

The Sandy Post Sports and Recreation

10 qualify for state

Young Pioneer team makes strong showing at district

by MARK FLOYD

It was more or less a building year for the Sandy High track team and Pioneer coach Randy Hutchinson was rather pleased with his team's performance at the Timber Valley League district meet.

Sandy was third in the girls competition and fourth in the boys. "We competed really well," he said. "We had no one in the sprints or hurdles and the girls were just out of second place. The kids just pulled together. And our boys competed extremely well. They were fourth and not far out of third with a really young team."

The Pioneers qualified seven individuals for the state meet as well as a relay team.

Stephanie Hagstrom will throw the javelin, Paige Daugherty will toss the shot and javelin, Gayle Roth will run the 800 meters and the 300 intermediate hurdles, Donna Nelson will run the 3,000 meters, Sandra Peterson, Sharon Jensen, Darby Binder and Roth will run the mile relay, Scott Skipper will toss the javelin, Locke Christman will compete in the discus and Sam Romey will run the 1,500 meters.

The sore-armed Skipper came from behind to win the javelin with a new district record of 193.5. He also placed fourth in the shot put with a 47.2 toss.

Christman was second in the discus, 133-11, just ahead of teammate Mike Marleau who missed a trip to state. Marleau was third at 132-6.

Romey, who may be as good as any freshman distance runner in Sandy history, shattered his personal best in the 1,500 meters by kicking in to a 4:11.0, good for second place. He edged Sheldon Stewart of Sweet Home for second and the state trip in the race, where he knocked seven seconds off his previous best.

Romey was also sixth in the 800 meters with a 2:06.1 time.

Bob Nippert placed fourth in the high jump for Sandy with a personal best jump of 6-2. He also set a PR in the triple jump at 40-11, but finished

just out of the money.

Sandy's mile relay team finished fourth in 3:41.2.

Daugherty was the leading point producer for Sandy. The sophomore won the shot put, 37-0, was second in the javelin, 112-7, and third in the discus, 108-7. Hagstrom was the winner in the javelin, 141-7, and took third in the shot, 33-2, and fourth in the discus, 105-11.

Roth took second place to Canby's explosive Teresa Katterheinrich in the 800 meters. Katterheinrich turned in one of the state's better times, winning in 2:14.9, while Roth was second in 2:17.4. Both marks bettered Roth's district record set last year.

Roth was also second in the 300-intermediate hurdles with a school record time of 47.2, and fifth in the high jump at 5-0.

Shelby Dries was fourth for Sandy in the 800 with a personal best of 2:25.2.

Nelson won a trip to state by finishing second in the 3,000 meters. The Sandy sophomore staged an amazing recovery from an automobile accident three weeks ago and worked herself back into

shape in a matter of days. She didn't have enough to beat West Linn's Kathy Nichols, first in 10:45.5, but Nelson's 10:57.2 was a school record.

Sophomore Laura Stringham finished fourth for Sandy in the 1,500 meters with a respectable 4:59.7, but missed by two places a state berth.

One of the meet's big surprises was the Sandy mile relay team. Pegged no better than third, the Pioneer quartet came through in the clutch to clip nine seconds off its previous best and win in a time of 4:06.1 (4:05.0 converted to metric).

"That had to be the highlight of the meet for me," Hutchinson said. "The whole team turned in the best team effort we've ever had and that typified it. The biggest battle the kids had was with themselves, and they came through."

Peterson, Jensen, Binder and Roth mowed down teams from Oregon City and West Linn to win the title and earn a trip to state. Their next goal will be to make the state finals.

The state meet will be held this Friday and Saturday at Eugene's Hayward Field.



(clockwise from top) Sandy freshman Sam Romey kicks past a struggling Sheldon Stewart of Sweet Home to finish second in the 1,500 meters. His time was a freshman record of 4:11.0. Paige Daugherty won the shot put for Sandy with a best throw of 37-0. Sandy dominated the throwing events, as Stephanie Hagstrom claimed a win in the javelin with a throw of 141-7. Pioneer junior Bob Nippert had a good meet, despite missing here at 6-3 in the high jump. Nippert cleared 6-2 for a personal best and fifth place. He also had a PR in the triple jump at 40-11.

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West Linn, Oregon City split TVL titles

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Oregon City walked away with the boys title at the Timber Valley League district track meet, but West Linn pulled a minor upset by claiming the girls crown.

Host Sandy was third in the girls and fourth in the boys.

Oregon City's boys were heavily favored and lived up to their advance billing. They rolled up 166 points to outdistance second place West Linn, 112. Estacada was third, 74; Sandy fourth, 46; Silverton fifth, 39; Canby sixth, 38; Sweet Home seventh, 29; and Molalla eighth, 22.

West Linn was the league's dual meet champion for girls, but the Lions were slight underdogs at district because of Oregon City's depth. West Linn came through in the clutch, however, and Oregon City saw valuable points slip away in key events.

