

Reich's Record Vault Tops Carlmont Relays

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Berkeley High used its superior depth to win two firsts and six seconds on way to capturing the seventh annual Carlmont High Track and Field Relays at Carlmont Saturday morning.

El Cerrito finished 15 points in back of the Hornets while Pittsburg, Los Altos, Carlmont and San Mateo rounded out the classy field.

Although all the events were run as relays, there were some outstanding marks — including two Northern California bests.

Carlmont's Eric Reich led his team to a pole vault victory with a NorCal best of 14-4¼.

The mark was a personal high for Reich, setting a stadium record and moving him behind only Dennis Phillips (14-6) in Carlmont and San Mateo County vault history.

El Cerrito's fine crop of sprinters set a Northern California best of 3:23.7 in the mile relay, while equaling its own NorCal best of 42.7 in the 440 relay.

Carlmont captured one other relay besides the pole vault when it easily won the eight-mile with a team of Hans Templeman, Chris Carey, Ralph Furnnari and Al Coons. Carey ran away with the field with the fastest split of 9:36.2.

Other outstanding individuals included Los Altos' Chris Adams in the weights with a

172-4 discus throw and a 59-9 shot put; Alonzo Emery of San Mateo with a field record 23-2 in the long jump and Steve Arkley of Los Altos' triple jumped of 46-2½ — eight inches short of his NorCal best.

The only disappointment was the absence of State 880 champion George Alfaro of Pittsburg, who had to skip the meet after pulling a muscle in a dual meet last week.

All events are relays:

400 HH Shuffle — Pittsburg (Butler, Scott, Westley, Busby) 1:01.6, Berkeley, Carlmont, Los Altos, El Cerrito; 2 mile — Los Altos (Davis, Lambert, McCarthy, Brown) 8:12.3, Berkeley, Carlmont, San Mateo, El Cerrito; 440 — El Cerrito (Lubert, Battles, Walker, Burns) 42.7tmr, Berkeley, Pittsburg, Los Altos, San Mateo; Mile — El Cerrito (Wood, Gruberg, Peterson, Stodden) 3:23.7, Los Altos, Pittsburg, Berkeley, Carlmont; 8 mile — Carlmont (Carey, Templeman, Furnari, Coons) 40:36.6, Los Altos, San Mateo, El Cerrito, Pittsburg; 720 LH Shuffle — Pittsburg (Butler, Scott, Busby, Westley) 1:22.5, Berkeley, El Cerrito, San Mateo, Los Altos; 4 mile — Berkeley (E. Nelson, R. Nelson, Olpin, Dean) 18:28.0, El Cerrito, Pittsburg, Carlmont, San Mateo) 880 — El Cerrito (Lubert, Battles, Walker, Burns) 1:29.4, Berkeley, Pitt, San Mateo, Carlmont.

SP — Los Altos (Feitz, Stevens, McClure, Adams) 210-1½, Pittsburg, Berkeley, San Mateo, El Cerrito; Dis — Los Altos (Bohr, Adams, Hodges, Seed) 590-1, El Cerrito, Berkeley, Pittsburg, Carlmont; HJ — Pittsburg (Borroneo, McCormich, Simonon, Love) 22.6, Carlmont, Los Altos, Berkeley, El Cerrito; LJ — San Mateo (Emery, Jordan, Swann, Gloves) 82-3, Berkeley, El Cerrito, Pittsburg, Los Altos; TJ — Berkeley (Eurick, Perry, Kovis, Lee) 168-6½mr, Los Altos, Carlmont, Pittsburg, El Cerrito; PV — Carlmont (Jo, Holland, Reich, Je. Holland, Dempster) 47-10½, Berkeley, Los Altos, El Cerrito, San Mateo.

TEAM SCORING: Berkeley 64, El Cerrito 49, Pittsburg 48, Los Altos 48, Carlmont 35, San Mateo 22.

mr: meet record; tmr: ties meet record.

Track Relays At Carlmont

A host of Northern California's finest prep trackmen will be on hand at Carlmont High Saturday for the seventh annual Carlmont Invitational Relays.

Joining the host Scots are Pittsburg, one of Northern California's main hopes in the state meet, El Cerrito, Los Altos, Berkeley and San Mateo.

