21-0	Donald Reed (58) Co	7/14
20-11	Auyang, Pa?	6/22
20-11	Bennett Long, Pa	8/3
20-11	Carl Kennedy, Tx	5/3
20-10	Jerry Rouse, Ks	6/15
20-10	C. Briggs	7/4
20-9	Johunny Hicks, Fl	6/29
20-9	Joe Mathis, Tx	6/29

20-2	*Kevin McDonald (59) Ca	5/4
20-2	*Bruce Rivera (59) Fl	5/29
20-0	*Gene Gustad (59) Fl	5/29
19-10	*Alan Bravender (59) Ca	4/27
19-9	*Mike Murphy (59) Ca	6/22
19-9	*Paul Bates (59) Ca	5/26
19-6	*Jim Cooper (59) Ca	5/4
19-2	*Mike Caldwell (59) Ca	4/27

High Jump		
6-10	*Matt Barney (58) Az	5/18
6-6	John Barrett, Id	7/13
6-6	Kelly Johnson (58) Ca	8/3
6-5	Brent Noel, Ks	6/22
6-5	*John Kranz (59) Tx	4/1
6-5	*Audrey Tarber (59) Fl	5/17
6-5	Hall, Pa?	6/22

6-4	*Jeff Lawson (59) Ca	3/30
6-4	Brent Merriman, Or	6/2
6-4	Joe Underwood, Wa	7/13
6-4	Donald Reed (58) Co	8/3
6-3	Larry Olson, Or	6/2
6-3	Ramsey, Pa?	6/22
6-2	John Gratton, Fl	3/16
6-2	Kevin Hall (58) Ca	4/26
6-2	Mike Schnackberg, Or	6/2
6-2	Jeff Jones (58) Mo	6/8
6-2	Larry Curran, Mo	6/15
6-2	Rob Catloth, Ks	6/15
6-2	Jim Bjornson (59) Ca	8/3
6-1	John Hutchinson, Ca	3/16
6-1	Al Hunt, Oh	6/8
6-1	Mark Mattison, Oh	6/8
6-1	Anderson, Pa?	6/22
6-1	Brian Martin, Wa	7/27

Triple Jump		
48-1	*Larry Low (58) Ga	6/1
46-1	Chip Benson, Ca	7/27
45-7	Cedric Minter (58) Id	7/13
43-6	Barry Davis (58) Mo	6/15
42-5	Curtis Sells (59) Ca	8/3
42-2	Kerry Lindorfer, Ca	7/18
41-8	*Jim Cooper (59) Ca	5/4
41-7	Donald Reed (58) Co	6/23
41-5	*Kevin Yaussi (58) Ks	5/13
41-4	*Paul Bates (59) Ca	8/3
41-1	Randy Bolong, Wa	6/29
40-9	Derek Daniels, Ca	7/27
40-5	John Ventura, Ks	6/8
40-5	Bob Stone, Wa	6/29

40-5	*Gregory Woodward (59) Ca	5/4
39-6	*Mike Murphy (59) Ca	8/3
39-2	*Gene Gustad (59) Fl	8/10

Pole Vault		
14-0	*Pierre Gamache (58) Co	5/18
13-7	Tom Roberts (58) Ca	5/27
13-0	James Earnest (59) Ca	8/3
12-6	Jerry Parish, Ks	6/22
12-6	Paul Schwaegler, Wa	6/29
12-6	Jim Stewart, In	7/27
12-6	Clark Millman (58) Ca	8/3
12-4	Al Stanley, Fl	6/29
12-4	Vin Reilly, NJ	8/3
12-0	Mike Ryan, Tx	5/3
12-0	Kevin McKay, Ks	6/15
12-0	Von Peterson, Ks	6/15
12-0	Marty Steinert, Ks	6/15
12-0	Mike Sullivan (59) Ga	6/22
12-0	M. Radulski, Ca	6/22
11-6	*Greg Hansen (60) Wa	6/15

Shot Put (8 pound)		
63-11	*Roy Kofnovec (59) Tx	5/3
63-11	*Jim Favrow (59) Ks	5/30
60-5	Larry Starke, Fl	6/1
58-2	Tom Nevitt, NY	8/16
56-7	Kyle Jones (58) Wa	6/29
55-4	Alan Berg, Ca	6/8
53-3	*Bill Welch (60) Oh	6/23

Shot Put (12 pound)		
64-8	Dave Kurrasch (58) Ca	5/3
54-0	*Jim Favrow (59) Ks	5/17
51-11	Jack Wall (58) Pa	7/6
51-0	Stanley Simmons, Fl	5/29

50-7	William George, NY	6/15
50-3	D. Cummings, Ca	6/22
49-7	Mitch Church (59) Ca	7/13
49-2	Randy Fusco (59) Oh	7/6
49-0	Robert Ferare, NY	6/15
48-5	G. Tyler, Oh	6/8
47-9	Jim Garabadian, Ca	7/13
46-11	Tim Lane (58) Or	6/29
46-11	Kyle Jones (58) Wa	6/29
46-10	Mark Sutherland, Ks	6/15
46-3	Alan Qua, NY	6/15
46-1	Junior Hartig, Ks	6/15
46-0	Tom Kornegay, Ca	7/13
46-0	Tom Jasinski, NY	6/15
46-0	Jack McAdoo, Mo	6/22
46-0	Dan Weisman (58) Ca	8/3

Discus Throw (1.6 kilogram)		
153-10	*Jim Favrow (59) Ks	5/17
149-0	Jack Wall (58) Pa	7/6
148-8	Stanley Simmons, Fl	5/29
139-8	Randy Fusco (59) Oh	7/6
133-10	Steve Hackman, In	7/27
131-2	Bill Buese, Mo	6/15
127-6	Jack McAdoo, Mo	6/22
127-3	Larry Starke, Fl	6/1
125-3	Mike Dudley, Id	7/13
125-1	Kit Redman, Or	8/3
124-8	Calhoun, Fl	6/1
124-7	Alan Springer (59) Ca	8/3
124-1	*Chris Friday (59) Wa	6/29
123-0	Hueghley, Fl	6/1
122-0	Tom Kite, Ks	6/22
120-2	Pollifrone, Pa	7/6

More info needed (unknown implement)  
 124'10"-Ricky Bryant, Ga; 122'10"-Alfred Boylston, Ga; 122'8"-Joe Miscawicz, Fl; 121'9"-Carl Prioleau, Fl

## NATIONAL SIX-MINUTE RUN

McKINLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL of Muncie, Indiana, has submitted the first entries for our Postal Team contest for schools.

The runner-up school for the 1973-74 year for Intermediate (8th grade and Under) Boys, five McKinley runners totaled 21 3/4 quarter-mile laps on October 4, led by 13 year-old KEITH LEWIS and TOM LAMBERT'S 4 1/2 laps. A second team for the school went 20 1/2 laps. They plan to try again.

If you think your school can beat the rest of U.S. in physical fitness, look in the September/October issue of STARTING LINE (page 17) for contest rules or write us for sample entry blanks: P.O. Box 878, Reseda, CA 91335.

Awards will be given for Elementary (6th grade and Under) as well as Intermediate (8th grade and Under) Boys and Girls Divisions. You can try as many times as you want.

The final deadline is May 10, 1975. Good running...

## GIRLS/ SHOT & DISCUS CONTEST

Late results from summer meets have changed the standings in two divisions of our special shot put and discus contests for girls.

New team leaders in the girls age group (born in 1960 & later) discus throw is FLANAGAN CLAN, whose trio of MARIE PEACHER (85-7 1/2), LAURA YEAGER (76-5) and ROBIN IRVIN (73-2) total of 235-2 1/2, to easily supplant Creighton TC (Az) in the top spot. Creighton has a December meet coming up, so the battle may not be over.

Leadership in the Junior Girls (born in 1955 & later) shot put has been assumed by the LAWRENCE (Indiana) TRACK CLUB, last year's runner-up team. The Hoosier's PAM DAHNKE and SHARON WETTSCHRACK have shoved the 4 kg. shot 41-2 and 38-0 3/4, respectively, while teammate SHIRLEY BLUE tossed 38-2 1/2 with the eight pound orb. Adding two feet to each of the 4 kg. efforts, Lawrence has a team total of 121-5 1/4 for the three girls.

## READ THIS!

We are in the planning stages of production of the 4th Edition of our very popular STARTING LINE HANDBOOK, the only track & field Annual for Junior Age Group athletes - boys and girls.

It will cover the following subjects:

\* Listing of Best performers by Age, from age 8 and under thru age 17.  
 1974 & All-Time lists.

\* In-depth Directory of Age Group Clubs in the U.S.  
 \* Listing of JO and AAU Associations, as well as all Major Organizations.  
 \* Age Group Rules/Events.  
 \* Pages of photos from the 1974 season, w/captions.  
 \* A special feature section on the National Junior Olympic meets since it started.

It will be a 100 pager, with semi-hard cover. This will be our best Annual yet.

## Clubs

### IS YOUR CLUB OR TEAM LISTED IN OUR FILES ?

If you are not listed, write us a note and we'll send you a club's questionnaire. Remember that Meet Directors use our Directory when they mail out their entry blanks.

### DO WE HAVE YOUR AREA'S RESULTS ?

We are still missing many meet summaries, especially at the Junior Olympic level. Please forward to us whatever you can. The kids will be glad you did.

### DO WE HAVE THE BIRTHDATES OF YOUR ATHLETES ?

The most effective way to insure that we have the birthdates of your charges would be to mail a copy of your roster, if it were available.

### DO YOU HAVE ANY GOOD PHOTOS ?

We always have a need of photos. If you have some pictures of the outstanding athletes on your team that you think we may need, why not send them to us.

Our absolute deadline is January 15. You can help us speed up the production by forwarding the information requested as soon as possible.









# RRCA CROSS COUNTRY NATIONAL

Commentary by  
**KURT STEINER**

BRONX, NY - November 3



The RRCA National Championships, held on the rolling trails of Van Cortland Park, in the Bronx, attracted thousands of spectators, including the commissioner of Recreation of the City of New York, to watch another highly successful meet.

A formidable number of boys and girls competing in eleven age group divisions took part in the action. All told, 2079 athletes (!) from over 20 states came to assault the rugged freshman course, that is slightly over 1 1/2 miles.

All the officials outdid themselves to make everyone feel at home. The meet took a fast pace with two races always in progress at the same time.

Prior to the start of the meet, the RRCA '73 Age Group Award was presented to Maryland's CRAIG HALL, for his record breaking performance in last year's 9-Under race.

The highlights of this year's meet belong to the following boys and girls:

EDWARD CATALNELLO, of Metuchen, NJ, was a full minute ahead of the nearest opposition in the 6-7 division, breaking in the process Robert Ryerson's record that has stood since 1971.

JOHN LATTING came all the way from Martinez, California, to see what the competition was like. John, who was one of the stars at this year's National Boys Championships (880 and Mile titles) didn't take long to take command and win the 9-Under trophy.

The respected record of 8:57.4 in the 10-11 boys division, set by Kevin Knox, of Wasco (CA) in 1971, was broken by Yonker's sensation JIM GARDINER (8:49.6) and just missed by 2nd place finisher, National Mile Champion LESTER LYLES of the Washington CYO (DC).

The boys 12-13 division was the biggest single race ever witnessed at Van Cortland Park. At least 300 athletes started this race and all finished.

SCOTT DAHM of the Kettering Striders (Ohio) justified his reputation as a national class runner, winning the trophy in record breaking time. Behind him, EDWARD GALLAGHER (Yonkers, NY) and DON LYONS (Oswego, NY) also were under the old standard.

In the 14-15 division, the ultimate objective is to break 8:00. Only Rick Buckstadt, the current record holder, was ever able to do so in 1971. This year saw two boys break this barrier. PRESTON HART of Yonkers, just missing Buckstadt's mark of 7:53 and BILL KOURCH of Maryland (this boy's name was also spelled Kovach ??).

