

# *Jr. Track League Expanded*

**RANDOLPH TWP.** — A "bigger and better" Lakeland Junior Track and Field League began its season, Sunday, with three dual meets and one triangular meet.

"I guess we must have gotten caught up in the sports explosion," quipped league officer Len Pietrovitz, head coach of the Randolph entry. "We had to go to two divisions this year with an increase to ten teams. Abd Boonton Township and Morris Township have expressed interest in joining us next year."

The A division this year is made up of the larger teams and those who are longer established and includes Bernardsville, Denville, Hopatcong, Mountain Lakes and Randolph.

The B division members for 1977 are Mendham, Mount Olive, Rockaway Township, Harding Township and White Meadow Lake.

The regular season which began this past weekend will conclude on Sunday, May 15. On the following Friday night, May 20, a pentathlon for 13-14 year-old boys and girls (100 yard dash, long jump, 220 yard dash, shot put and one mile run) will be held at Randolph. On Sunday, May 22, the league relays will be conducted at Bernardsville.

The league championship meet is slated for Ra-

dolph on June 5, and a novice meet (for any youngsters who fail to qualify for the championship meet) will be held on May 29.

Competition is held among six separate age groupings (9-10 year-old boys, 9-10 girls, 11-12 boys, 11-12 girls, 13-14 boys, 13-14 girls) and the winning team is decided on a basis of cumulative scoring.

In Sunday's dual meet competition, Bernardsville defeated Hopatcong 224-150, Mount Olive edged White Meadow Lake, 190-170, and Randolph clobbered Mountain Lakes, 248-126. In the triangular meet, Denville amassed 279 points to 94 for Harding Township and 85 for Rockaway Township.

Gail Roberts of Bernardsville broke the 13-14 year old girls league 8-pound shot put record of 28 feet, four inches with a toss of 30 feet, 10 inches. Bob Smith of the Hopatcong 13-14 boys squad won the 100, the long jump and the mile and was a member of the winning 880 yard relay quartet.

Denville had a half-dozen triple winners. The list included Bill Peer and Pete Merle in 13-14 boys; Jean Taormina in 13-14 girls; and in 11-12 competition, Kevin Lyons, Scott Smith and Ann Keenan.

Tracy Nevola of Mount Olive (9-10 girls) won the mile, the shot put, the long jump and was a part of the winning 880 relay group. Neil Korn of White Meadow (13-14 boys) took the long jump, the 100, the 440 and was on the 440 yard relay.

In the Randolph-Mountain Lakes meet, Nat Aiken of Randolph (13-14) and Jamie Conlan (11-12) of Mountain Lakes established new group records for the league for the 220 yard dash of 25.7 and 27.7 seconds, respectively. Aiken, who was also second in the 100, won the long jump and helped win the 880 relay. Conlan won the 75, the shot put and on was on the winning medley relay team.

Other triple winners for Randolph were Jim Campisi (13-14 boys), Lisa Golan and Cathy Paige (13-14 girls), Dean Malecki (9-10 boys) and Dawn Paton and Tressy Burney (9-10 girls). Jinny Heissenbittel of Mountain Lakes (11-12 girls) won the 75, the 220, the shot put and was on the winning medley relay quartet.

# Randolph Captures Lakeland Jr. Crown

RANDOLPH TWP. — Randolph grabbed top honors Sunday as the Lakeland Junior Track and Field League held its championship meet at Randolph High School.

Randolph amassed 362 points to brush aside Denville which compiled 293 points. Defending champion Bernards was third with 241.

Other teams and their scores were: Hopatcong 201, Mountain Lakes 107, Mendham 107, White Meadow Lake 30½, Harding Township 30, Rockaway Township 26, and Mount Olive 24½.

There were 46 scoring events in the day-long competition in which the area's high school track coaches served as meet officials. The meet was divided into six categories; boys 13-14, girls 13-14, boys 11-12, girls 11-12, boys 9-10, girls 9-10 with points scored in any event being added to a team's total. Place points were awarded on a 10-8-6-4-2-1 point basis.

Randolph's top point-getter was 14-year old Nat Aiken who set league records of 10.9 and 24.5, respectively, in the 100 and 220, and also won the long jump with a leap

of 18 feet, 6½ inches. Aiken teamed with Dan Woods, Frank Ferrara and Jim Campisi to help Randolph set a league record of 1:42.8 in the 880 relay.

Several other league records were set. In 13-14 boys, Bob Smith of Hopatcong ran the mile in 5:01.4 and Randy Fox of Denville shot put 43 feet, 1¼ inches.

Jean Taormina of Denville set a league record of 11.9 in the 100 for 13-14 girls. She also won the 220 in 28.2, was second in the long jump and was part of Denville's winning 440 relay team. Rena Antanelis of Randolph set a league mark in the shot put of 30 feet, 8¾ inches.

Records set in 11-12 boys competition were by Jamie Conlon of Mountain Lakes (27.1 in the 220), Carl Smith of Denville (63.7 in the 440), Daryl Aiken of Randolph (15 feet, 10¼ inches in the long jump) and the Mendham medley relay quartet in 2:02:8.

Jill LaChance of Hopatcong and Barbara Waldron of Bernards were the 11-12 girls record setters. LaChance ran the 440 in 66.3 and Waldron posted a 5:46.9 mile.

Dean Malecki of Randolph, who won the 50 and the 220, and Randy Valentine of Randolph, who ran a 5:49.8 mile, were the stars of the boys 9-10 competition. In the girls 9-10 division, Tanya Smolin of Randolph set a league record with a long jump of 12 feet, 7¼ inches.

## Randolph gathers gold

PISCATAWAY — The Randolph midget track team came home with five gold medals last weekend in competition at the A.A.U. Junior Olympics held at Rutgers Stadium.

Mat Aiken and Tanya Smolin were both double gold winners. Aiken won the 100 in 11.1 and the long jump with a leap of 19-6. Smolin was also a winner in the 100 in 14.0 and in the standing long jump with a leap of 6-7. Rene Antanelis was a shot put gold winner with a toss of 35-10. Aiken and Antanelis were in the 12-13-year-old group, with Smolin competing in the nine-and-under group.

Taking home silver medals were juniors Lisa Golan in the long jump (15-1½) and Helene Vuday in the high jump (4-7). Midget I. Gobins was a long jump silver medalist (13-1), while Cavanaugh took silver in the bantam long jump (11-1).

The junior, midget and bantam 440 relay teams captured bronze medals. Juniors Darryl Aiken, Mat Aiken, Jim Campisi and Dan Woods had a 51.6 clocking. Wanda Golan, Janet Gorman, Schiksniis and Schwarz had a 60.2 in the midget ranks, while Cavanaugh, Dicara, Kerrigan and Smolin ran a 65.6 in the bantam race.