

Sports and Recreation

Sandy girls rewrite the books in track

by John Kline

The final results are in for the Sandy girls and boys track teams this year and after the smoke has cleared from the lanes, track coach Randy Hutchinson is left with a big smile on his face.

Not that the two teams accomplished all the goals they set for themselves this year. They've still got a few to come back for next season.

But the smile is there for good reason. The Sandy girls made mincemeat of the record books on their way to a 5-0 dual meet record.

And after a rather sluggish start in the first week of the season, the boys came on with a stronger than expected finish.

"I'd have to say we accomplished most of our goals," Hutchinson said in summing up the team's overall performance.

"The girls didn't win the district meet as we had hoped," he said. "But if you achieve all your goals one year there's nothing to reach for next season."

Despite the fact that the lady Pioneers suffered a few setbacks in the late part of the season due to injuries and

Jackie Layng set new marks in the 100 (12.0) and 200 (25.8) dashes.

Christie Elliott set a new record in the 400 with a time of 59.9 set at the state meet.

And Jan Van Beek, who competed for half the season, set new records in the 800 (2:20) and 3000 (11:02).

The only boys record to fall this spring was in the 1500 where Ken Urban ran a 4:08.5.

The boys lost three dual meets to Estacada, Molalla and Canby in the first part of the season but came back to

defeat all three teams in the Canby Invitational May 2.

"That has to be one of the highlights of the year," Hutchinson said.

"Altogether, it was a good year," he added. "We had a solid group of athletes as I've seen here."

Hutchinson will coordinate a track clinic next month (July 6-14) at the high school track. Athletes from all age groups are eligible to attend.

Pole vault specialist Jim Puckett from Mt. Hood Community College will be on hand to aid with the training techniques.

Other uncontrollable factors, they still managed to set new school records in every event but two (the shot and 1500 run) during the season.

Michele Cleland shattered the javelin record with a throw of 149' 8" at the CVL meet. She had broken the

record prior to that in the Barlow Invitational.

Cleland, a sophomore, also set a new school mark in the discus at 122' 8" and came within two inches of the shot put record.

Robin Rohde and Esme Jensen had a friendly rivalry in the high jump throughout the season as each took turns going for the old mark of 5'1". Both leapers cleared well over that height on several occasions. Rohde cleared 5'4" at the end of the season for the new school record.

Cherie Elliott knocked five inches off the old long jump record with a mark of 16' 3" despite the fact that she made the leap with a broken collarbone, it was later learned.

On the track, Sara Shreeve set new records in the 100 and 200 hurdles with times of 16.1 and 30.6, respectively.



Softball season starts

The Sandy Men's softball league got underway Monday night when the two teams fielded by Adventist Church

clashed at the elementary school field. Ladies play gets underway tonight. The season will run through August 17.



Gymnastics clinic set

A two-week summer gymnastics program will be held next month at Sandy Union High School for gymnasts and youngsters interested in learning the basics of the sport.

Laura Pihlaja-Muehleck, head gymnastics coach at Sandy High, will conduct the clinic which will run Monday through Friday for two

weeks, July 17-21 and 24-28.

Lessons will be held in four skill areas: beginners, advanced, beginners, intermediates and advanced. Fees range from \$10 to \$25, depending on the skill level.

Further information on the clinic may be obtained by calling the high school at 668-4151.

Sandy finishes 4th in CVL

The Sandy High athletic teams managed to win only one Coast Valley championship during the past year but were strong enough in the remaining 16 sports to finish a strong fourth overall in the final league point standings.

The lone championship came in boys swimming where the Pioneers claimed their fifth straight title.

Sandy finished the year with 93 points, 30 behind first place Canby which also won just one league title, the baseball championship.

Forest Grove took three league championships and finished in second in the final standings with 106½ points. Newberg did not win a single title but still came in third at 100½ points.

Final CVL Standings

1. Canby (1)	123
2. Forest Grove (3)	106½
3. Newburg (0)	100½
4. Sandy (1)	93
5. Sweet Home (1)	90½
6. (tie) Astoria (1)	90
McMinnville	90
8. Dallas (2)	89½
9. Estacada (2)	83½
10. Silverton (2)	73
11. St. Helen's (1)	69½
12. Molalla (0)	58½

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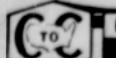
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Barlow to host meets

Sam Barlow High School in Gresham will host a series of all-open track meets the next three Monday nights and all it costs to enter is a quarter.

Barlow track coach Don Aaberg announced this week that the meets will be open to "anyone and everyone with the urge to compete, as long as they've got 25 cents."

The meet will be open to competitors in five age groups: 8-and-under, 9-11, 12-14, High school and 18-and-over.

Ribbons will be awarded for the first three places in each event. The entry fee is only to cover the cost of the ribbons.

"It's a low key type of competition," Aaberg said. "We're looking for kids to have fun in track and field."

The meets will start at 6 p.m.

No Estacada team fielded

ESTACADA—For the first time in its history Estacada High School will not field a summer baseball team.

Coach Larry Grey cited lack of interest as the main reason for his decision to forego the year.

Blue Marlins tie for 2nd in Tigard Sextathalon

Two Sandy swimmers took firsts in their age groups to lead the Sandy Blue Marlins to a second place finish in the Tigard Sextathalon in Tigard over the weekend.

Erica Neuenfeldt topped the field in the girls' 13-14 age group with a combined time of 8:59.3 for her six events.

Dave Falgout took first in the boys' 15-and-over category with a time of 9:01.1 in the same events.

Swimmers' times for six events were added together for the meet results. Falgout and Neuenfeldt competed in the 100- and 200-yard freestyle, 100 breaststroke, 100 butterfly, 200 individual medley and 100 backstroke.

Blue Marlin coach Gary Hilde was more than satisfied with the team's performance against some of

the stronger swim teams of the state.

"This wasn't the most important meet of the summer but we beat some pretty good teams," he said.

Tualatin Hills took first in the meet. Host Tigard tied with the Blue Marlins for second.

Eight other Sandy swimmers placed in the meet:

Roth sets record

Gayle Roth, from Sandy Upper Grade School took first place in the mile walk Saturday at the state AAU Junior Olympic track meet in Portland Saturday and set a new state record in the process.

Roth, an eighth grader, set a new record of 9:19.5 in the

Troy Hilstad took fourth in the boys' 8-and-under; Doug Crane finished fifth in boys' 9-10-year olds; Mat Roth took sixth and Steve Grable 10th in the boys' 11-12.

Mat Falgout finished ninth in the boys' 13-14; Hank Hazelett took third in the boys' 15-and-over; and Bonita Connelley and Jean Crane took 10th and 12th, respectively, in the girls' 13-14.

event held at Madison High.

Roth also qualified for the 220 in the meet but did not make the finals in that event.

Also in the meet, seventh grader Donna Nelson placed fifth in the 880.

On the boys' side, Ray Vincent took seventh in the shot put with a heave of 42½.