

Palo Alto rates big favorite in PAL title meet

Palo Alto's strong country team, labeled the best among the nation's high schools by its coach Forrest Jamieson, is an overwhelming favorite to win tomorrow's annual running of the Peninsula Athletic League championships at the Stanford golf course. The meet starts at 3 p.m.

Ron Larrieru, the PAL mile champ, heads a string of Palo Alto runners who have bettered 4:48 in the mile. Favored to take individual honors, Larrieu has an all-time best of 4:28 for the four-lap distance.

Other Viking entries include Tom Cathcart (4:32), John Morrison and Bill Whitson (4:34), Steve Johnson (4:45) and Don Brown (4:48).

Lone threat to Palo Alto hopes is Carlmont, recent San Mateo county winner, led by diminutive Tom Jent.

Also scheduled for the Stanford course tomorrow is the Santa Clara Valley Athletic League championships. James Lick of San Jose rates as the top team favorite.

Palo Alto team dominates PAL cross country meet

Palo Alto was still the top cross country team in the Peninsula Athletic League today but ace Ron Larrieu's 16-meet winning streak, built up over a three year span, was ended.

The Vikings, labeled by Coach Forrest Jamieson as the best high school team in the nation, won the PAL championships at Stanford golf course handily with 25 points, but Larrieu, returning after a week's illness, finished fifth.

Palo Alto won six of the first 10 places.

Individual winner was Carlmont's Tom Jent, whose 10:18 clocking over the 1 and 95/100 mile course kept him undefeated this season. The Highlanders finished second in the scoring with 43 points and were the only team reasonably close

to the heavily favored Vikings.

Larrieu had not lost a meet since the last outing of 1953, when he scored his first victory over another Palo Alto ace, Roger Stephens. Larrieu holds the Stanford course and PAL record of 10:10.4.

Palo Alto sophomore John Northway set a new PAL record in the frosh-soph meet, but Carlmont won the underclassmen division with 35 points. Jefferson had 37 and Palo Alto 53.

Northway finished in 11:12, breaking the record of 11:54 set by Palo Alto's Bill Oliver last year.

Varsity scoring and top 10 runners:

Scoring—Palo Alto 25, Carlmont 43, Burlingame 94, Jefferson 100, Lincoln 118, Capuchino 177, San Jose 190. San Mateo, South San Francisco and Sequoia did not score.

Top ten — Tom Jent, Carlmont (10:18); John Morrison, PA (10:22); Tom Cathcart, PA (10:26); Craig Stillman, Carlmont (10:28); Ron Larrieu, PA (10:36); Don Lee, Lincoln (10:43); Bill Whitson, PA (10:50); Steve Johnson, PA (10:51); Mike McMahon, Burlingame (10:52); Donald Brown, PA (10:56).

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Bearcats, Scots, Norse Win Cross-Country; Jent Takes First

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San Mateo, Carlmont and Palo Alto High schools ruled the cross-country lanes today following the Peninsula Athletic league meet yesterday which saw the loop's No. 1 harrier run "out of the money."

Palo Alto High school won the varsity coronet despite the fact that Ron Larrieu, the premeat favorite, ran fifth.

San Mateo, paced by Mike Paul and Dave Carlson took the junior varsity title, and Carlmont, with Tom Jent setting the pace, won the frosh-soph togs.

Jent placed first in the varsity event in 10:18 over the 1.95-mile course, but the Norse took second with John Morrison and third with Tom Cotheart to win the division. Carlmont's Craig Spilman ran fourth.

John Northway placed first in the frosh-soph division, covering Carlmont following.

Jent led the varsity pack all the way. He left the starting post in a sprint and ran a foot ahead of Morrison for more than a mile. Then he pulled away and broadaced across the finish line first.

Here is the complete order of finish with times in parentheses.

Varsity Score

Palo Alto—25, Carlmont—43, Burlingame—96, Jefferson—105, Lincoln—122, Capuchino—145, San Jose—199, South San Francisco and Sequoia did not finish.

