

Sports

Renteria runs to Top 8 win

*Delaplace, Ricketts
each place in 1,600*

By DICK SPARRER

Only the best were there... the cream of the crop.

The Central Coast Section Top 8 Track and Field Classic, and only the athletes with the best marks in the CCS this spring were invited to compete in the meet on the Los Gatos track.

How tough was the Friday night field? Well, the meet produced a national best, five meet records and seven CCS top marks.

St. Francis junior Damesha Craig had the top mark of the night. Craig, the daughter of former San Francisco 49ers superstar Roger Craig, covered the 100 in 11.3, a national best this season.

But Craig was just one of the many stars in the prestigious CCS Top 8 field.

Westmont's Lisa Renteria and Serena Delaplace and Saratoga's Anne Ricketts were other stars shining in the meet of superstars.

The talented Renteria raced to a first in the 1,600 meters in 5:12.0 and she added a fourth in the 800 in 2:22.6.

Delaplace was third in the 1,600 in 5:13.0 with Ricketts fifth in 5:15.9. Ricketts is just a freshman for the Falcons.

Warriors top Pioneer

The Westmont girls were coming off an 89-27 dual meet win over Pioneer. The Warriors improved to 7-0 in the West Valley Division of the Blossom Valley Athletic League with the victory.

Stephanie Herrera and Phung Hinh starred for the Warriors in the dual meet with two wins apiece. Herrera raced to wins in the 100 in 13.3 and the 200 in 28.2, and Hinh took the long jump at 12-11 and the triple jump at 29-0. The two teamed with Loan Hinh and Lisako Bridgewater for a first in the 440 relay in 55.7.

Saratoga splits

The Saratoga boys were winning, but the girls were losing in the El Camino Division of the Santa Clara Valley Athletic League last week.

Brian Carroll raced to a win in the 100 in 11.1 and took the 300 intermediate hurdles in 40.5 to lead the Saratoga boys to 65-62 win over Lynbrook. Carroll also joined with Daniel Miner, Adam Urbano and Alex [unclear] to win the 400 relay in 45.9.

Junior star Hank Nothhaft took the 400 in 54.1 and got together with Danny Cheng, Robert Chin and Lux for a first in the 1,600 relay in 3:39.4.



Photograph by Robert Scheer

Saratoga freshman Anne Ricketts scoots around the pack on her way to a fifth in the 1,600 meters at the CCS Top 8 Classic at Los Gatos.

Alex Fields added a first in the shot put at 39-2 1/2, Mark Marshall was a winner in the discus at 120-2 1/2 and Gabe Calebotta was tops in the high jump at 6-1.

The win helped the Falcons improve to 4-3 in the division.

Aman Sinohl took the 1,600 in 4:59 and the 800 in 2:13 to lead the Lynbrook effort in the meet. Nick Tung was first in the 200 in 23.2, Paul Nevis won the 3,200 in 10:42.1, Jaime Baer was tops in the 110 high hurdles in 15.6, D. Chen took the triple jump at 40-11 3/4 and Josh Moore was a

winner in the long jump at 20-4.

In girls' action, double winners Megan McCloskey, Janet Wu, Dooja Mehta and Farah Hussain led Lynbrook to a 71-56 win over the Falcons.

McCloskey was first in the 800 meters in 2:30.5 and the triple jump at 32-7, Wu took the 1,600 meters in 5:50.7 and the 3,200 in 13:45, Mehta was tops in the 100 in 12.9 and the 200 in 28.1 and Hussain took the high jump at 4-4 and the long jump at 14-3.

Sue Pan was a double winner in the weight events for the Falcons in

the loss. Pan took the shot put at 27-8 1/2 and added a first in the discus at 80-3 1/2.

Ann Birenbaum came through with a first in the 400 in 1:06.7 for the Falcons. Laura Prolo took the 100-meter hurdles in 18.2 and Andrea Graziosi was a winner in the 300 hurdles in 51.9.

Leah Blackwell, Stephanie Sun, Nicole Coghlan and Kim Fong teamed for a win in the 1,600-meter relay in 4:38.2.

The Falcons slipped to 4-3 in the division with the loss.

Crosby tosses no-hitter for Yankees

By DICK SPARRER

When Michael Crosby gave up a walk in the first inning, it seemed harmless enough.

The Saratoga Yankees had already scored three runs in the top half of the inning, so what harm could a single base on balls do?

Plenty for a pitcher trying to be perfect. And Crosby almost was. As it turns out, the first-inning walk was all Crosby would allow in the Saratoga Pony League game. The 14-year-old hurler tossed a no-hitter to lead his club to a 5-0 win over the North County Angels.

Crosby didn't exactly struggle in the first, but he did give up a walk and it took a diving catch by center fielder Scotty Snider to keep a pop fly from falling in for a hit. From then on, though, Crosby was in command.

He had no strikeouts in the first, but he fanned 10 of the next 18 batters he faced to nail down the no-hitter and the win. Eight routine ground balls to shortstop Jim Huether, second sacker Michael Mann and first basemen Joe Gentzkow and Max Sandigo were all Crosby allowed in his gem.

Crosby struck out the first two batters he faced in the seventh and

nailed down the no-hitter when the final hitter bounced to Sandigo for an unassisted out at first.

Justin Oliver handled the catching chores for the Yankees in the no-hitter.

Crosby helped his own cause at the plate in the win with a double and two singles. Bryce Allen and Huether each singled and doubled in the win.

A two-run single by Allen keyed a three-run rally in the first for the Yanks, and that would be all Crosby would need for the win. But the Yanks scored again in the third, and Crosby doubled home Huether with an insurance run in the seventh.