

Amherst Athletes Take Fourth in Track Meet

Last week Wednesday an undermanned but determined Town of Amherst squad of boys and girls competed at Hamburg in the annual Suburban Erie County Junior Olympic Track and Field meet. The senior boys (16-17 years) not only led in point scoring but managed to set 3 new records for the meet, and thereby bring Amherst-Williamsville into 4th place behind Lackawanna, Alden and Hamburg in the team standings.

Tom Zierk of Snyder proved one of the outstanding performers of the day as he broke the broad jump record with a leap of 19'-11½" and dashed home first in the 100-yard dash in creditable time of 11:2 on the heavy track. Bill Galvin added another record to his list as he put the shot 43'8½". Bob Manske made his first crack at the mile run in a winning effort as he broke the tape in 5:09.8, also a new record. Len Johnson finished 2nd in the 220 as he pushed Dick Powers to a new meet record while Bob Wilson gained a 2nd place in the 440.

Earl Campbell contributed two 2nds to the team total as he placed in the Intermediate boys (14-15) 100-yard dash and the broad jump, in each case being nosed out by record-breaking performances.

The only girl entry from Amherst in any class was Carolyn Lehr of Eggertsville who took two 2nds in the Junior (13 and under) division as she placed 2nd in the 75-yard dash and the standing broad jump.

All of the above point winners thus earned the right to represent the suburban Erie County team in its annual run-off with the City of Buffalo champions on Aug. 13 (today) at All-High Stadium in Buffalo.

In addition to the above point scorers, Ted Totman tied for 4th in the Intermediate boys high jump while Peter Minich scored the only Junior Boys points when he jumped to a 4th place in the standing broad jump.

Town Recreation director, Bill Wratten expressed his congratulations to all of the youngsters who generously gave of their time to represent their town in this annual event.

Amherst Track Team Ties For Fourth in Junior Olympic Finals

A week ago Amherst-Williamsville emerged from the qualifying suburban track meet with a fourth. Last Thursday, the cream of the county engaged their city cousins in the finals of the Junior Olympic track program for 1953. While the City of Buffalo team managed an overall victory, the Amherst group gained a tie for 4th in competition with all of the playgrounds and towns.

Bill Galvin of Snyder repeated his win of last week by outputting the Buffalo shotputters with a toss of 43 ft. 9 in. Carolyn Lehr, the only Amherst girl competing improved on her performance of last week by winning the standing broad jump with a leap of 7 ft. 9 in to turn the tables on her Alden opponent of last week. Carolyn also added a 4th place in the 75-yd. dash to tie her with Tom Zierk as high point getter for the Town forces.

Tom Zierk was nosed out in both the senior 100 and broadjump, in both cases by a matter of inches, the 100 finish being a photo finish for the judges. Len Johnson came in a close third in the 220, while Bob Wilson and Bob Manske took 4th places in the 440 and mile respectively.

Mack Campbell copped a 3rd place in the Intermediate 100 yard dash and jumped to a 4th place in the broad jump.

This was the 4th annual year of the Junior Olympic program which is co-sponsored by the Erie County Youth Recreation program and the Buffalo Recreation Dept. The marks set by the athletes are now entered into competition with records posted in more than 50 other Junior Olympic programs throughout the United States in order to determine national champions.

Results of the First Annual Championship Swim Meet In the Town of Amherst

Close to 1,000 residents of the Town of Amherst crowded around the Park School open air pool to witness the first annual swim championship for youths under 18. 110 boys and girls filled the entry lists so that preliminary heats were held on Wednesday and semi-final heats were necessary on Thursday, before the final splashes could be recorded. Supervisor Eduard Metz presented the first, second and third place prizes on a podium, a la Olympic style, and the closeness of many races forced the judges into many a huddle before official results could be announced by the capable Dr. Jos. Deluhery. The meet officials were furnished by the AAU and handled under the supervision of Robert Chalmers, referee of the meet. All of the times made at the meet become a part of the record book and will provide incentive for future years. While several exceptional times were recorded, the calibre of sportsmanship was among the best ever seen at a meet of this size. Meet Director Herb Mols was most grateful for the splendid co-operation received from all the officials and organizations which added even a small bit to the success of the meet, but most of all, he expressed satisfaction over the willingness of many of the beginner swimmers to enter such a competition, for it was the number of swimmers, in addition to the quality, which made for the exceptional spirit among the swimmers and spectators alike.