Results

Tom Jent (Carl) 10:18; John Morrison (PA) 10:22; Tom Cathcart (PA) 10:26; Craig Spilman (Carl) 10:29; Ron Larrieu (PA) 10:38; Don Lee (L) 10:43; Bill Whitson (PA) 10:50; Steven Johnson (PA) 10:51; Mike McMahon (B) 10:52; Dan Brown (PA) 10:58; Jerry Barney (Carl) 11:00; John Johnson (B) 11:00; Steve Petty (Carl) 11:01; Don Zepfel (Carl) 11:02; Gil Werder (Carl) 11:03; Jay Sellers (B) 11:11; Stan Breed (SSF) 11:12; Ken Cooper (J) 11:17; Andy Estigoy (J) 11:18; Dick Johnson (J) 11:22; Bill Klose (Carl) 11:23; Dick Tucker (L) 11:23; Bob Millward (J) 11:24; Bob Mund (Cap) 11:25; Dave Garcia (J) 11:34; Steve Storm (PA) 11:37; Jim Taylor (J) 11:38; Dick McClintock 11:39; Tom Boyce (L) 11:47; Pete Gramken (B) 11:52; Bob Saxe (SJ) 12:00; Rod Braughton (SJ) 12:03; Bob Silveric (L) 12:04; George Grass (J) 12:05; Ned Benedirt (Cap) 12:17; Oco Brown (Cap) 12:17; Ralph Franzen (S) 12:20; Dick Geimer (Cap) 12:26; De Constantine (SJ) 12:29; Non Kendall (B) 12:39; Charles Wills (SJ) 12:44; Norm Jenks (L) 12:50; Frank Hinman (S) 12:59; Jack Evans (Cap) 13:02; Bob Lan (L) 13:25; Larry Brown (Cap) 12:37.

Junior Varsity Score

San Mateo—21, Palo Alto—59, Jefferson—94, Carlmont—103, South San Francisco—119.

Results

Mike Paul (SM) 11:15; Wyatt Mosta (SSF) 11:16; Dave Carlson (SM) 11:30; George Parkinson (SM) 11:33; Bill Gehring (SM) 11:38; Scott Kennedy (PA) 11:47; Bob Bates (PA) 11:48; John Jackson (J) 11:50; Tom Joyce (SM) 11:54; Jim Lynn (SM) 11:59; Phil Edy (SSF) 12:01; Fred Pariani (SSF) 12:06; Steve Mack (J) 12:08; Dave Steinkey (PA) 12:14; Jeff Bertelsen (PA) 12:18; Jim Walker (Carl) 12:18; Dick Wedge (PA) 12:25; Doug Finch (PA) 12:30; Don Brockway (Carl) 12:30; Jim Campbell (PA) 12:32; Todd Barthold (Carl) 12:33; Dave Brown (Carl) 12:34; Boyd Hiller (J) 12:35; Jerry Bennett (J) 12:36; John Winther (Carl) 12:38.

Frosh-Soph

Palo Alto—53.

(Carl) 11:50; Jim Gustafson (J) 11:54; Arnold Poillard (J) 11:56; Jim Reams (Carl) 11:58; Barry Woodruff (Carl) 12:03; Tom Bridges (PA) 12:06; Neil Froeman (Carl) 12:06; Walt Baccala (Carl) 12:07; Joe Giusti (J) 12:11; Craig Duocan (PA) 12:17; Hugh Coleman (PA) 12:19; Don Helstrup (Carl) 12:22; Phil Green (J) 12:26; Gary Worden (Carl) 12:29; Gary Romrell (J) 12:33; Earl Graves (J) 12:38; Mike Kennedy (PA) 12:51; Tom Young (PA) 13:22; Elliot Smith (PA) 13:28; Andy Berkheiser (PA) 13:42.

Carlmont—35, Jefferson—37, Results
John Northway (PA) 11:12; Al Dahlz (J) 11:29; Doug Towns

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