West Linn was first with 102;

Oregon City second, 95; Sandy third, 89; Silverton fourth, 56; Estacada and Sweet Home tied for fifth, 38; Molalla seventh, 33; and Canby eighth, 14.

Oregon City's boys were led by Dan Doherty, who won the long jump, triple jump and placed third in the high jump. Bret Wilson, a winner in the 100 and 200 meters, and a host of other performers.

Rich Gaiser set a meet record in the discus with a 160-0 throw; Tom Beard did likewise in the pole vault with a 12-9 effort; Doherty's 21-2½ long jump and 44-0½ triple jump were meet records; Scott Fish had a meet record in the high hurdles with a blazing 14.7 time; and Scott Isaac won the 3,000 meters handily in 9:01.2.

Oregon City also won both relays. West Linn was never in the title chase, but claimed the runnerup position with relative ease. Terry Schmeiser set a new mark in the

shot with a 50-4 put and the Lions got a win from Jeff Tressler in the 400 with a 50.3 time, also a new meet record.

Molalla finished in dead last, but the Indians' Carl Ebeling set a meet record in the high jump, winning at 6-6.

Sandy's Scott Skipper easily eclipsed the TVL javelin mark, winning with a 193-5 toss.

A new record also went to Mark Buswell of Estacada, winner of the 1,500 meters in 4:04.9.

West Linn used its sprinting and jumping power to ease past Oregon City in the girls competition.

The Lions' Kim Klein won the 100 meters, 12.8 and placed fourth in the 200 and 400. Donna Gentler won the long jump with a wind-aided 18-1½, a meet record, and Sue Schaubauer took the high jump at 5-2.

West Linn also got a win from Kathy Nichols in the 3,000 with a

time of 10:45.5.

Runnerup Oregon City got a double win from Denise Wheatley in the hurdles and both were new meet records. She had a 46.1 in the 300-intermediates and a 15.0 in the highs. Oregon City also won the short relay and Tricia Sliger claimed the 1,500 in 4:51.8, a new record.

Sandy was third, thanks to a strong performance in the throwing events and distances. Paige Daugherty and Stephanie Hagstrom combined for 44 points in the throwing events. Daugherty won the shot, 37-0, and was second in the javelin, 112-7 and third in the discus, 108-7. Hagstrom won the javelin, 141-7, and was third in the shot, 33-2, and fourth in the discus, 105-11.

Sandy also won the mile relay as Sandra Peterson, Sharon Jensen, Darby Binder and Gayle Roth combined for a 4:06.1 mark for a new meet record. The Pioneers clipped some nine seconds off their previous

best in the upset win.

Other district records went to Canby's Teresa Katterheinrich in the 800, 2:14.9; Sliger in the 1,500, 4:51.8; and Oregon City's short relay team, 50.6.

Timber Valley League District Boys Results

Team Scores: Oregon City 166, West Linn 112, Estacada 74, Sandy 46, Silverton 39, Canby 38, Sweet Home 29, Molalla 22

Discus - Gaiser (OC) 160-0; Triple Jump - Doherty (OC) 44-0½; 440-Yard Relay - Oregon City 43.8; 1500 Meters - Buswell (E) 4:04.9; Long Jump - Doherty (OC) 21-2½; Pole Vault - Beard (OC) 12-9; Shot Put - Schmeiser (WL) 50-4; Javelin - Skipper (San) 193-5; 100 Meters - Wilson (OC) 11.1; 400 Meters - Tressler (WL) 50.3; 800 Meters - Troeh (E) 1:59.8; 200 Meters - Wilson (OC) 22.6; 3000 Meters - Isaac (OC) 9:01.2; 110-Hurdles - Fish

(OC) 14.7; High Jump - Ebeling (Mol) 6-6; 300-Hurdles - O'Shea (Can) 40.3; Mile Relay - Oregon City 3:26.4.

Girls Results

Team Scores: West Linn 102, Oregon City 95, Sandy 89, Silverton 56, Estacada and Sweet Home (tie) 38, Molalla 33, Canby 14.

Shot Put - Daugherty (San) 37-0; Javelin - Hagstrom (San) 141-7; 440-Yard Relay - Oregon City 50.6; 1500 Meters - Sliger (OC) 4:51.8; High Jump - Schaubauer (WL) 5-2; Discus - Yoder (OC) 111-10; Long Jump - Gentzler (WL) 18-1½; 100 Meters - Klein (WL) 12.8; 400 Meters - Barthel (SH) 1:00.9; 800 Meters - Katterheinrich (Can) 2:14.9; 300-Hurdles - Wheatley (OC) 46.1; 100-Hurdles - Wheatley (OC) 15.0; 200 Meters - Smoot (Sil) 26.5; 3000 Meters - Nichols (WL) 10:45.5; Mile Relay - Sandy 4:06.1.