

St. Ignace Boys 1st, Girls 2nd in Division 2 Region Track Meet

By David Latva

The St. Ignace Saints' success continues on the oval track, as the boys won seven events and swept the 400-meter dash race to capture the championship and the girls finished second during the Division 2 regionals at Newberry, Friday, May 19.

Newberry and Stephenson hosted Division 2 regionals. Athletes and relay teams finishing in the top four qualify for the Upper Peninsula State Finals in Kingsford Saturday, June 3.

Boys Division Scoring: The Saints tallied 59 points, followed by the host Indians with 49, Munising 37, Manistique 24, Rudyard 13, and Gwinn 5.

"We had a good effort from everyone," said Saints Coach Dave Brines. "We trailed 33-21 before Davis, Pierson, Marshall, and Smock went 1-2-3-4 in the 400-meter dash to give us a big lift."

"Pete Everson has been helping with the pole vaulters and Ed Lester has been working with the relay handoffs, and that has helped the entire team."

Girls Division Scoring: Gwinn won the regional title with 49 points, followed by St. Ignace and Newberry with 38 points, Manistique 34, Rudyard 15, and Munising 13.

St. Ignace Boys: Senior Paul Davis won the 200-meter dash with a time of 23.46 and 400-meter dash in 53.99 and finished second in the 100-meter dash. Derrick Clark won the pole vault with a height of 11'0" and the high hurdles in 17.31 and placed third in the low hurdles, and Anthony Lester won the high jump with a mark of 5'8."

The Saints 800-meter relay team of Jesse Becker, Zach Pierson, Derrick Clark, and Paul Davis finished first in 1:36.10. The 1600-meter relay foursome of Nick Montie, Derek Marshall, Mario Calcaterra, and Zach Pierson placed first in 3:45.16. The 400-meter relay group of Kyle Smock, Ben Matelski, Anthony Lester, and Jesse Becker took second, and the 3200-meter relay team of Kody King,

Nick Montie, Mario Calcaterra, and Derek Marshall finished fourth.

Mario Calcaterra placed second in the low hurdles and long jump. Zach Pierson was second in the 400-meter dash, Derek Marshall third in the 400-meter dash, and Jesse Becker fourth in the 100 and 200-meter dashes. Kyle Smock placed fourth in the 400-meter dash, and James Sayles fourth in the shot put.

St. Ignace Girls: Kelsey Cryderman won the 400 meter dash in 1:02.72 and was second in the 200-meter dash. Jaimee Blossom won the pole vault with a height of 8'0."

The foursome of Stacey Schnicke, Caysey Brown, Ashley St. Louis, and Kelsey Cryderman won the 400-meter relay in 54.70 and the 800-meter relay in 1:53.45. The team of Amanda Coveyou, Caysey Brown, Stacey Schnicke, and Ashley St. Louis finished second in the 1600-meter relay. The 3200-meter relay group of Chelcee Tiernan, Page Paul, Jodie Langstaff, and Amanda Coveyou took third.

Amanda Coveyou placed second in the high jump and fourth in the 400-meter dash. Stacey Schnicke was second in the low hurdles, Kayla Gustin third in the high hurdles, and Ashley St. Louis fourth in the 100-meter dash.

Rudyard Boys: Travis Clegg finished second in the shot put. Travis Siegwart came in second in the pole vault. Mike Chantos was third in the 100 and 200-meter dashes and third in the high jump. The Bulldogs took fourth in the 400-meter relay.

Rudyard Girls: Brittany Hoolesma won the 3200-meter run in 13:28.11 and finished third in the 1600-meter run. Aimee Doyle was third in the 3200-meter run and fourth in the 1600-meter run. Allyson Markstrom was third in the high jump and fourth in the 200-meter dash. Courtney Fowler placed third in the long jump, and Alisha Thompson fourth in the pole vault.

LaSalle High School To Host SAC Meet; Honor 1956 Track Team Members



The St. Ignace Boys Track Team won the Division 2 Regionals at Newberry Friday, May 19. Team members (front, from left) are Sean McDonald, Michael Wilk, Kaiden Shiemke, Jesse Becker, Ben Matelski, Kody King, Mario Calcaterra; (middle) Frank Beaudoin, Derek Rutledge, Kyle Smock, Stephan Saffian, Paul Davis, Anthony Lester, Shane Spring, Derek Marshall; (back) Assistant Coach Diane Huskey, Jake Smith, Jon Ruegg, James Sayles, Derrick Clark, Jake Weiss, Nick Montie, Zach Pierson, Stephen Massaway, and Head Coach Dave Brines.

LaSalle High School will host the Straits Area Conference Track and Field championships Thursday, May 25, at the Kiwanis Track Complex. Before the event starts, the Saints track program will honor members of the first team from 1956.

Members from the inaugural team expected to attend are Joe Frazier, Terry Smith, Frankie Rogers, Pete Spieles, Gil Ziegler, Calvin Prout, Dwayne Sorenson, and Ron Walker.

The former Saints track stars will be introduced at 3:30 p.m. and presented with a gift from the St. Ignace athletic program.

Meet of Champions Canceled for 2006

The Meet of Champions scheduled for the St. Ignace Kiwanis Track Complex Tuesday, May 30, has been canceled for the 2006 season, but will return in 2007.

For more information, contact Marty Spencer at 643-8800.

Saints Boys Set 800 Relay School, Meet Record

By David Latva

The St. Ignace boys 800-meter relay foursome of Jesse Becker, Derrick Clark, Zach Pierson, and Paul Davis set a new LaSalle High School (LHS) record and established a meet mark during the running of the 50th Annual Petoskey Kiwanis Relays Tuesday, May 16.

The Saints were timed in 1:34.4, breaking the LHS mark of 1:34.6 set by David Brown, Jo Jo Visnaw, Brad Ledy, and Sean McLafferty in 1993, and breaking the meet time of 1:35.3 held by a foursome from Boyne City in 1994.

St. Ignace finished second in the combined boys/girls meet at Petoskey in the White Division among Class C schools.

The St. Ignace girls 800-meter relay team of Stacey Schnicke, Caysey Brown, Ashley St. Louis, and Kelsey Cryderman finished first with a time of 1:55.0 and the mixed sprint-medley relay foursome of Kelsey Cryderman, Ashley St. Louis, Jesse Becker, and Paul Davis placed first in 1:17.70.

Individually Paul Davis won the 100-meter dash in 11.40 and Page Paul competed in the Neidhamer 1600-meter run with a time of 6:50.6.

Placing second in the relay events were the boys 400-meter



The Saints record setting 800-meter relay team includes (from left) Jesse Becker, Derrick Clark, Zach Pierson, and Paul Davis.

relay squad of Ben Matelski, Kyle Calcaterra, and Jesse Becker, mixed shot put relay team foursome of Megan Gustafson, Chelsea Bosley, James Sayles, and Derrick Clark, and the mixed high jump relay team of Amanda Coveyou, Ashley St. Louis, Anthony Lester, and Jake Weiss. Placing fourth was the mixed 3200-meter relay group of Page Paul, Amanda Coveyou, Nick Montie, and Derek Marshall.



Richard Gibson was the only triple-winner during the regionals as the Panther won the 800, 1600, and 3200-meter runs.



The Cedarville Trojans 1600-meter relay team from the region meet (from left) Billie McLeod, Lauren Izzard, Lindsay McLeod, and Katie Bowly.

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