## Boys 6-7 (1.50 mi)

Ed Catalnello 10:26  
M.Mayers, NY 11:36  
Al.Wilson, Pa 11:39  
P.Schwasnick (6) NY 45  
Robt.Sanchez, NY :52  
Paul Grundman, NY 01  
Pat Coyne, NY 12:02  
Ed Michaels, NY :10  
Ray Washington (6) 12  
Joe Gilhoolley, NY 13  
Kerry Crowell (6) :15  
Justin Ryan, NY :15  
Tim Sullivan, NJ :17  
D.Warner, Pa 12:17  
J.Rosenthal (6) NY 17  
W.Wolyniec, NY 12:28  
C.Cooper (6) Mi 12:30

## Boys 8-9 (1.50 mi)

John Lattig 9:23.5  
Joe Sheppard, Md :36  
Joe O'Connor (8) NJ 50  
Dan Perkins, NY 9:58  
Mark Reich, OH 10:05  
Todd Gibbons (8) NJ 10  
N.Johnson (8) Mi :12  
M.Riordan, NY 10:13  
M.Ditomasso, NY :16  
T.Cargaone, NY 10:18  
D.Lapera, NY 10:20  
S.McKinney, Md 10:24  
H.Wilson, DC 10:28  
M.Cavanaugh, Va :29  
L.Crawford (8) NY :30  
K.Bond (8) NY 10:32

## Boys 10-11 (1.50mi)

Jim Gardiner 8:49.2  
Lester Lyles, DC :58  
Mike McKinney (10) 11  
Craig Hall (10) Md :24  
Ant.Johnson, Mi 9:30  
Robt.Marks, Md 9:33  
Reginald Dees, DC 34  
Darryl Bernard, Oh 5  
Chris Sherwin, DC 36  
T.Washington (10) Pa 8  
R.Catalnello (10) NJ 9  
Bob Ryerson (10) Md 40  
B.Kesteben, DC 9:41  
T.Hughes (10) Pa 9:42  
J.Macri (10) NY 9:43  
A.Flood, DC 9:44  
M.Weiss, Oh 9:45  
A.Franklin (10) Md :46  
D.McRae, NY 9:47  
C.Jackson, DC 9:48  
K.Simpson, NJ 9:50  
J.Henehan (10) NY :51  
J.Clark, Pa 9:52  
J.McCormick (10) Pa 3  
P.Hansen, NJ 9:54

## Boys 12-13 (1.50mi)

Scott Dahm, O 8:16.8  
Ed Gallagher, NY :22  
Don Lyons, NY 8:31  
M.Kohlbenner, NJ :33  
Brian Pharr, Pa 8:39  
Marc Soltis, Pa 8:41  
J.McLoughlin, Pa :42  
Richard Moore, NY 46  
Mike Burnish, NY :53  
John Keeney, Md 8:55  
R.Franklin (12) Md 56

J.Birch, DC 8:57  
C.Roy, NJ 8:59  
L.Wittichen, Md 9:00  
F.Lozone, DC 9:01  
T.O'Toole (12) NY :02  
M.McCarthy (12) NJ 02  
D.Saunders, DC 9:03  
J.Whitehead, NY 9:04  
M.Dobereiner (12) NY 5  
H.McDaniels, Pa 9:06  
J.Rosenthal (12) NY 06  
A.Toboy (12) NY 9:07  
B.Hull, Oh 9:08  
R.Willis (12) NJ 9:09

## Boys 14-15 (1.50mi)

Preston Hart 7:55.1  
Bill Kourch, Md 7:58  
Scott Ward (14) NJ 09  
Tom Grimes 8:10  
Joe Logan, NJ 8:13  
John Brown, NY 8:14  
Ray O'Neill, NY 8:17  
Chris Lockett, Md 20  
Chris Hill, Md 8:21  
Rich Coffin, Md 8:25  
Don McFarlin, NY :28  
G.Green (14) 8:29  
P.Toomey 8:30  
N.Garcia (14) NY 8:31  
B.Shapiro 8:32  
M.Yurko, NY 8:33  
M.Johnson (14) :34  
S.Colton, Md 8:36  
P.Carroll (14) NJ :37  
E.Gervaris, NY 8:38  
D.Rooney (14) NY 8:39

## Girls 6-7 (1.50 mi)

Gretta Kim, Md 11:43  
Val Anderson, Md :57  
Jennie Marks, Pa :57  
Susan Stahl, Md :59  
A.McCarthy (6) Pa :00  
T.Wilson (6) DC 12:16  
C.McCarthy, Pa 12:17

## Girls 8-9 (1.50 mi)

Davida Jackson 9:58  
Sherri Graham, Va 09  
Pat Wilson (8) Pa :24  
Stephanie Coe, Mi 45  
Carlyn Watson, Pa 50  
Karen Wilson, Pa :55  
K.Tinsley (8) Mi 10:58  
Patti Quinn, NY 11:03  
Rita Schrader, NY 04  
Maureen Conroy, NY 6  
Kim VanHeldin (8) :07  
Lena Richardson :07  
L.Foxworth, Pa 11:08  
J.Warrington, DC :10  
M.Bocoly, Pa 11:10  
K.Bronn (8) Mi 11:13  
D.Weiss, Oh 11:14  
D.Sague, Pa 11:15  
C.Raley, DC 11:21  
K.Wiley, Pa 11:21  
J.Fenstenmaker (8) 5

## Girls 10-11 (1.5mi)

Kim Gallagher 9:31  
Kim Campbell, DC :35  
Val Fisher, Pa 9:50  
Robyn Wilson, Pa :56

Beth Fisher, Pa 9:57  
M.Schmitt, Pa 10:02  
Michelle Smartt, Mi 9  
Tracy Grant, DC 10:11  
Trisha Wilson, DC 11  
Kim Rouesseau, NJ 18  
T.Richardson, Pa :21  
G.Spaylder (10) Pa 22  
S.Ruiz, Oh 10:23  
B.Drake, Pa 10:23  
C.Dunn, NJ 10:27  
T.Harrar, Pa 10:28  
C.Delore, DC 10:29  
J.Mirkin, DC 10:30  
B.Fischer, Pa 10:30  
L.Williams (10) Pa 34  
A.Robinson, Pa 10:35  
M.Byrne, NY 10:36  
E.Leale, NY 10:37  
N.Dahm, Oh 10:40  
J.Lea, DC 10:42

## Girls 12-13 (1.5mi)

Donna Campbell 8:54  
Jill Haworth, Md :13  
Aileen O'Connor, Md 4  
Robin Powell, Md 9:33  
Kris Baldwin, Pa :35  
Pam Dutton, Pa 9:35  
Carlyn Kennedy, Pa 8  
Lindy Yeager, Oh :39  
Tita Lewis, DC 9:46  
Linda Nash, NY 9:47  
Rose Richardson, P 9  
Janet Smartt (12) Mi 0  
Joetta Clark (12) NJ 1  
Kate Martin, Va 9:52  
R.Criswell, Md 9:52

B.Anderson (12) 9:53  
J.Schaffer (12) 9:54  
A.Sweigert, Pa 9:55  
S.Suhr 10:00  
D.Macreno, Mi 10:05  
S.Osborne, NY 10:06  
B.Wheeler, Oh 10:09  
K.Gorman (12) NJ :09  
T.Drzal (12) NY :09  
R.Felix, NY 10:12

## Girls 14-15 (1.5mi)

Donna Gardiner 9:16  
Nancy Frank (14) NY 21  
Debbie Mueller, Ms 5  
Jannie Brown, NJ :29  
K.O'Toole (14) NY :33  
Sue Long (14) NJ 9:38  
Kathy Conroy, DC :39  
Dolores Jackson :52  
Maryanne McKay, NY 5  
Leslie Miller, Pa 57  
Shelley Nelson, Pa 8  
M.Caiazza, NY 10:07  
R.Davis, NY 10:10  
D.DelVecchio (14) NY 1  
E.Howard, Pa 10:13  
R.Coiro, NY 10:14  
P.Collins (14) Ms :16  
S.De Lato (14) NY :20  
N.Robinson (14) Ms 21  
K.Chavis (14) 10:21  
E.Howard (15) Pa :23  
K.Kobza, NY 10:29  
P.Montgomery, Me :32

In the girl's races, 7 year-old GRETA KIM of Laurel, MD, won her race with ease in 11:43. DAVIDA JACKSON of the CYO Washington, DC, took the 8-9 division, missing the old standard by 8 tenths, followed closely by SHERRI GRAHAM of the Roanoke Valley TC (VA).

KIM GALLAGHER (Ambler, PA) and KIM CAMPBELL (Washington, DC) engaged in a heated duel in the 10-11 group, with the Ambler Olympic Club gal just ahead.

DONNA CAMPBELL of Sports International lead her teammates JILL HAWORTH and EILEEN O'CONNOR to a 1-2-3 sweep, for the girls outstanding team performance. In the process, Donna also broke her sister's Robin '72 record.

DONNA GARDINER of the Padukies (PA) won the girls 14-15 division, just missing the record of Robin Perry, back in 1972. She was followed by NANCY FRANK who led her Long Island Golden Spikes team (NY) to a division trophy.

RRCA Championship trophies and medals were awarded in 16 divisions (including the master and open races), and additional medals and trophies were given to all finishers in each age group.

The curtain closed before the rain came towards the end of the meet. Just in closing, it should be mentioned that 54 year-young TED CORBITT (a legend in itself) who placed third in the Veteran's division (40-Over) after winning the 50 mile Masters title the day before, still found time to assist at the meet the entire afternoon, helping the officials at the finish line. There seems to be always enough time to help for those who care enough.



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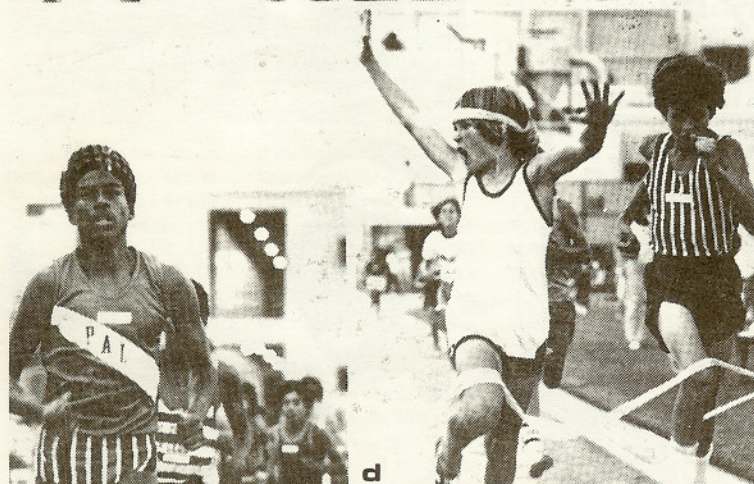
- A) 14-15 race between eventual winner PRESTON HART (right) and BILL KOURCH
- B) Girls 8-9 winner DAVIDA JACKSON, Wash.DC
- C) JANNIE BROWN (391) and SUE LONG (387) at this point leading 1st placer DONNA GARDINER (146) in the 14-15 Girls race
- D) 6-7 overwhelming winner ED CATALNELLO
- E) 10-11 star JIM GARDINER leads LESTER LYLES into finish chute, in record time.



**PICTORIAL FLASH BACK  
of THE BOYS NATIONALS**

PHOTOGRAPHY BY  
**DON CHADEZ  
AND BRUCE HERSHEY**

**a** Spectators display enthusiastic response to the great competition - **b** The devastating relay team of the COLUMBUS COMMUNITY TC, also known as the "Four horsemen of the Apocalypse" ! - **c** Tall and lanky 880 Champion, NATHANIEL CHRISTIAN (Denver PAL) - **d** 10 year-old DOUG DUNBAR (Blue Angels, CA), the jubilant winner in the 660, just edging out pre-race favorite CHARLES MATTSON (Jeffco TC, CO) - **e** Beautiful young sprint star DENNIS PRICE of Long Beach (CA), the 220 champ and record holder - **f** Shot Put Prodigy JIM BANISH (Jeffco TC, CO), the Age 10 record holder at 40-10 - **g** Iowa's MICHAEL DIMENT, the outstanding 12-13 miler of the year and new Record holder with 4:38.8.



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## EASTERN STATES



Padukie's PAM DUTTON is trailing, at this point, Long Island Golden Spikes' NANCY FRANK. Pam came on towards the end to edge Nancy in a very close and disputed finish. /Photo - DON McINTYRE/

### OCEANHILL CHEETAHS GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY BRONX, NY - September 22 - from Hugo Pruter

Invaders from Philadelphia (the Padukies) showed their strength by winning all four divisions individually, and completely sweeping the two youngest age groups.

Padukies Junior DONNA GARDNER ran 15:51 for a 19 second win in the Women's race (14-Over) and teammate PAM DUTTON edged NANCY FRANK of the Long Island Golden Spikes, after a furious battle in the 12-13 class.

