

Cherokees, Cats trophy crazy

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WATSONVILLE — As far as the spikers for Woodside and Sequoia high schools are concerned, the people here really know how to put on a track meet.

Woodside, in perhaps its best showing of the season, piled up 46 points to take second in a strong field of 15 in Saturday night's Watsonville relays and the Cats were rewarded with 30 — count 'em — trophies.

"Each member of the first, second and third place teams," Cat coach Claude Turner related, "got trophies. Members of the fourth and fifth teams got ribbons."

"The first place trophies were 18 inches high and had an \$8.95 sticker on the back. The others weren't bad, either. The kids were sure happy to get them," Turner added.

Watsonville copped its own crown with 56 points, while Lynbrook was third in the meet scored under a varsity-frosh-soph combined system. "I thought we did very well against the competition . . . like Merced, Monterey and Seaside, who are always tough," said Turner.

Top Cat highlight was Jim Orr's 6-1 leap in the varsity high jump which paced Woodside to first place with a 16-9 total when Rich Bowen and Bob Moonie each jumped 5-4.

Sequoia coach Joe Gregans reported: "We didn't enter many events but still took home 11 trophies (for 11 points). I'm kinda pleased with that."

Looking good in the sprints, Sequoia took seconds in both the quarter mile (43.3) and half mile (1:34.0). The team of juniors Ed Oravillo, Jerry Lilly and Steve Patrick and fleet anchorman Marlon Murphy ran both races.

Woodside's team of Phil Robinson, freshman Tim Doyle, Charles March and Robert Sweet was third in the

440 relay.

Basketballer Myrt Easley got Woodside off to a flying start in the frosh-soph distance medley with a 52.5 440, which ranks him among the best in the Central Coast Section, especially for sophomores. Connor Taylor then ran a 2:07.5 880, Mark Mangini a 3:26.3 1320 and Tim Lease a 4:46.8 mile for a third place 11:12.4 team time.

The Cats finished fourth in a special weightmans' 440 relay as the team of Bob Abbott, Hart Ezell, Dave Brunsting and Pat McCall clocked a 48.4 — not bad for nonsprinters.

In other varsity events, Woodside took second in the pole vault behind Steve Flynn's 11-6 leap; fourth in the discus behind Dave Dawson's throw of 135-11½ and fourth in the shot put paced by Abbott's 51-3.

Woodside won the frosh-soph two mile in a meet record 8:50.6 behind Dan Farwell (2:13.9), Dave Maahs (2:11.5), Taylor (2:13.4) and Mangini (2:12.0), and the F-S long jump behind James Totoritis (18-4), Adam Hicks (18-6) and Tony Young (19-1), a 55-7 total.

Although winning their heat by about 100 yards, the Cats just missed out on first place in the F-S mile to Watsonville by 0:00.4. "Being by ourselves hurt," Turner observed. Dave Kellogg ran a 55.5, Maahs a 57.0 Taylor a 56.1 and Easley finished up with a 54.6.

In other F-S events, Woodside took fifth in the shot behind Ezell's toss of 49-9, a school record for sophs; fifth in the discus behind McCall's 135-6 and fourth in the high jump paced by Robert Holms' 5-6 leap. Dave Keller and Ed Van Brink both jumped 5-4 to lead Sequoia to third in the F-S high jump.

Woodside will have to settle for prestige tomorrow when it hosts Palo Alto in a 3:15 p.m. SPAL makeup meet.