Results of the Races

Finals:

Junior girls 20-yd. breast stroke: Won by Sally Anderson, Snyder; Ann Marcille, Williamsville; Lucille Steel, Eggertsville; :20.8.

Junior boys 20-yard breast stroke: Won by Terry Thompson, Snyder; Tom Thompson, Snyder; Dave Harrison, Eggertsville; Paul Harrison, Eggertsville; :19.9.

Junior boys 20-yard back stroke: Won by Hugh Johnson, Snyder; John Hart, Eggertsville; Chip Frauchenheim, Eggertsville; David Ward, Snyder; :16.3.

Junior boys 20-yd. free style: Won by Hugh Johnson, Snyder; John Knapp, Eggertsville; Fred Seidl, Williamsville; Jim Waite, Eggertsville. :11.6. Record of :11.0 set by Johnson in heat.

Junior girls 20-yd. free style: Won by Harriet Wells, Snyder; Ruth Jonathon, Eggertsville; Carol Landreville, Williamsville; Sandra Hunt, Williamsville. :13.6. Record of :13.0 set by Wells in heat.

Intermediate girls 20-yd. back stroke: Won by Ellen Balmis, Eggertsville; Brenda Mols, Snyder; Diana Mangold, Williamsville; Gerry Spangler, Snyder. :15.5.

Intermediate girls 40-yd. free style: Won by Nancy Hoppe, Williamsville; Brenda Clucas, Snyder; Susan Anderson, Snyder; Gerry Worden, Williamsville. :28.9. Record of :28.2 set by Nancy Hoppe in semi-finals.

Intermediate boys 40 yd. breast stroke: Won by Jim McDonnell, Williamsville; Richard Chappell, Eggertsville; William Wutz, Williamsville. :29.2.

Intermediate boys 40-yd. back stroke: Won by Fred Bickus, Williamsville; Richard Aquino, Williamsville; John Brunner, Snyder; Terry Maloney, Snyder. :30.0. Record of :28.4 set by Bickus in semi-finals.

Intermediate boys 40-yd. free style: Won by Douglas Hettrich, Eggertsville; Neil Abercrombie, Williamsville; Mike Ferrick, Snyder; Tom Ferguson, Snyder. :24.0.

Senior boys 120-yd. individual medley: Won by William Nicholson, Snyder; David Lyon, Snyder; Richard Giolando, Snyder. 1:40.3.

Senior boys 100-yd. free style: Won by Robert Hohlstein, Snyder; Robert Haas, Snyder; Lawrence Read, Williamsville. 1:00.0.

Senior girls 40-yd. breast stroke: Won by Irene Sachs, Snyder; Astrid Dietrich, Snyder; Molly Blow, Snyder. :42.5.

Senior girls 40-yd. back stroke: Won by Susan Haas, Snyder; Rosemary Graver, Snyder; Louise Hedden, Snyder. :36.3.

Senior girls 40-yd. free style: Won by Anne Wells, Snyder; Carol Lock, Snyder; Sandra Mols, Snyder. :27.8.

Senior boys 60-yd. breast stroke: Won by Terry Wilson, Snyder; Bob Wilson, Snyder; Ray Rogers, Snyder. :42.4.

Senior boys 60-yd. back stroke: Won by Len Johnson, Snyder; Fred Osborne, Williamsville; Pete Schillke, Snyder. :46.0.

Senior boys 40-yd. free style: Won by Karl Seidl, Williamsville; Raymond Johnson, Snyder; Dale Casto, Snyder; Matthew Michels, Williamsville. :20.5.

Junior girls 80-yd. relay: Won by Mary Cunningham, Ruth Jonathon, Kathleen Stotz and Mary Cunningham. 2nd, Gail Osborn, Laurie Koessler, Sally Anderson and Harriett Wells. 3rd, Sandra Hunt, Ann Marcille, Virginia Whaley and Carol Landreville. 4th, Sheila Cleary, Maureen Cleary, Sandra Clark, and Mary Bryan. 1:07.3.

Junior boys 80-yd. relay: Won by Terry Thompson, Hugh Johnson, Scott Ferguson and Stuart Johnson. 2nd, Jack Rowell, Bill McGovern, John Hardy and John Knapp. 3rd, Paul Harrison, Teddy Burrows, Chip Frauchenheim and Dave Harrison. 4th, Dave Postoloff, Mike Passmore, Jerry Eggert, Fred Seidl. :56.9.