/Site: Van Cortland Park; Weather: sunny, temperate; Total finishers: 163/ Age Group Results:

<b>Girls 9 &amp; Under (1.0 mile)</b>	Alma Leak, Padukies 8:06
Gloria Woods, Padukies 6:50	Graceann Di Fiore, SIJ 8:08
Lena Richardson, Pad 6:56	(54 Finishers)
Lisa Foxworth, Padukies 7:02	<b>Girls 12-13 (1.50 miles)</b>
Marlene Boegly, Padukies 7:05	Pam Dutton, Padukies 8:52
Kim Wiley, Padukies 7:14	Nancy Frank, LI Golden S 8:54
Lisa Perkins, Padukies 7:24	Regina Felix, Oceanhill 9:28
Carrie Stumaker, SI Jets 7:25	Kim Chavis, Oceanhill Ch 9:30
Doreen Urbass, SI Jets 7:25	Sharon Hughes, Padukies 9:31
(24 Finishers)	Joette Clark, Cen Jersey 9:37
<b>Girls 10-11 (1.25 miles)</b>	Susan Suhr, LI Golden Sp 9:40
Ronnie Gallashaw, Pad 7:22	Rosie Richardson, Pad 9:42
Val Fisher, Padukies 7:23	Cathy Anderson, LIGS 9:43
Tanya Richardson, Pad 7:32	Martha Mingués, Atoms 9:57
Gwen Spurlock, Padukies 7:41	Lee Kornberger, LIGS 9:59
Lisa Williams, Padukies 7:42	Nancy Taffe, LIGS 10:00
Denise Davis, Padukies 7:44	Sheila Palo, Padukies 10:02
Rochelle Hall, Oceanhill :49	(44 Finishers)
Maryann Williams, SIJ 7:55	<b>Leading Teams</b>
Cathy Taffe, LI Golden Sp 58	Long Is Golden Spikes 41
Sherrie Sharpe, Pad 8:00	Padukies 46
Janice Brady, SI Jets 8:01	Oceanhill Cheetahs 88
Emma Leale, LI Golden Sp :04	Staten Island Jets 89

### CYO OPEN BOYS & GIRLS AGE GROUP CROSS COUNTRY MEET GREENBELT, MD - September 28 - from Granger Ancarrow

Disagreeable weather failed to dampen the enthusiasm of youngsters from Sports International, DC CYO and Laurel, Maryland who came to the meet in spite of pouring rain!

/Site: Greenbelt Lake Park - muddy course; Weather: pouring rain, 70°, slight wind; Total finishers: 71/ Leading age groupers:

**Boys 9 & Under (1.2 miles):** Joe Sheppard (Laurel B&GC) 8:01, Henry Wilson (DC CYO) 8:03, Stan McKinley (Model Cities) 8:39;

<b>Boys 10-11 (2.4 miles)</b>	<b>Girls 10-11 (1.2 miles)</b>
Craig Hall, Sports Intl 15:01	Kim Campbell, Sp Intl 8:05
Lester Lyles, DC CYO 15:11	Jiwa Lea, DC CYO 8:06
Chris Sherman, Sp Intl 15:19	Tracey Grant, DC CYO 8:08
Tom Wiltison, Laurel 15:24	

<b>Boys 12-13 (2.4 miles)</b>	<b>Girls 12-13 (2.4 miles)</b>
Gene Mirkin, DC CYO 14:55	Donna Campbell, Sp Intl 15:20
David Saunders, DC CYO 15:07	Sue Haworth, Sports Int 15:27
Ron Franklin, Model Cit 15:36	Aileen O'Connor, Sp Int 15:34
Richard Franklin, M C 16:17	Rita Lewis, Sports Intl 16:02
	Rachel Cuswell, Sp Int 16:03

**Girls 7 & Under (1.2 mi):** Greta Kim (Laurel) 9:35; **Girls 8-9 (1.2 mi):** Davida Jackson (DC CYO) 8:16, Sherry Graham (Roanoke Valley TC) 8:50

### ALLEGHENY MOUNTAIN AAU AGE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIPS MT LEBANON, PA - October 26 - from Hollis McDaniels.

MIKE RENCHECK of Burgettstown and JO ANN HALL from Dormont had huge winning margins, and the Mount Lebanon Athletic Association took three team titles in the boys divisions.

/Course: hilly, mostly grass and some asphalt; Weather: 55°; Total runners: 200/ Leading runners:

<b>Boys 9 &amp; Under (1.0 mile)</b>	<b>Girls 9 &amp; Under (1.0 mile)</b>
Chris Nabors, Mt Leb TC 6:23	Dolores Patrick, Latrobe 6:50
Jay Youse, Mt Lebanon TC 6:32	Laura Donnellan, Bethel 6:54
David Lindsey, Mt Leb AA 6:41	Hannah Russell, ML AA 6:59
Joe Meyer, Mt Lebanon AA 6:43	Jayne Armstrong, Dormont 7:03
	Lou Ann Hughes, Dormont 7:07
<b>Boys 10-11 (1.50 miles)</b>	<b>Girls 10-11 (1.50 miles)</b>
Roy Swintek, Bethel Park 9:17	Robin Wormsley, Nw Image 9:39
Mark Yonish, Bethel Park 9:20	Sheila Boyer, New Image 9:49
Mickey Rihtarchik, ML AA 9:30	Sherrie Lovelace, NI 10:04
David Martinelli, ML AA 9:51	Janine Wurtzer, Dormont 10:08
Pat Russell, Mt Leb AA 10:03	Lori Lenz, Latrobe 10:11
Tom Welsh, Mt Leb AA 10:04	
<b>Boys 12-13 (2.0 miles)</b>	<b>Girls 12-13 (2.0 miles)</b>
Mike Rencheck, Burget'n 12:24	Jo Ann Hall, Dormont 12:39
Larry Gray, Mt Leb TC 12:55	Diane Reed, Dormont 13:07
Hollis McDaniels, ML AA 13:11	Mary Jo Davis, Latrobe 13:14
Brian Matthews, ML AA 13:20	Shelly Lester, Nw Image 13:15
David Kelly, Mt Leb AA 13:29	Marsha Neurohr, Latrobe 13:24
Louis Frank, Mt Leb AA 13:30	Joan Hazlip, New Image 13:28
<b>Boys 14-15 (2.50 miles)</b>	<b>Girls 14-15 (2.50 miles)</b>
Richard Wagner 15:14	Patty Hall, Dormont 17:33
Jim Blettner, CXI 15:24	Kathleen Hall, Dormont 17:41
Ray Bukauskas 15:33	Sue Kovalik, Latrobe 17:49
Matt Schuerger, ML TC 15:35	Lisa Loftis 18:10

### TOWSON YMCA CROSS COUNTRY MEET TOWSON, MD - November 3 - from Art St. Martin

Elementary age boys and girls competed in a series of one mile races, with Linthicum and Glendale dominating.

/Total finishers: 41/ Leading runners:

**Boys 7-Under:** Lou Martinez (Glendale) 8:15; **Boys 8-9:** John Martinez (GI) 7:00, Andrew Ferguson (Rogers Forge) 7:24; **Boys 10-11:** Carlos Martinez (GI) 6:10; **Girls 7-Under:** Katie Der-ring (Linthicum) 7:27; **Girls 10-11:** Karen Pilgrim (L) 6:47, Amy Childs (L) 7:00, Jenny Baker (L) 7:08

**MAHOPAC SPORTS ASSOCIATION CROSS COUNTRY MEET**  
 MAHOPAC, NY - October 6 - from Bill Burns

A huge turnout of runners and nearly 500 spectators attest to the popularity of the local grade school cross country run, which are a part of an open series for fourth thru eight graders.

/Total finishers: 212/ Leading runners:

Fourth Grade Boys (0.5mi): Andy Palmiotto (Mahopac Falls) 3:46, Edward Kehoe (Lakeview) 3:47, Paul John Dellatorra (Lkv) 3:49, Robby Hetzel (No Salem) 3:51...41 finishers;  
Fifth Grade Boys (0.75mi): Matthew Richardson (French Hill) 4:43, Brian Martucci (FH) 4:46, Greg Ached (Purdys) 4:49...30;

Sixth Grade Boys (1.0mi): Frank Reyes (Blessed Eliz Ann Seat-on) 6:01, Tommy Edwards (FH) 6:02, Tom Stahl (Copper Beach MS) 6:03, Chris Eckenberg (Westlake MS) 6:04...24 finishers;  
Seventh Grade Boys (1.25mi): Steve Malueg (Strang MS) 7:45, Neil Casey (Mahopac JHS) 7:53, Bob Savage (CBMS) 7:55...18

Eighth Grade Boys (1.50mi): Billy Heuschkel (NS)...10 finish.

Fourth Grade Girls (0.5mi): Margaret Kralik (T Jefferson) 2:51, J-anne Krebe (St James, Carmel) 2:56...30 finishers;

Fifth Grade Girls (0.5mi): Patty Mills (NS) 2:49, Marion Riche (NS) 2:51, Loraine Simonek (G Washington) 2:53...27 fin;

Sixth Grade Girls (0.75mi): Sue Hillery (Lkv) 5:02...11 fin;

Seventh & Eighth Grade Girls (1.0mi): Mary Edwards 6:00, Colleen Hillery 6:11, Debbie Schramm 6:17 (all Mah JHS)...21 fin.

Photo/VITO DITOMMASO



The very talented and successful young team of the VALLEY STREAM POLICE BOYS CLUB, New York.

**VALLEY STREAM AGE GROUP CROSS COUNTRY RUNS**  
 VALLEY STREAM, NY - October 21 - from Kurt Steiner

Nearly 400 runners of all ages prepped for the RRCA National age group runs in two hours of 1 1/2 mile runs.

Runners from New Hyde Park (Police Boys Club and Notre Dame Track Team) and Valley Stream dominated the top places. The outstanding family has to be the McCONNELL clan of the Parkside Panthers of Rexford, NY, who placed four of their members in the top six in their division, including "veteran" dad MAL McCONNELL.

/Site: Hendrickson Park; Weather dry, cloudy, 40°;  
 Sponsor: New York RRC; Race Directors: Barry Geisler, Pierce Keane and Vito DiTommaso/ Results:

Boys 6-7 (1.50 miles)  
 Peter Schwasnick, VSPBC 10:34  
 Eddie Michaels, NHP PBC 10:40  
 Jay Rosenthal, NHP PBC 10:43  
 Kerry Crowell, VS PBC 10:51  
 (24 Finishers)

Boys 8-9 (1.50 miles)  
 Michael DiTommaso, VSPBC 9:01  
 Gregg McConnell, ParksideP 10  
 Scott Oliver, VS PBC 9:17  
 (44 Finishers)

Boys 10-11 (1.50 miles)  
 Jim Gardiner, Yonkers 8:19.1  
 Joe Macri, Nw Hyde Pk PBC :27  
 Ronald Geisler, Bronx 8:42  
 Tim Manning, Vly StreamPBC 51  
 John Krupa, NHP PBC 8:58  
 Joseph Henehan, NHP PBC 9:01  
 Michael D'Angelo, VS PBC 9:03  
 (46 Finishers)

Boys 12-13 (1.50 miles)  
 Richard Moore, N Dame 7:54.3  
 Timmy O'Toole, VS PBC 8:06  
 Bill D'Angelo, VS PBC 8:10  
 Chris Heimbach, Englewood :12  
 Paul O'Toole, VS PBC 8:17  
 Peter Muellers, VS PBC 8:20  
 (34 Finishers)

Boys 14-15 (1.50 miles)  
 Steve McConnell, PP 7:27.8  
 Jens Husslein, CollegePt 7:52  
 John O'Sullivan, Col Pt 7:59  
 (7 Finishers)

Girls 8-9 (1.50 miles)  
 Rita Schrader, NHP PBC 9:46  
 Robin Platis, NHP PBC 9:56  
 Debbie Kennedy, NHP PBC 10:06  
 Keirnan O'Toole, LIGS 10:10  
 Kim Van Heldin, NHP PBC 10:16  
 Carolyn Sonnenberg, NHP PBC 18  
 (24 Finishers)

Girls 10-11 (1.50 miles)  
 Kathy Taffe, LIGS 9:24.2  
 Emma Leale, LIGS 9:28  
 Jeanne Erkman, Notre Dame :34  
 Anne Hagan, NHP PBC 9:40  
 Donna Fox, College Pt AC 9:52  
 Eileen Keily, LIGS 9:54  
 Virginia Sonnenberg, NHP PBC 5  
 Sheila Ellison, Parkside 9:57  
 (40 Finishers)

Girls 12-13 (1.50 miles)  
 Kathy Anderson, LIGS 8:38.8  
 Barbara Anderson, LIGS 8:48  
 Lisa Kornberger, LIGS 8:54  
 Nancy Taffe, LIGS 9:06  
 Diana Caiazza, Suffolk AC :14  
 (22 Finishers)

Girls 14-15 (1.50 miles)  
 Kelly O'Toole, LIGS 8:13  
 Nancy Frank, LIGS 8:16  
 Regina Coira, LIGS 8:35  
 Mandy Caiazza, Suffolk 8:35  
 (16 Finishers)

Boys & Girls 5-Under/0.2 mi: Eugene Rogers (New Hyde Park Police Boys Club) 1:28, Tracey Crowell (Valley Stream PBC) 1:29;  
Girls 6-7/1.50 mi: Shawneen O'Toole (Long Is Golden Spikes) 11:31.8; Open (16-Over, juniors only)/3.0 mi...4-Frank Crooms (Queensborough CC) 15:28...21-Cathy Greene (LIGS) 17:32...25-Ricky Ross (Suffolk AC) 18:14...45 finishers.