Each is considered one of the top teams in Northern California this season and the individuals and teams combined have provided 28 marks which are among the 10 best in Northern California.

All 14 varsity events will be staged as relays in this meet. Field events start at 9 a.m. and track events at 10 a.m.

El Cerrito is the defending

champion and the Gauchos have won half of the six previous Relays. Carlmont (1967), Berkeley (1965) and Pittsburg (1963) have also won a team title.

Pittsburg is the early favorite to win the title Saturday, as the Pirates have eight marks among Northern California bests this season.

Topping the Pirate roster is George Alfaro, the defending state 880 champ (1:53.3), with a 49.8 440 and 1:56.5 880 clockings this season, and Buck Black, who currently has the state's best mile time of 4:13.6 and NorCal's best 880 mark of 1:54.9.

Other Pirates stalwarts are shot putter Jerry Greys (56-3½) and hurdlers Jared Butler (14.5 highs, 19.2 lows) and Len Busby (14.5 highs).

Other top distance men in the field include Los Altos' Rick Brown (1:56.5 880, 49.5 440), El Cerrito's Dave Wood (1:58.0 880), Berkeley's John Dean (4:15.7 mile) and Carlmont's Chris Carey (4:17.2 mile).

In Black, Dean and Carey, the meet boasts the top three milers in Northern California.

Berkeley's Kirk Davis (14.2 highs, 19.0 lows) and Carlmont's Rich Nominni join Butler and Busby in an outstanding hurdle line-up, while four 9.9 100 dash men headline the spring field.

El Cerrito's running depth shows in the NorCal relay marks, where the Gauchos are No. 1 in the 440 relay at 42.7 and No. 2 in the mile relay at 3:24.6. Berkeley is second in the 440 relay and fourth in the mile relay; Los Altos fifth in the mile relay.

Heading the field list are potential 14-foot pole vaulters Jim Lydon of San Mateo, Sam Hampton of Berkeley and Eric Reich of Carlmont; discus (185-1) and shot put (59-6½) ace Chris Adams of Los Altos, triple jumper (46-8) Steve Arkley of Los Altos and high jumper (6-4½) Greg Harrison of El Cerrito.

Also on Saturday's prep schedule are four SPAL freshman baseball games and the King City Invitational track meet with Bellarmine in the field and the Martinex Track Relays with Serra entered.



PREP PROBE by Paul Savoia

Carlmont Relays Loaded

Track fans — or are all track "fans" really track nuts? — should plan on spending Saturday at Carlmont High.

On the Scot oval that day is the seventh annual Carlmont Relays, and Carlmont coach Loren Lansberry has rounded up five of the Bay Area's top prep spike teams to compete with his charges, the perennial SPAL champions.

Competing for team honors with the Scots are defending champion El Cerrito, Pittsburg, Berkeley, Los Altos and San Mateo.

Pittsburg, El Cerrito and Berkeley are the powers of the East Bay — maybe Northern California —, Los Altos is the early favorite to win the Central Coast Section crown and San Mateo is to the Mid Peninsula League what Carlmont has been to the SPAL.

In six events, competitors with the best time or mark in Northern California will be competing, while every event except the high jump will have at least one of Northern California's top 10 performers among the field.

Especially impressive will be the distance races, featuring three of the top four 880 men in Northern California, the three top milers and two of the best six two-milers.

Included in the distance races are Pittsburg's **George Alfaro** (1:56.5 880), **Buck Black** (4:13.6 mile) and **John Dean** (4:15.7 mile, 1:58.2 two mile), El Cerrito's **Dave Wood** (1:58.0 880), Berkeley's **Jeff Olpin** (4:27.7 mile and 9:43.7 two mile) and Carlmont's **Chris Carey** (4:17.2 mile and

9:47.0 two mile).

Three sprinters who have already clocked 9.9s, four quarter-milers under 51 seconds, the best hurdler in Northern California (Berkeley's **Kirk Davis**, the two best 440 relay teams in NorCal (El Cerrito, 42.9, and Berkeley, 43.0) . . . the list goes on.

It all adds up to an outstanding day of prep track, starting at 9 a.m. with the field events.

All events regularly scheduled for a high school meet are run as relays. For example, in place of the 880 run is a relay race of four 880 runners; rather than individual competition in the high jump, the heights of a school's top four high jumpers are added.

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