Intermediate girls 80-yd. relay: Won by Barbara Eno, Diana Mangold, Geraldine Worden and Nancy Hoppe. 2nd, Susan Anderson, Sandra Clark, Brenda Mols and Brenda Clucas. 3rd, Ruth Cryan, Maureen Cleary, Edna Conlon and Sharon Gourlay. :58.1.

Intermediate boys 160-yd. relay: won by Bill Pfohl, Mike Bowers, Bill Wutz, and Neil Abercrombie. 2nd, Dick Aquino, Tom Ferguson, Fred Bickus and Jim McDonnell. 3rd, Tom Leader, Doug Hettrich, Bill Cunningham and Paul Durkin. 4th John Brunner, Terry Maloney, Bill Hodson and Mike Ferrick. 1:55.5.

Senior girls 160-yd. relay: Won by Susan Haas, Molly Blow, Carol Lock and Ann Wells. 2nd, Irene Sachs, Rosemary Graver, Astrid Dietrich and Louise Hedden. 2:05.8.

Senior boys 160-yd. relay: Won by Bob Hohlstein, Bob Haas, Bill Nicholson, and Karl Seidl. 2nd, Ray Johnson, Dave Lyon, Dick Giolando and Len Johnson. 3rd, Ray Rogers, Pete Schillke, Matt Michels and Larry Read. 1:30.7.

Amherst Swim Meet To Be Annual Affair; Johnson Brothers Star

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Meet director of the Town of Amherst's first swimming meet in the Park School's outdoor pool Thursday evening, Herb Mols had plenty of work to do.

"But I can't get anything done," Mols said as he paused briefly at the press table. "Every time I start for the other end of the pool to check entries, several people stop me. Perhaps I better dive in and swim down; I'll get there faster."

More than a hundred persons from the crowd of about 1000 spectators talked to Mols. And they all said the same thing:

"You did a great job. This is a wonderful swimming meet."

"The fans and competitors really enjoyed it," Mols said later. "From now on it will be an annual affair."

The Johnson brothers, Stuart and Hugh, of Snyder, dominated the junior boys events by scoring one individual victory apiece and then teaming with Terry Thompson and Scott Ferguson to win the relay event.

Karl Seidl of Amherst Central High School, the Section VI 40-yard freestyle king, won his specialty and teamed with Bob Hohlstein, Bill Nicholson and Bob Haas to win the senior boys 160-free relay. Hohlstein and Nicholson also were double winners. Winners in all events follow:

JUNIOR BOYS: 20-YARD FREESTYLE—Stuart Johnson, time, :11.6; 20-BACKSTROKE—Hugh Johnson, :16.3; 20-BREASTSTROKE—Terry Thompson, :19.9; 80-RELAY—Thompson, H. Johnson, Scott Ferguson, S. Johnson. :56.9.

JUNIOR GIRLS: 20-YARD FREE—Harriet Wells, :13.6; 20-BREASTSTROKE—Sally Anderson, :20.8; 80-YARD RELAY—Mary Cunningham, Ruth Jonathon, Kathleen Stotz, Gail Cunningham. 1:07.3.

INTERMEDIATE BOYS: 40-YARD FREE—Douglas Hettrich, :24; 40-BACKSTROKE—Fred Bickus, :30; 40-BREASTSTROKE—Jim McDonnell, :29.2; 160-RELAY—Bill Pfohl, Mike Bowers, Bill Wutz, Neil Abercrombie. 1:55.5.

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SENIOR BOYS: 40-YARD FREE—Karl Seidl, :20.5; 100-FREE—Bob Hohlstein, :60; 60-BREASTSTROKE—Terry Wilson, :42.4; 60-BACKSTROKE—Leonard Johnson, :46; 120-INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY—William Nicholson, 1:40.3; 160-FREE RELAY—Hohlstein, Bob Haas, Nicholson, Seidl. 1:30.7.

SENIOR GIRLS: 40-YARD FREE—Anne Wells, :27.6; 40-BREASTSTROKE—Irene Sachs, :42.5; 40-BACKSTROKE—Susan Haas, :36.3; 160-FREE RELAY—Susan Haas, Molly Blow, Carol Lock, Anne Wells, 2:05.8.