**JERSEY AC GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**  
 BAYONNE, NJ - October 6 - from San Fryczynski

The top places were well divided between New Hyde Park Track Club, Staten Island Jets and Oceanhill Cheetahs in this continually growing Metropolitan AAU girls age group program.

/Weather: clear, 70°, windless; Total finishers: 90/  
 Age Group Leaders:

Girls 9 & Under (1.0 mile)  
 Rita Schrader, N Hyde Pk 7:01  
 Joan Fenstermaker, NHP 7:12  
 Regina Fields, NY PAL 7:28  
 Carrie Stumacher, SI Jets :42  
 Dorene Urbass, Stat Is Jet 42  
 (16 Finishers)

Girls 10-11 (1.50 miles)  
 Lydia Fucci, Jersey AC 10:00  
 Jeanne Erkmann, N Hyde Pk :16  
 Maryann Williams, SI Jets :17  
 Rochelle Hall, Oceanhill :23

Janice Brady, SI Jets 10:24  
 Graceann Di Fiore, SIJ 10:31  
 Donna Fox, College Pt 10:42  
 (27 Finishers)

Girls 12-13 (2.0 miles)  
 Kim Chavis, Oceanhill C 13:45  
 Martha Minguets, Atoms 13:49  
 Debbie McManus, SI Jets 14:17  
 Michelle Davis, SI Jets 14:28  
 Dorothy Chavis, Oceanhill :46  
 Diane Vaccaro, SI Jets 15:07  
 Francine Olexa, Coll Pt 15:14  
 (27 Finishers)

**WESTCHESTER COACHES ASSN. GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL MEET**  
 CROTON POINT, NY - October 19 - from Will Burns

Eastern States seem to be the leaders in girls inter-scholastic cross country.

This Westchester county meet drew a good field, which was dominated teamwise by Scarsdale High School and a tight individual battle between winner BRIDGETTE BENNETT and runner-up GINNY WERLE in the 1.5 mile race.

/Weather: clear, 47°/ Leading runners and teams:

Bridget Bennett (Hastings HS) 9:05.4, Ginny Werle (John Jay) 9:06.7, Barbara Nicol (Sleepy Hollow) 9:12, Kathy Law (Hendrick Hudson) 9:16, Leah Rosenbott (Scarsdale) 9:20, Robin Gilmore-Burns (Dobbs Ferry) 9:21, Jean Kerr (Byram Hills) 9:21  
 Sue Mazer (Sc) 9:28, Alice Egler (Pleasantville) 9:29, Ellen Van Dyne (Pine Plains) 9:30, Susan Lelotte (SH) 9:32, Dawn Capote (Ossining) 9:34, Diane Lewis (HH) 9:36, Doris Johnson (JJ) 9:39...56 finishers;

Leading Teams: Scarsdale HS 76, H Hudson 104, Mamaroneck 123



# SOUTHERN STATES

REGION NINE JUNIOR OLYMPIC CROSS COUNTRY  
HOUSTON, TX - November 16 - from Herman Goldberg



South Texas and Gulf Associations rovided most of the individual winners, but the Southern Association ended up with the most top placers, as boys and girls from Texas and Louisiana qualified for the National Championships.

/Weather: partly cloudy, 60°/ Top Results:

## Bantam (9-U) Boys

Scott Lucas, G 6:03  
Arzell McCoy, S 6:07  
Aaron Ramirez, G 6:08  
Mike Wills, G 6:27

## Midget (10-11) Boys

Craig Smajstrla 8:05  
Larry Butcher, S 8:14  
Jay Butcher, S 8:37  
Bobby Lucas, G 8:49

## Junior (12-13) Boys

Brian Rawson, ST 9:26  
Paul Garvey, G 9:33  
Pat Curley, S 9:54

## Bantam (9-U) Girls

Janet Davis, S 6:32  
Gayle Alexander, G 45  
Belinda Rojas, ST :50  
Stephanie Young, S 53  
Becky Griffan, G 6:58

## Midget (10-11) Girls

Kathy Culwell, SW 8:22  
Tara Arnold, S 8:27  
Mickey Perry, ST 8:52  
Teresa Maristany, S 54

## Junior (12-13) Girls

Barbara Drain, SW 9:42

Julee King, ST 9:43  
Carol Quartano, S :58  
Jackie Smith, G 10:17  
Pam LeBlanc, S 10:18  
Ana Maristany, S :23  
Shelia LaBome, G :24

## Int. (14-15) Girls

Teresa Brown, ST 13:37  
Gwen Smith, G 13:49  
Susan Midkiff, ST 14:00

## Senior (16-17) Girls

Susan Abernathy B:14  
Desi Dionne, WT 13:51

FLORIDA GOLD COAST AAU CROSS COUNTRY  
MIAMI, FL - September - from Eli Gagich

/Site: Miami Dade CC, South; Total finishers:40;  
Leading runners:

Boys 9-Under (0.75mi): Joey Negron (Miami Run-for-Fun) 5:44, Darryl Daniels (Richmond Perrine TC) 5:49...7 finishers; Boys 10-11 (1.0mi): Ernest Oriente (Westchester Optimist) 5:55; Boys 12-13 (1.5mi): Bob Shackelford 8:52, Glenn Murphy 9:48, Peter Gregory (RP) 9:59...10 finishers; Boys 14-15 (2.0mi): Will Anguish 12:45; Girls 12-13 (1.5mi): Farah Brown (RP) 10:51, Arlene Boyd (RP) 10:52

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/Site: Tamiami Park; Total finishers:38/ Top Runners:

Boys 9-Under (0.75mi): Joey Negron (Miami Run-for-Fun) 4:46; Boys 10-11 (1.0mi): Mike Brown 6:20, Ernest Oriente (Westchester Optimist) 6:34; Boys 12-13 (2.0mi): Bob Shackelford 12:46, Glen Murphy 13:18; Boys 14-15 (2.5mi): Josh Meduin 14:36; Girls 9-Under (0.75mi): Sharon Wrinkle (Southwest TC) 5:31; Girls 10-11 (1.0mi): Sharon Chiong (MREFF) 7:01; Girls 12-13 (2.0mi): Farah Brown (Richmond Perrine TC) 14:51

ALIEF TRACK CLUB CROSS COUNTRY  
ALIEF, TX - September 14 - from Herman Goldberg

/Site: Bellarie & Synott - dirt road; Weather: humid, cloudy, windless; Meet Director: Jerry Montgomery/  
Top finishers:

Boys 9-Under (0.75mi): Troy Lewin 4:46, Barry Morris 4:47; (1.0mi): Chris Panel 6:30; Boys 10-11 (1.0mi): Mike Lee 7:04  
Boys 12-13 (1.5mi): Bobby Lucas 9:23; Boys 14-15 (2.0mi): John Bowser 11:41; Girls 10-11 (1.5mi): Rhonda Acker 9:50, Susan Acker 9:50; (1.0mi): Lezli Boggs 7:00

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION JUNIOR OLYMPIC CROSS COUNTRY  
ORLANDO, FL - November 9 - from Don Sobanko

/Site: Robinswood Junior High School - heavy sand, down and uphill; Weather: 70°, winds 15-25mph, cloudy; Local Sponsor: Blazerette Track Club & Walsie Waed Girls Club/  
Results:

Junior (12-13) Boys (1.5mi): Robert Phillipy (Clearwater) 8:42  
Jeff McCann (Cl) 8:45, Robert Irving (Orlando) 8:48, Dan Buning (Cl) 8:48.5...9 finishers; Intermediate (14-15) Boys (2.0 mi): Johnny Tyler (Apopka) 10:26, Bruce Caldwell (Casselberry) 10:27, Mike Thurston (Cl) 10:45, Todd Clugy (Cl) 11:04...14 finishers; Senior (16-17) Boys (3.0mi): Mike Devereaux (St Petersburg) 16:31, Larry Williamson (Or) 16:51...10 finishers;

Bantam (9-U) Girls (1.0mi): Tina Heller (Or) 7:56; Midget (10-11) Girls (1.0mi): Gina Mankanyer (Or) 8:45; Junior (12-13) Girls (1.5mi): Patti Sobanko (Or) 10:49

GULF ASSOCIATION JUNIOR OLYMPIC CROSS COUNTRY  
ALIEF, TX - November 9 - from Herman Goldberg

/Site: Synott Road - wet ground; Weather: cloudy, winds 10-15mph; Total runners: 54/ Leading results:

Bantam (9-U) Boys (1.0mi): Scott Lucas (Alief TC) 6:04, Chris Panel (Al) 6:11, Mike Wills (Al) 6:14; Midget (10-11) Boys (1.25mi): Craig Smajstrla 7:10, Bobby Lucas (Al) 7:48, Mark Stein (Al) 8:00; Bantam Girls (1.0mi): Gayle Alexander (Al) 6:25, Becky Griffan (Al) 6:42; Midget Girls (1.25mi): Jackie Smith (BT Washington) 7:50, Rhonda Acker (Al) 8:09; Junior (12-13) Girls (1.5mi): Jackie Smith (Houston Astrobelles) 9:08, Shelia Labome (HAB) 9:31, Pam Ballard (HAB) 9:32; Intermediate (14-15) Girls (2.0mi): Susan Bicknell (Cameron) 13:44; Senior (16-17) Girls (2.0mi): Susan Abernathy 12:57, Renelda England 13:28

# MIDWESTERN STATES

GOLDEN TRIANGLE INVITATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY  
YPSILANTE, MI - September 29 - from Bob Parks



**PAL CINDERETTES INVITATIONAL GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**  
FORT WAYNE, IN - September 7 - from Philip MacHarg

/Course: flat; Weather: warm, cloudy/ Leading runners:

Girls 9-Under (1+ mi): Tracy Fagan (Palos Hills TC) 7:06, Lori Vultaggio (Lipke TC) 7:14, Kathy Keupa (PH) 7:20, M.Sullivan (Terre Haute TC) 7:25, Pam Collins (Burbank Str) 7:39;

Girls 10-11 (1.50mi): Andrea Collins (Bur) 8:08, Dawn Hess (Bur) 8:43, Lee Ann Yanik (Lpk) 8:48; Girls 12-13 (2.9+ mi): Val Eaton (PH) 19:14, Jill Wanka (PH) 19:49, Laura Mariner (Bur) 19:57; Girls 14-0/juniors (3.9m): Ella Willis (Lpk) 28:35

**LIPKE CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL**  
DETROIT, MI - August 31 - from Joe Smetanka

/Site: Osborn High School; Weather: partly sunny, 75°; Total finishers: 191, from Michigan, Illinois and Ontario, Canada/ Results:

Boys 9-Under (1.0mi): Michael Mills (SUS Olympians) 6:06, Greg Vaughn (Burbank Striders) 6:10, Ricky Scialo (Bur) 6:14, Neil Raynsford (Owen Sound, Canada) 6:24...team (first three score): Bur 11, SUS 14...17 finishers

Boys 10-11 (1.0mi): Ken Behnke (Saginaw TC) 5:59, B.McNabb (OS) 6:03, T.Brown (OS) 6:07...OS 14 (first 3)...10 finishers;  
Boys 12-13 (2.0mi): Keith Murphy (Bur) 11:08.4, S.Turner (Sarnia TC, Can) 12:03, Jeff Stark (Golden Triangle) 12:24...15 ran

Girls 9-U (1.0mi): Lori Vultaggio (Lipke TC) 6:20, Lynne Lager (Lpk) 6:37, Kim Rench (Bur) 6:37.5...Bur (5 score) 31...16 finishers; Girls 10-11 (1.0mi): Andrea Collins (Bur) 5:54, Pam Mills (SUS) 5:59, Laurie Call 6:05...20 finishers

Girls 12-13 (2.0mi): Deanna Macreno (SUS) 12:25.1, Lynne Forsyth (Sar) 12:29, Debbie Lager (Lpk) 12:47...20 finishers;  
Girls 14-Over/juniors only (2.0mi): Mary Ann Opalewski (Fleet Feet) 11:05.9, Sue Parks (GT) 11:25, Rochelle Collins (Motor City TC)...23 finishers

Harriers from Illinois, Ohio and Michigan split the honors at the cross country capital of the United States. Running on the swift Eastern Michigan University courses, the Burbank Striders captured three age group team races, while their compatriots Palos Hills Track Club garnered two individual wins in the girls races. The Fox Valley Striders didn't go home empty handed, as TRACY WEBER made off with the girls 12-13 title, while the Fleet feet TC showed its usual display of Girl power, taking three of the four division titles.

MARY ANN OPALEWSKI was "no-contest" in the 14-15 race, showing she is one of the top "leather-lungers" in the midwest. The Kettering Striders of Ohio provided two individual winners in the boys races, with SCOTT KEIFFER (winning a close one) and SCOTT DAHM, a national class runner who took 40 seconds over his nearest opposition.

The Mound Track Club of Miamisburg (Ohio) took the boys 10-11 team contest, won individually by Detroit Strider's RODNEY WILLIAMS.

/Total finishers., all divisions: 297/ Age Group Results:

Boys 9 & Under (1.0 mile)

Scott Keifer, Ketter'g	5:55.6
Greg Vaughn, Burbank	5:59
Mark Reichl, Kettering	6:11
Keith Healy, Burbank	6:12
Rick Scialo, Burbank	6:16
Kevin Slaton, Mound TC	6:25
Chris Gable, Golden Tri	6:29
Norman Johnson, Motor C	6:30
Brian Behnke, Saginaw	6:32
Devin Hart, Wolverines	6:33
Kevin Dahm, Kettering	6:34
Mike Renehan, SUS Olympian	6:35
Jerry Blaney, Burbank	6:37

(41 Finishers)

Leading Teams

Burbank Striders (Ill)	47
Golden Triangle (Mich)	91

Boys 10-11 (1.50 miles)

Rodney Williams, D Str	9:08.2
Antonio Johnson, Motor C	9:18
Rod King, Mound	9:19
Darryl Bernard, Kett'ing	9:20
Mark Weiss, Kettering	9:30
Jay Porter, Mound	9:32
Jim deVries, Kettering	9:33
Bob Brook, Mound	9:36
Darwin Bryant, Mound	9:37
Kevin Behnke, Saginaw	9:38

(29 Finishers)

Leading Teams

Mound TC (Oh)	41
Kettering Striders (Oh)	51

Boys 12-13 (2.0 miles)

Scott Dahm, Kettering	11:04.5
Frank Bennett, Battle C	11:43
Dennis Collado, Burbank	12:14
Jeff Stark, Golden Tr'gle	:19
Bryan Hull, Kettering	12:20
Rodney Young, Motor City	:34
Mark Henry, Kettering	12:35

(22 Finishers)

Girls 9 & Under (1.0 mile)

Kathy Kulpa, Palos H	6:16.1
Ann Smith, Fleet Feet	6:23
Tracy Fagan, Palos Hills	6:28
Lori Vultaggio, Lipke TC	6:40
Karla Tensley, Detroit Str	40
Michelle Collins, Fleet Ft	42
Lynda Schartle, Palos H	6:43

Kelly Walker, Lipke	6:44
Cathy Berry, Fleet Feet	6:47
Kim Rench, Burbank	6:48
Karen Brown, Motor City	6:49
Dawn Vertucci, Burbank	6:50

(39 Finishers)

Leading Teams

Fleet Feet (Mich)	43
Burbank Striders	76

Girls 10-11 (1.50 miles)

Tracy Weber, Fox Vly	9:26.6
Andrea Collins, Burbank	9:38
Shela Taylor, Detroit Str	:44
Kayla Skelly, Fleet Feet	9:46
Laurie Call, Midland	9:58
Ann Berry, Fleet Feet	10:01
Dawn Hess, Burbank	10:03
Mary Porter, Mound	10:04
Michelle Smartt, Det Str	:08
Sheri Nevins, Fleet Ft	10:11
Colleen Dean, Fleet Ft	10:13
Lee Ann Yanik, Lipke	10:16

(39 Finishers)

Leading Teams

Fleet Feet	44
Burbank Striders	83

Girls 12-13 (2.0 miles)

Val Eaton, Palos H's	12:34.9
Beth Huff, Michigames	12:40
Deanna Macreno, SUS Olym'n	47
Janet Smartt, Detroit Str	:54
Donna Hess, Burbank	13:07
Debbie Lager, Lipke	13:11
Deb Krawczyk, Burbank	13:14

(29 Finishers)

Leading Teams

Burbank Striders	56
Fleet Feet	81

Girls 14-15 (2.50 miles)

Mary Ann Opalewski, FF	14:30.2
Rochelle Collins, Mot C	15:42
Aini Maripuu, Mich'gms	16:14
Cheryl Kerokaert, Lipke	16:18
Sue Adcock, Fleet Feet	16:23

(19 Finishers)

Leading Teams

Fleet Feet	40
Michigames	51

**KETTERING INVITATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY MEET**  
**BELLBROOK, OH - October 5 - from Steve Price**

Runners of all ages gathered for the seventh annual edition of the nation's top early season cross country extravaganza. Representing 38 midwest teams, 509 girls, boys, men and women finished the runs in nine divisions.

Burbank (Ill) and host's Kettering Striders were factors in all age groups. The most impressive team, however, was the girl's 12-13 crew from Scioto Track Club, which placed all their five scorers in the top nine finishers.

Individually, Scioto's LAURA CRAVEN (9-Under girls) and PAUL VANDERSTEEN of Bloomington, Indiana, were smashing winners on the rough and hilly course.

The top girl west of the Mississippi, MARLENE HAREWICZ of the Mt. Lebanon TC, PA, was able to outpace Michigan's talented Junior prospect MARY ANN OPALEWSKI in the women's three mile. For the girls, this was a tuneup on the same course on which the AAU National Championships will be run on November 30 (the Nationa's results, highlights and great photography by Jeff Johnson in the next issue of S.L.).

In the special 10km Race Walk (actually one lap short) the top Junior was GWEN EBERLE of Ozark TC, who heel-and-toed 55:46, followed by Kettering's 14 year-old CINDY LUEBBEN and two top age groupers ATHENA MONIOS (Mt. Lebanon) and KATHY DVORSAK (Burgettstown, PA).

/Weather: warm, windy; Site: Bellbrook High School;  
 Meet Manager: Max Henry/ Leading age group results:

<u>Boys 9 &amp; Under (1.0 mile)</u>	
Gregg Vaughn, Burbank	6:19.5
Chris Nabors, Mt Lebanon	6:32
Mark Reichl, Kettering	6:34
Jay Youse, Mt Lebanon	6:36
Rick Scialo, Burbank	6:37
Joe Ruff, Bloomington	6:42
Junior Johnson, Motor C	6:43
Kevin Slaton, Mound TC	6:45
Jerry Blaney, Burbank	6:47
Keith Healy, Burbank	6:49
(33 Finishers)	

<u>Leading Teams</u>	
Kettering Striders	58
Burbank Striders	67

<u>Girls 9 &amp; Under (1.0 mile)</u>	
Laura Craven, Scioto TC	6:08
Rachel Danduran, Scioto	6:41
Ann Smith, Fleet Feet	6:45
Kathy Kulpa, Palos Hills	6:46
Tracy Fagan, Palos Hills	6:47
Michelle Collins, Flt Ft	6:48
Lori Vultaggio, Lipke TC	6:56
Lynda Scharble, Palos H	6:59
Jackie Pickett, Blue Rbn	7:00
Moelle Mirabelli, Mt Leb	7:01
Jill Thurston, Fleet Ft	7:03
Kim Blais, Buckeye TC	7:04
Pam Collins, Burbank	7:05
Leigh Mann, Blue Ribbon	7:07
Dawn Vertucci, Burbank	7:10
Dolores Patrick, Latrobe	7:11
Denise Anians, Burbank	7:13
Kelly Walker, Lipke TC	7:13
Karen Brown, Motor City	7:14
Kim Rench, Burbank	7:14
(72 Finishers)	

<u>Leading Teams</u>	
Fleet Feet (Mich)	67
Burbank Striders	93

<u>Boys 10-11 (1.50 miles)</u>	
Paul Vandersteen, Blm	9:19.9
Antonio Johnson, Motor C	9:44
Tom Woodley, Bloomington	9:51
Rod King, Mound TC	9:54
Jay Porter, Mound TC	10:03
Darryl Bernard, Ket'ng	10:05
Rick Haire, Arrow	10:12
Doug Sauers, Mt Lebanon	10:14
Jim Jordan, Graham Falcon	:16
Will Loftis, Mt Lebanon	10:17
(36 Finishers)	

<u>Leading Teams</u>	
Mound TC (Oh)	56
Bloomington TC (Ind)	61
Kettering Striders	65
Mt Lebanon TC (Pa)	95

<u>Boys 12-13 (2.0 miles)</u>	
Scott Dahm, Kettering	11:41.7
Tom Rhodes, Mt Lebanon	11:57
Mike McCracken, NC Hill	12:25
Mike Kalb, Bloomington	12:43
Tom Higinbothan, Walnut H	:50
Mark Henry, Kettering	12:56
Bryan Hull, Kettering	13:08
Dean Helfer, Mt Lebanon	13:16
(26 Finishers)	

<u>Girls 10-11 (1.50 miles)</u>	
Ann Henry, Peoria	10:09
Sheila Erickson	10:14
Andrea Collins, Burbank	10:21
Paula Jeannot, Kirkwood	10:30
Tracy Weber, Fox Valley	10:33
Maurine Manion, W Suburban	35
Kathy Riggs, Kirkwood	10:35
Michelle Smartt, Det Str	:36
Anne Vargo, Lk Erie Comet	:38
Christine Ridenoir, Kwd	10:39

Kayla Skelly, Fleet Ft	10:42
Joanna Skaates, Buckeye	10:44
Sue Ratti, Buckeye	10:46
Sandy Wallace, Mt Leb	10:47
Susan Cotner, Scioto	10:49
Judy Cychol, Peoria	10:50
Lisa Renner, N College H	:51
Lori Lenz, Latrobe	10:52
Ann Berry, Fleet Feet	10:53
Vicki Friend, Peoria	10:55
Colleen Dean, Fleet Ft	11:01
Margaret Manion, W Sub	11:01
Mary Porter, Mound	11:01
Sheri Nevins, Fleet Ft	11:07
Karen Kopernick, Fox Vly	:10
Lisa Burnett, Mt Leb	11:11
Dana Disabato, Scioto	11:12
Jewel Caruthers, Kirkwd	11:13
Lori Splendore, Latrobe	11:15
Shelia Link, Fleet Ft	11:15
(113 Finishers)	

<u>Leading Teams</u>	
Kirkwood TC (Mo)	80
Fleet Feet	105
Peoria Pacettes (Ill)	153
Buckeye TC (Oh)	192
Scioto TC (Oh)	197
Burbank Striders	200

<u>Girls 12-13 (2.0 miles)</u>	
Shannon Cline, Scioto	12:48
Sandy Hoffman, Scioto	12:49
Carrie Shuster, Blue Rbn	:53
Heather Hearnese, Kirkwd	13:06
Robin Rosemeir, Scioto	13:07
Margaret La Porte, W Sub	:09
Val Eaton, Palos Hills	13:14
Jackie Mason, Scioto	13:20
Darla Goodrich, Scioto	13:23
Beth Huff, Michigames	13:26
Marsha Neurohr, Latrobe	13:31
Lindy Yeager, Kettering	13:32
Peggy Fitzgerald, W Sub	13:34
Jo Ann Wood, N College Hl	:35
Denise Wheeler, Kett'ng	13:43
Patty Buckeye, Blue Rbn	13:48
Jill Wanka, Palos Hills	13:50
Marisa Manion, W Suburban	:53
Val Spieler, Kirkwood	13:55
Deb Krawczyk, Burbank	13:56
(96 Finishers)	

<u>Leading Teams</u>	
Scioto TC	25
West Suburban TC (Ill)	87
Kettering Striders	129
Kirkwood TC	148
Latrobe TC (Pa)	179

10000 meter track Walk/300 meters short: Girls 14-Over (juniors only).....2-Gwen Eberle (Ozark TC) 55:46, 3-Cindy Luebben (age 14, KS) 62:39; Girls 13-Under 1-Athena Monios (ML) 62:41, 2-Kathy Dvorsak (Burgettstown TC) 63:20

Girls 14-Over (juniors only)...3.0 miles: 1-Marlene Harewicz (ML) 18:49.5, 2-Mary Ann Opalewski (FF) 19:00...6-Diane Vetter (BR) 19:46, 7-Debbie Vetter (BR) 19:50, 8-Melody Miller (WS) 19:57, 9-Marie Kastrop (KS) 20:07, 10-Ann Forshee (Michigames) 20:11, 11-Sue Parks 20:20...13-Tamara Ehrentreau (PP) 20:26, 14-Bev Roland (PP) 20:29...16-Marianne Sturr (KS) 20:31, 17-Janis Vetter (BR) 20:37...19-Rochelle Collins (Motor City TC) 20:50...21-Ella Willis 20:53...117 finishers.

**USTFF MID AMERICA CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
**KENOSHA, WIS - November 2 - from Philip MacHarg**

/Site: University of Wisconsin - through woods and some hills; Weather: sunny, 60° plus/ Top runners:

Boys 12-Under (2.0mi): Brian Kiernan (Saber TC) 11:36.2, Robert MacDonald 11:50.2; Boys 15-Under (2.0mi): Kevin Higdon (Indiana Striders) 9:53.4, Steve Kastner (NW Chicago Suburban TC) 10:10, Tony Vargas (Palatine, Ill) 10:21

Girls 10-Under (1.0mi): Kayla Skelly (Fleet Feet) 6:11.8, Margaret Manion (W Suburban TC) 6:17.6, Sheila Link (FF) 6:18, Andrea Mellenback (WS) 6:19, Tracy Fagan (Palos Hills TC) 6:24

Girls 11-13 (2.0mi): Lori Schafer (Saber TC) 11:54.1, Sheila Erickson 11:58.5, Val Eaton (Palos Hills TC) 12:04, Maria Kenney (WS) 12:11, Peggy Fitzgerald (WS) 12:17, Cindy Conway (WS) 12:24, Mary O'Neill (WS) 12:30, Maurine Manion (WS) 12:34, Tracy Weber (Fox Valley Striders) 12:35, Ann Miller (WS) 12:36

Girls 14-16 (2.0mi): Paula Class (Track America) 11:40.4, Joan Westphal (Mt Desert Island HS) 11:59, Betsy Murphy (TA) 12:04, Joana DaSilva (WS) 12:20, Nancy Jacquith (Milwaukee TC)

# MOUNTAIN STATES



## ARIZONA AAU GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY PHEONIX, AZ - September 21 - from Sue Humphrey

/Site: Papago Park - paved road, rolling hills; Weather: sunny, 90°; Total finishers: 138; Meet Director: Fred Moore/ Results:

Girls 7-9 (1.0mi): Karen Bradshaw (Arizona TC) 6:43.1, Lisa Anetsberger (Az TC) 6:53, Sharon Smith (Pear's Peaches) 6:54, Raney Wardlaw (PP) 6:58, Bess Rogers (Scottsdale TC) 7:02... Arizona TC 36 points, PP 54...39 total finishers.

Girls 10-11 (1.5mi): Karen Hooper (Creighton TC) 8:43.7, Robin Crozier (Sc) 8:46, Monica Zepeda (Sc) 8:52, Kalee Nasser (Az TC) 8:58, Pat Esquivel (Az TC) 9:00, Dawn Everett (Page Striders) 9:01...Scottsdale TC 45, Az TC 66...39 finishers.

Girls 12-13 (2.0 mi): Diane Barrett (Az TC) 10:33.8, Deanne Hamby (Valley of the Sun TC) 11:37, Kim Fraser (Az TC) 11:41, Cheryl Symons (Az TC) 11:42, Dawn Freeman (VOS) 11:45, Bernice Moore (VOS) 11:47, Linda Lindsey (PP) 11:48...36 finishers.

Girls 14-Over/juniors only (3.0mi)...2-Marjorie Kaput (Phoenix TC) 16:43, 3-Debbie Derr 16:53, 4-Phyllis Trim (PP) 18:23, 5-Liz Dufour (Az TC) 18:38, 6-Kim Carvalho (Sc) 18:43, 7-Lynn Lawrence (Phx TC) 18:58, 8-Krista Holmes (Sc) 19:10, 9-Vickie Murray (Cactus Wrens) 19:13...24 finishers.

## ARIZONA AAU GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY FLAGSTAFF, AZ - October 5 - from SUE HUMPHREY

Arizona Track Club girls are dominating the state's cross country meets this year, especially in the 7-9 and 12-13 groups.

KAREN BRADSHAW is leading her teammates in the youngest group, while DIANE BARRETT (who missed this meet with a foot injury) is leading a powerful 12-13 team, in which 5:05 miler SHARI CASSIN is only third or fourth member.

Twelve clubs are fielding teams in the gradually expanding program, including the host of this meet, the Highland Striders.

/Site: Hills, grass; Weather: cool; Total finishers: 140; Meet Director: Roy Johnson/. Results:

Girls 7-9 (1.0 mile)  
Karen Bradshaw, Az TC 6:49.7  
Bessie Rodgers, Scot'sd'l 6:56  
Veronica Esquinel, Az TC 6:58  
Lisa Anetsberger, Az TC 7:01  
Lisa Sypherd, Az TC 7:04  
Sandra Saucedo, Creighton :05  
Naomi McGhee, Vly of Sun 7:08  
JoAnn Chatterton, Pear's P 10  
Rhonda Weddle, Creighton 7:14  
Ellen Berthot, Scottsd'l 7:15  
Kerry Nasser, Arizona TC 7:16  
Shauna McCarthy, Cr'ton 7:18  
Sharon Smith, Pear's P'ch :19  
(42 Finishers)

Leading Teams  
Arizona TC 24  
Scottsdale TC 69  
Pear's Peaches 72  
Creighton TC 78

Girls 10-11 (1.50 miles)  
Theresa Smith, Pear's P 8:45  
Robin Crozier, Scottsd'l 8:58  
Janet Salazar, ArizonaTC 9:04

Girls 14-Over (juniors only)...2-Krista Holmes (Sc) 20:00...4-Cheryl Symons (Az TC) 20:47, 5-Kim Carvalho (Sc) 21:45...19 finishers (3.0 miles)

Karen Hooper, Creighton 9:07  
Adair Merritt, Scottsd'l 9:07  
Herlinda DeLaCruz, PP 9:16  
Dawn Everett, Page Strid'r 22  
Kalee Nasser, Arizona TC 9:30  
Patricia Esquinel, ArzTC 9:30  
(45 Finishers)

Leading Teams  
Arizona TC 52  
Pear's Peaches 58

Girls 12-13 (2.0 miles)  
Karen Fraser, Arz TC 12:04.5  
Dawn Freeman, V of Sun 12:06  
Danine Hanby, V of Sun 12:14  
Linda Lindsey, Pear's P 12:19  
Sara Erickson, Page Str 12:30  
Shari Cassin, ArizonaTC 12:33  
Mary Lund, Phoenix TC 12:57  
Sandra Pollock, Scots'l 13:02  
(34 Finishers)

Leading Teams  
Arizona TC 52  
Scottsdale TC 58

## UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY MEET DENVER, CO - October 6 - from Lyle Knudson

Out of state visitors carried home most of the hardware, led by the runners of the Olympette Club, of Albuquerque, New Mexico. The Olympette's mostly junior squad made off with the open division (14-Over) team contest and did the same in the 12-13 division, as SALLY MARQUEZ and LESA GILLILAND cruised to a tie for individual honors.

Casper, Wyoming's Poison Spider Track Club scored a narrow team win in the 10-11 division, won in convincing fashion by TAMMY AVIS of the Colorado Gold.

/Site: Barnum Park, grass, hilly; Team: 14; Total finishers: 131/ Results:

Girls 9 & Under (1.0 mile)  
Regina Miller, Co Pacers 6:43  
Debbie Mata, Alb'que PAL 6:46  
Judy Blackshere, C Pacer 6:52  
Dolores Zamora, Alb PAL 6:57  
Tracey Vigil, Alb PAL 7:04  
Paulette Baca, Alb PAL 7:05  
Robyn Dill, Boulder C'b'ls :11  
Lora Larson, Boulder C'b 7:11  
Karen Fritts, S Suburban 7:13  
(29 Finishers)

Leading Teams  
Albuquerque PAL (NM) 34  
Colorado Pacers 45  
Boulder Cinderbells 72

Girls 10-11 (1.51 miles)  
Tammy Avis, Colo Gold 9:43  
Lynn Allen, Alb'que OC 10:02  
Julie Kautz, Colo Gold 10:15  
Diana Jones, Poison Sp'drs 23  
Kristal Wolfe, Co Pacers :41  
Donna Boffey, Co Pacers 10:47

Zizi Fritz, Alb'que OC 10:51  
Portia Bowman, Boulder C :52  
Luara Barstow, Boulder C :56  
Kerry Lanham, Poison Sp 10:56  
(32 Finishers)

Leading Teams  
Poison Spiders (Wyo) 57  
Colorado Pacers 63  
Boulder Cinderbells 64

Girls 12-13 (1.92 miles)  
Sally Marquez, Alb OC 12:01  
Lesla Gilliland, Alb OC 12:01  
Carol Dobesh 12:13  
Vickie Secrest, Alb OC 12:22  
Kathy Weiss, Colo Gold 12:27  
Stacy Arterburn, C Gold 12:36  
Andrea Duran, Alb OC 12:47  
Kathy Sjolie, Colo Gold 12:48  
(26 Finishers)

Leading Teams  
Albuquerque Olympettes 31  
The Colorado Gold 46

Girls 14-Over (juniors only)...2.99 miles: 2-Karen Cramond (AO) 19:07, 3-Robin Castor (CP) 19:21, 4-Kathy Slatter (AO) 19:41, 5-Cindy Rice (AO) 19:47...44 finishers.

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN AAU GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
DENVER, CO - October 26 - from Lyle Knudson

/Site: Barnum Park - grass, hilly - altitude - 5280 ft.;  
Weather: warm and dry, 65°; Teams: 12; Total finishers: 122  
Results:

Girls 9-Under (1.0mi): Judy Blackshere (Colorado Pacers) 6:41, Sharon Adams (CP) 6:48, Mindy Gregg (CP) 6:49, Regina Miller (CP) 6:51, Jenine Gregg (CP) 6:52...CP 15 points...24 finished

Girls 10-11 (1.54mi): Tammy Avis (The Colorado Gold) 9:51, Donna Boffey (CP) 10:06, Julie Kautz (CG) 10:10, Kristal Wolfe (CP) 10:18, Portia Bowman (Boulder Cinderbells) 10:24, Kristin Boyd (BC) 10:27, Laura Barstow (BC) 10:29, Kerry Lanham (Poison Spiders) 10:35...BC 41, CP 50, PS 73...36 finishers.

Girls 12-13 (1.92mi): Cara Pratt (Jeffco Jets) 12:30, Nancy Rogowski (BC) 12:36, Pam Bonnett (BC) 12:37, Stacy Arterburn (CG) 12:39, Kathy Sjolie (CG) 12:40...BC 43, CG 55...26 finish.

Girls 14-Over/juniors only (2.93mi)...2-Robin Castor (CP) 19:10 ...4-Deb Kirchhofer (CP) 20:20...36 finishers

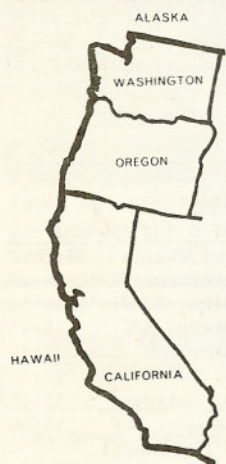
**NEW MEXICO AAU CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
ALBUQUERQUE, NM - November 16 - from Charles Gilliland

/Site: Roosevelt Park/ Leading runners and teams:

Boys 9-Under (1.0mi): George Navgles (Duke City Dashers) 6:06.4, Alfie Morgan (DCD), Glen Strief (DCD)...DCD 33 points;  
Boys 10-11 (1.5mi): Frank Morgan (DCD) 8:59.3, Tim Sanchez (DCD), Shaughn Ryan (DCD), Chris Zamora (Albuquerque PAL), Garrett Richards (Boca Grande TC)...DCD 21, BG 51;  
Boys 12-13 (2.0mi): Bill Powell (DCD) 11:40.0, Donny Bowersox (Atomic City TC), Terry Hurtado (DCD)...DCD 20, AC 48;

Girls 9-Under (1.0mi): Bobbie Gallegos (Albuquerque TC) 6:25.4, Michelle Mendoza (DCD), Tracie Vigil (APAL), Debbie Mata (APAL), Yvette Yopa (AlbTC)...Alb TC 38, APAL 50, BG 62;  
Girls 10-11 (1.5mi): Sandy Beach (Alb TC) 9:17.6, Denise Falzone (DCD), Pat Collins (DCD), Christine Silva (DCD), Kathy Garcia (Alb TC)...DCD 27, Alb TC 37;  
Girls 12-13 (2.0mi): Lesa Gilliland (Albuquerque Olympette Club) 12:42.9, Therese Dorwart (DCD), Lisa Matthews (DCD), Lori Keel (AlbTC), Lori Coffield (DCD)...DCD 25, AO 58;  
Girls 14-Over/juniors only (3.0mi): 1-Lynn Bjorklund (DCD) 14:22, 2-Linda Stecker (DCD)

**PACIFIC STATES**



Great X-Country runner PAULA ROSE



Photo/DOUG SCHWAB

**Results:**

Boys 9 & Under (1.07 mi): Ralph Salcido (Orange County Blue Angels) 6:22, Eddie Vrab (OCBA) 6:44...10 finishers;

Boys 10-11 (1.49 mi): David Troussel (Rialto Roadrunners) 8:54, Mike Assumma (RRR) 9:04, David Neidorf (RRR) 9:18, Bim Barry (Orange Coast Thunderbolts) 9:27, Tom Strelow (OCBA) 9:31

Boys 12-13 (2.14 mi): Frank Assumma (RRR) 11:21, Chuck Assumma (RRR) 11:34, Phil Shirley (RRR) 11:43, Ray Cook (RRR) 11:53 David Daly (OCBA) 12:23, Pat Quinlan (RRR) 12:29...21 finished

Girls 14-Over (juniors only) 5000 meter Road Walk: Esther Marquez (RRR) 26:08, Susan Brodock (RRR) 26:44, Linda Brodock (RRR) 28:04, Joyce Brodock (RRR) 28:25, Cindy Johnson (Blue Angels) 28:56, Becky Villavazso (RRR) tied Lisa Metheny (RRR) at 29:10...19 finishers;

Girls 9 & Under (1.07 miles)

Sandra Katzer, LBComet 6:32.2  
Kathy Kiernan, Bl Angels 6:37  
Lisa Jewitt, Rialto RR 6:45  
Regina Crawford, RRR 6:58  
Corina Quezada, SC Ch'tahs 58  
Kerry Vanderschuit, BA 6:59  
Kim Tanabe, Blue Angels 7:00  
Paulette Willis, LBComet 7:06  
Andrea Rolfe, LB Comets 7:09  
Tina Houston, Rialto RR 7:10  
Kendy Anno, Orange Coast 7:11  
(45 Finishers)

Leading Teams

Rialto Roadrunners 42  
Blue Angels 59  
Long Beach Comets 61

Girls 10-11 (1.49 miles)

Kristi Wilson, BA 8:35.6  
Andrea Kirkorn, B Angels 8:42  
Danielle Mojica, SC Ch'tah 44  
Kelly Cerda 8:46  
Tracy Hughes 9:00  
Sharon Hatfield, BA 9:02  
Lenell Waskow, Rialto RR 9:07  
Vicki Cook, Rialto RR 9:10

**BLUE ANGELS SPORTS FESTIVAL CROSS COUNTRY**  
FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA - October 5

Something new was added for those who get the "blahs" running the same old flat cross country courses. In each of the races there were fence jumps (two for the 11 & unders while the 12 & olders negotiated four). The barriers were set at 22 inches for 9 & younger and 27 inches for the "old folks" (everyone else). If this weren't enough, all runners had to take care of three to six water jumps.

Despite the develish tricks of meet manager DON DeNOON, 245 girls and boys managed to complete the course. The Long Beach Comets won four races individually and a team 1st place, the Rialto Road Runners copped two individual and four team wins, while the Southern California Cheetahs made off with an individual and team title and the host Blue Angels had two team and three individual wins.

There were also Race Walks...without fences and water jumps. /Site: Mile Square Park, grass, hills/

Shelly Kaplan, Rialto RR 9:11  
Tracy Melvin, Blue Angel 9:13  
Terri Hollins, Rialto RR 9:18  
Linda Bottlik, Rialto RR 9:21  
Wendy Bigham, Rialto RR 9:22  
Cindy Nuñez, Rialto RR 9:22  
Shari Wheeler, Rialto RR 9:23  
Jill Gillingham, B Angel 9:25  
(56 Finishers)

Leading Teams

Blue Angels 35  
Rialto Roadrunners 47  
So California Cheetah 108

Alicia Kirkorn, Bl Ang 13:05  
Lauri Teague, El Centro 13:14  
Becky Villavazso, RRR 13:17  
Rochelle Hatfield, BA 13:23  
Diane Stern, SC Cheetah 13:25  
Anna Strathman, B Angel 13:29  
Christy Van Zant, SCC 13:30  
(71 Finishers)

Leading Teams

So California Cheetahs 33  
Rialto Roadrunners 44  
Blue Angels 101

Girls 12-13 (2.14 miles)

Paula Rose, Bl Angels 12:07.2  
Mari Gibbs, Lkwd Intl 12:17  
Michelle Waters, SC Ch'tah 33  
Barney Carrol, SC Ch'tah :42  
Penny Bridges, Rialto 12:45  
Diane Esslinger, SCC 12:48  
Becky Gomez, Rialto RR 12:51  
Hedy Hafen, SC Cheetahs 12:52  
Kim McMillian, Rialto 12:56  
Tami Darr, Lkwd Intl 12:58  
Sheila Hammond, Rialto 13:00  
Della Equipalag, SCC 13:01  
Donna Sanchez, Rialto 13:03

Girls 14-17 (2.56 miles)

Laurie Jewell, LBC 15:13.9  
Carol Flournoy, SCC 15:21  
Becky Wolfinbarger, SCC 15:41  
Janet Waterbury, SCC 15:46  
Marsha Pierce, LM Meteors :51  
Teresa Caudillo, LBC 15:53  
Donna Schellhaus, BA 15:58  
Ann Dandoy, S Bay Strid 16:04  
Lynne Miller 16:09  
(28 Finishers)

Leading Teams

Long Beach Comets 40  
Blue Angels 59

Girls 14-Over (juniors only)...2.98 mi: Kathy Jewell (LBC) 17:30.5, Debra Johnson (RRR) 17:51, Marjorie Kaput (Phoenix TC) 18:16, Doreen Assumma (RRR) 18:28, Patty Cape (LBC) 19:06

**PACIFIC AAU BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
BELMONT, CA - October 26 - from Nick Sakelarios

A huge turnout of Northern Californian (and some Nevada) age groupers concluded the local AAU season. Nearly all individual winners had big margins of victory, including marathoner MARY ETTA BOITANO, who dropped down to a 1.5 mile "sprint" for this occasion.

San Juan Striders won the most individual titles with outstanding talent, such as RAY EDDY, CHRIS OTIS and JEANI FULLER. They were, however, challenged for team awards by the always dangerous Salinas Valley Track Club.

/Site: Hallmark Course; Total finishers: 400/ Results:

**Boys 6-7 (1.0 mile)**

Robert Latting, Pl'snt	7:21.2
Steve Ogden, Pleasant H	7:22
Greg Scattini, Salinas	7:23

(10 Finishers)

**Boys 8-9 (1.0 mile)**

John Latting, Pl'snt H	6:22.8
Bob Cambron, RC Flyers	6:37
Gannon Myall, S Cruzers	6:38
David McFadden	6:40
David LeKander, Salinas	6:46
Richard Vasquez, Salinas	6:51
Jim Chaney, Pleasant Hill	:52
Max Brume, VM	6:54
Pat Collins, Salinas	6:55
Glen Frye, SJ Striders	6:56
Mike Carpenter, Salinas	6:57
Bill Taylor, Salinas	6:59

(40 Finishers)

**Leading Teams**

Salinas Valley TC	43
San Juan Striders	85

**Boys 10-11 (1.50 miles)**

Wendell Sells, Salinas	8:32.8
Nick Sakelarios, RCF	8:34
Tom Owen	8:40
Jim Scattini, Salinas	8:44
Don Aviles, RC Flyers	8:47
Joe Olvera, Salinas	8:52
Desi Bunting, RC Flyers	8:53
Jeff Graham, Salinas	8:55
Greg Jones, Cupertino	9:02
Angelo Sakelarios, RCF	9:05
Britt Brewer, Salinas	9:07
Paul Stephen, Pleasant H	9:09
Gary LeKander, Salinas	9:09

(41 Finishers)

**Leading Teams**

Salinas Valley TC	30
Redwood City Flyers	40

**Boys 12-13 (2.0 miles)**

Ray Eddy, SJ Striders	10:47.2
Bob Kadie, SJ Striders	10:57
Mike Boitano	11:08
Steve Burke, Salinas	11:09
Tim Sutherland, SJ Str	11:15

**HAMILTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL INVITATIONAL**  
FRESNO, CA - October 26 - from Joe Herzog

Tenave Junior High provided most of standouts in the big field of young runners. The competition was divided into races for Fresno City and Fresno County runners in the biggest meet of the local school season.

/Site: Woodward Park; Weather: overcast, 72°, gusty winds; Total finishers: 275/ Results:

7th Grade (City)	8th Grade (City)	9th Grade (City)
J.Snoll, Ten 11:29	S.Thornton, Ah 10:31	M.Castillo, Ti 10:29
F.Rodriguez, W 11:48	B.Nielson, Ahw 10:45	E.Little, Ahw 10:36
D.Woodruff, H 11:59	R.Riddell, FM 11:09	S.McDannald, Ahw :42
A.Santisteven 12:13	R.Walker, Ahw 11:22	N.Kalmeta, KC 10:47
R.Williams, KC 12:14	K.Beatty, Ahw 11:34	G.Pope, Tenaya 10:50
J.Ward, Tioga 12:17	C.Smith, KC 11:35	N.Stockton, Ahw :53
J.Alvarez, Teh 12:17	M.Alcorn, Tioga :39	D.Meyer, KC 10:54
C.Davis, Sierra :21	E.Moore, Irwin 11:40	Horn, Ten 11:02
T.Ross, Ahw 12:22	M.Klein, Ham 11:42	M.Vartanian, Ti :05
W.Lewis, Wawona :23	(47 Finishers)	Ellis, Ten 11:08
G. Reece, Ham 12:26		T.Djabayan, Ten :09

**Leading Teams**

Tioga JHS	54
Hamilton	81
Ahwahnee	95

**7th Grade (County)**

G.Salcido, Ten	11:17
M.Flores, Coa	11:26
F.Solis, Ten	11:29
R.Salcido, Ten	11:40
F.Contreras, T	11:41
M.Morales, Muir	:49
C.Soliz, Muir	11:59

(44 Finishers)

**Leading Teams**

Tenaya	20
Muir	64
Coalinga	69

**Leading Teams**

Ahwahnee	21
Tioga	53
Hamilton	59

**8th Grade (County)**

R.Ramirez, M	10:50
T.Lopez, McCabe	:55
J.Garcia, Cl	11:08
J.Gonzales, Ten	:11
R.Camarena, Coa	:18
T.Ramos, Ten	11:21
M.Blair, Clark	11:27
F.Flores, Clark	:35
E.Soliz, Ten	11:36

(43 Finishers)

**Leading Teams**

Clark	48
Tenaya	60
Muir	62

**Leading Teams**

Tenaya	38
Ahwahnee	41
Tioga	76

**Girls (City)**

B.Kamps, Ham	12:33
C.Grieco, Ahw	13:35
S.Glatt, Ham	13:48
L.Adcox, Ham	13:58

(14 Finishers)

**Girls (County)**

J.Heaton, Cl	12:33
I.Jaramillo, Cl	:34
R.Cervantes, Cl	13:02
L.Laslo, Cl	13:08

(10 Finishers)

Jim Hudson, Millbrae Lions	19
Kevin Reynolds, Pleasant H	24
Tom Krause, Pleasant H	11:25
Danny Escobar, Millbrae	11:26
Peter Foster, Pleasant H	:28
John Wright, Sparta	11:30
Eric Clapp	11:31

(36 Finishers)

**Leading Teams**

San Juan Striders	55
Pleasant Hill TC	63

**Boys 14-15 (2.5 miles)**

Chris Otis, SJ Str	13:56.5
Chuck Himenes	14:40
Tom Graycar	14:44

(10 Finishers)

**Girls 9 & Under (1.0 mile)**

Jeani Fuller, SJ Strider	6:39
Michele Miller, App'loosa	7:03
Laura Carney, Cupertino	7:04
Janice Bain, Will's Spkt	7:11
Stacey Threadgill, App'a	7:15
Gina Miller, Salinas	7:17
Meredith Smith, Salinas	7:19
Kim Salinas, Appaloosa	7:24
Cindy Krieg, RC Flyers	7:25
Pauline Vasquez, App'a	7:30
Sue McLaughlin, Cupertino	:35
Lisa Guzman, Salinas	7:36
Dianna Braswell, Rosev'l	7:37
Kathleen Lee, Arrow TC	7:38
Debbie Janson, S Lk Tahoe	:39

(57 Finishers)

**Leading Teams**

Appaloosa TC	41
Salinas Valley TC	74

**Girls 10-11 (1.5 miles)**

Mary Etta Boitano	9:03.2
Sandy Beauchamp, Will's	9:13
Sherry Grijalva, Salinas	9:20
Tammy Frye, SJ Striders	9:22
Carol Gleason, Cupertino	9:28
Georgette Harris, App'a	9:32
Tiffany Choy, Salinas	9:34
Suzette McKeen, SJ Strider	35

**SAN JOSE CINDERGALS CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL**  
SAN JOSE, CA - September 7 - from Marge Powell

San Juan Striders JEANI FULLER and TAMMY FRYE won easy individual victories, while MARQUITA BELK led the host Cindergals to victory in the 12-13 class. ANN TRASON was the top junior in the open division (14-Over) in a meet which kicked off the AAU season in northern California.

/Site: San Jose City College, flat, dirt & grass; Weather: 88°; Total finishers: 129/ Results:

**Girls 9-U (1.25 mi)**

J.Fuller, SJS	7:58.9
M.Miller, App	8:36
S.Miller, CY	8:36
L.Guzman, Sal	8:43
M.Smith, Sal	8:44
L.Carney, CY	8:51
S.Threadgill, Ap	59
P.Vasquez, App	9:01
K.Salinas, App	9:05

(28 Finishers)

**Leading Teams**

Appaloosa TC	37
Cupertino Yrlg	48
Salinas Vly TC	63

**Girls 10-11 (1.5 mi)**

T.Frye, SJS	8:21
C.Gleason, CY	8:43
S.Grijalva, Sal	:46
M.Stein, CY	8:47
S.Avedissian, Ap	53
G.Harris, App	8:54

(22 Finishers)

**Leading Teams**

Cupertino Yrlg	33
Appaloosa TC	59

**Girls 12-13 (2.0 mi)**

M.Belk, SJC	10:32.9
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**Leading Teams**

R.Bier, App	10:41
S.Greenberg, SJC	:57
J.Cobb, Sal	11:02
H.Himenes	11:03
J.Allred, SJS	11:07
T.Miller, SJC	11:10
S.Sieble, SJS	11:19
K.Hintz, CY	11:20
C.Choy, Sal	11:22
D.Mavis, SJC	11:28

(27 Finishers)

**Leading Teams**

S Jose Cin'gal	41
S Juan Strider	68
Salinas Vly TC	76

**Girls 14-Over (juniors only)...2.5 miles:** 2-A.Trason (Monterey Peninsula TC) 12:43, 3-C.Sakelarios (Redwood City Flyers) 12:48, 4-P.Bowers (San Jose Cindergals) 12:51, 5-A.Slivkoff (SJC) 12:58, 6-D.Eddy (SJS) 13:05...41 finishers.

**CALIFORNIA STATE BOYS AAU CHAMPIONSHIPS/  
SOUTHERN PACIFIC AAU BOYS & GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIPS  
HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA - November 3 - from Don Moraga**

This meet was originally designated as the SPAAAU district meet, but on rather short notice was turned into the Boys state meet as well.

Northern California teams were well represented and filled most of the top ten spots. They couldn't, however, cope with the ASSUMMA brothers, with FRANK and CHUCK going 1-2 in the 12-13 division and MIKE taking the 10-11 group in a very strong field.

The standouts of this meet included: RALPH SALCIDO, dominating the youngest set in most improved fashion; the beautiful battle behind the Assumma twins between RAY EDDY, of the San Juan Striders, and Phil Shirley of the Rialto Road Runners; Ray ended up winning the duel by a whisper, both boys being given the same time; high jumper/hurdler WENDELL SELLS taking a well deserved 2nd place in the 10-11; and CRISS OTIS of the San Juan Striders, confirming his win at the Pacific AAU Championships in the 14-14 division.

/Site: Huntington Central Park; Weather: dry, 65-72°; Sponsor: Orange Coast Thunderbolts; Total finishers: 406/  
Results:

Boys 9 & Under (1.0 mile)	
Ralph Salcido, OCBA	6:10.6
Bob Cambron, RC Flyers	6:23
Richard Vasquez, Salinas	6:24
Gannon Myall, S Cruzers	6:27
Pat Collins, Salinas	6:27
Jim Chaney, Pleasant Hill	:28
Glen Frye, S Juan Striders	33
Richard Wong, SJ Striders	:34
Mike Carpenter, SJ Str	6:36
David McFadden, RC Strider	37
David LeKander, Salinas	6:37

(32 Finishers)

Leading Teams	
Salinas Valley TC	43
Orange Co Blue Angels	74

Boys 10-11 (1.5 miles)	
Mike Assumma, Rialto	9:02.5
Wendell Sells, Salinas	9:11
David Trusel, Rialto RR	9:15
Jim Scattini, Salinas	9:19
Don Aviles, RC Flyers	9:22
Frank Jewitt, Rialto RR	9:30
Tom Owen, Redwood C Strider	1
Mitch Zinn, El Centro Suns	33
David Neidorf, Rialto RR	9:37
Nick Sakelarios, RC Flyer	:38
Steve Mead, Rialto RR	9:38
Dezi Bunting, RC Flyers	9:39
Bim Barry, Orange Coast	9:41

(39 Finishers)

Leading Teams	
Rialto Road Runners	30
Salinas Valley TC	65
Redwood City Flyers	68

Boys 12-13 (2.0 miles)	
Frank Assumma, RRR	10:39.5
Chuck Assumma, RRR	10:39.5
Ray Eddy, SJ Striders	11:00
Phil Shirley, Rialto RR	11:00
Ray Cook, Rialto RR	11:31
Luis Garcia, OCBA	11:34
Kevin Reynolds, Pleasant H	35
Valens Hernandez, OCBA	11:37
Don Leon	11:40
Bob Kadie, SJ Striders	11:41
Brian Robbins, Rialto	11:50
Steve Brown, OCBA	11:52
Steve Sweesy, S Juan Str	:54

(35 Finishers)

Leading Teams	
Rialto Road Runners	23
Orange Co Blue Angels	58
San Juan Striders	70

Boys 14-15 (2.5 miles)	
Criss Otis, S Juan St	14:15.9
Chuck Himenes, RC Str	14:19
Danny Martinez, RC Str	14:34
Burt Shirley, Rialto RR	14:37

(15 Finishers)

Girls 9 & Under (1.0 mile)	
Sandra Katzer, LB Com	6:10.7
Kathy Kiernan, Blue An	6:10.7
Kim Tanabe, Blue Angels	6:22
Kendall Anno, Orange C Th	:41
Kerri Vanderschuit, BA	6:45
Andrea Rolfe, LB Comets	6:48
Carina Quezada, SC Ch'tah	:48

(41 Finishers)

Leading Teams	
Long Beach Comets	42
Blue Angels	45

Girls 10-11 (1.5 miles)	
Andrea Kirkorn, BA	9:25.9
Kelly Cerda	9:32
Vicki Cook, Rialto RR	9:40
Danielle Mojica, SC Ch'tah	43
Kristi Wilson, BA	9:47
Tracey Hughes	9:51
Sharon Hatfield, BA	9:52
Kiki Lantry	9:53
Wendy Bigham, Rialto RR	9:56
Jane Wintermute, SCC	9:58
Terri Hollins, Rialto RR	9:59

(65 Finishers)

Leading Teams	
Blue Angels	48
Rialto Road Runners	52

Girls 12-13 (2.0 miles)	
Paula Rose, Blue Ang	11:15.4
Corrinne Nuñez, Rialto	11:30
Penny Bridges, Rialto	11:51
Shelly Waters, SC Cheetahs	53
Suzanne Keith, Rialto	11:56
Mari Gibbs, Lkwd Intl	12:00
Diane Esslinger, SCC	12:00
Donna Sanchez, Rialto	12:05
Barney Carral, SCC	12:09
Alicia Kirkorn, Blue An	12:10
Kim MacMillan, Rialto	12:15
Tami Darr, Lkwd Intern'l	:18
Laurie Johnson, Rialto RR	:21
Anna Strathman, Blue An	12:23
Hedy Hafen, SC Cheetahs	12:27

(75 Finishers)

Leading Teams	
Rialto Road Runners	29
So California Cheetahs	52

Girls 14-15 (2.5 miles)	
Marsha Pierce, LM Met	15:42
Virginia Lantry	16:32
Lou McKaye, Ojai Vly TC	16:45

(20 Finishers)

Girls 14-17 (2.5 miles)	
Debra Johnson, Rialto	15:05
Linda McQuarrie, LB Comets	18
Becky Wolfenbarger, SCC	15:31
Doreen Assumma, Rialto	15:33
Laurie Jewell, LB Comet	15:39
Janet Waterbury, OCT	15:41
Christina Troffer, Glen'le 57	

(31 Finishers)

Leading Teams	
Rialto Road Runners	37
Long Beach Comets	57



14-15 Cal Sate Champ CRISS OTIS, pursued up the hill by top prospect BURT SHIRLEY (age 14).

**OREGON AAU CROSS COUNTRY  
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from Myrna Wierson

Portland Track Club runners especially JOHN WRENN, GORDON RABING AND MIKE BERGMAN, continued to dominate the series of age group runs. This meet saw the biggest turnout-of the season.

/Site: North School - flat course; Total finishers: 97/



Steady winners on the Oregon scene, JOHN WRENN (left) and GORDON RABING of the Portland Track Club.



**Results:**

Boys 9-Under (1 mi)	Boys 10-11 (1.5 mi)	Boys 12-13 (2.0 mi)			
John Wrenn, P	6:27	Gordon Rabing	8:42	Mike Bergman, P	10:38
Rob Gilbert, P	6:28	Chris Tapenen	9:13	Matt Gerber, MH	11:26
Tom McKillop, P	6:30	Corey Lerner, P	9:20	Doug Bergman, P	11:35
Sean Fennessy, P	:47	Chris Bates, P	9:26	Dave Federman, P	:47
Ryan Brooks, Sp	6:48	Brent Dallman	10:02	Cole Lerner, P	12:19

(21 Finishers) (20 Finishers) (15 Finishers)

Boys 14-15/2.5 mi: Tom Johnson (Por) 14:23; Girls 9-U/1.0 mi Kerry Crucchiola (Por) 7:24; Kirsti Patoski (Por) 7:29; Girls 10-11/1.5 mi: Jodi Peters (Por) 9:32; Debbie Koffel (Spartans) 9:38; Sandy Nevis (Por) 9:46; Girls 12-13/2.0 mi: Marchi Wierson (Por) 12:28; Girls 14-15/2.5mi: Teri Wierson (Por) 15:41

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### JANUARY

- 4-5 PITTSBURGH (Pa) INDOOR TRACK CLASSIC (Boys & Girls, 9-U & up, T & F) John Harwick, 467 Beverly Rd, Pittsburgh, Pa 15216
- 5 SO PACIFIC AAU ALL-COMERS, UCLA, Westwood, Ca (G, 9-U & up, T & F) Phil Snyder, 27102 Woodbrook, Palos Verdes, Ca 90274
- 11 ARIZONA AAU ALL-COMERS, Phoenix College (G, 9-U & up, T & F) Sue Humphrey, 1902 E Meadowbrook, Phoenix, Az 85016
- 17 JEFFCO (Co) JETS INDOOR (Girls) Skip Winner, 1521 So Younfield Ct, Lakewood, Colorado 80228
- 24-26 U.S. OLYMPIC COMMITTEE TRACK & FIELD CLINIC, Calif State U, Hayward.....Harmon Brown, 2335 David Ct, San Mateo, Ca 94403
- 24-25 SO CALIFORNIA INDOOR GAMES, Anaheim (B & G, 9-U & up, T & F) Jim Crumpton, 2525 Newport Blvd, Costa Mesa, Ca 92626
- 25 U of COLORADO INDOOR, Boulder (Girls, 9-U & up, Pentathlon/RW/LDR) Lyle Knudson, 3511 Colorado Ave, Loveland, Co 80537
- 25 ARIZONA AAU ALL-COMERS, Phoenix College (Girls, 9-U & up, T & F) Sue Humphrey, 1902 E Meadowbrook, Phoenix, Az 85016

### FEBRUARY

- 2 ALBUQUERQUE (NM) OLYMPETTE INDOOR MEET (Girls, 9-U & up, T & F) Floyd Highfill, 1516 Hoffman NE, Albuquerque NM
- 8 COLORADO TRACK CLUB OPEN INDOOR MEET, Boulder.....Dave Merkwowitz, 1046 Grandview, Boulder, Colorado 80302
- 9 SO PACIFIC AAU ALL-COMERS, southern California (Girls, 9-U & up, T & F) Bob Seaman (213) 926-5785
- 15 ARIZONA AAU ALL-COMERS, Phoenix College (Girls, 9-U & up, T & F) Sue Humphrey, 1902 E Meadowbrook, Phoenix, Az 85016
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- 22 MEMPHIS (Tn) INDOOR TRACK CLASSIC (B & G, 9-U & up, T & F) Harold Buehler, 4052 Barron Ave, Memphis, Tennessee 38111

### MARCH

- 2 ROCKY MT AAU INDOOR PENTATHLON/TRIATHLON, U of Colo, Boulder (G, 9-U & up) Lyle Knudson, 3511 Colorado Ave, Loveland, Co
- 8 ARIZONA AAU ALL-COMERS, Phoenix College (Girls, 9-U & up, T & F) Sue Humphrey, 1902 E Meadowbrook, Phoenix, Az 85016
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