

Columbia's Swatland best in x-c

By GRANT EDWARDS

After several years of knocking on the door, Memorial of West New York finally broke through to win its first state boys' cross-country championship yesterday at Holmdel State Park.

Memorial joined such familiar names as Morris Catholic, Bernards, St. Augustine's and Christian Brothers in the winner's circle, but there also were two other first-time champions, Haddonfield in Group 2 and Ramsey in Group 3.

Individually, Charles Logan of Bernards recorded the fastest performance in the seven races as he opened the day by leading Bernards to its 11th state title in 15:47.7. This took 15 seconds off the mark set by John McCarthy of Holmdel in the Monmouth County meet two weeks ago.

Dave Swatland of Columbia came very close to breaking that record as he won the Group 4 race in 15:48.1. The other individual winners were Mike Mantini of Gateway in Group 2 at 15:54.2, Keith Ratzman of Clark in Group 3 at 16:09.2, Paul Thomas of Paramus Catholic in Parochial B at 16:15.5 and John Heaton of St. Peter's (N.B.) in Parochial C at 16:37.1.

The Group 4 race was the closest of the day, the first five boys hitting the line within eight seconds. Swatland won by 35 yards over Joe Weber of Kearny, with Al Solano leading Memorial in third place, John Eberle of Bergenfield in fourth and



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Spectators cheer their favorites across the finish line at yesterday's cross-country championships at Holmdel State Park

Steve Thompson of Brick in fifth.

Memorial also had Lenny Hernandez eighth and its three other runners, Paul Seire, Lazzaro Robles and Jorge Caycedo, across the line under 16 minutes to easily defeat Brick, 74-119.

Christian Brothers got a solid team

effort, too, to beat Paramus Catholic for the Parochial A crown, 54-80. Pete Casagrande was sixth in 16:25 and five other runners finished between 16:33 and 16:48, all in the first 20.

Taking its fifth straight Parochial B title, Morris Catholic had Gernert and Ken Walsh 1-2, then took four of the next 10 places to defeat Bayley-Ellard, 27-74. The state's top-ranked team had trained heavily on Friday, knowing it would no trouble in this race and looking ahead to next Saturday's all-group event.

Bernards also had little trouble as it defeated Audubon, 59-111. After Logan came Drew Taylor in 10th place, Chris Wilde in 13th, freshman John Grozier in 17th and John Flood in 21st. Logan won by 200 yards from two-time champion Bill Agee of Kinnelon.

In Group 2, Jim Smith lost a hot individual dual to Mantini, finishing 15 yards back, but had the satisfaction of leading his school to the team title, 67-136, over Dover. Chris Meredith was seventh for Haddonfield and Jim Sery 16th.

Group 3 produced the individual upset of the day as Ratzman won by 30 yards over Jim Smart of West Essex. Favorites Stu Bacha of Hanover Park and Ken Smalley of Parsippany Hills, who finished well ahead of Ratzman and Smart in the sectional last week, were

Hillside wins

Hillside, with Frank Alfano scoring a third-period touchdown, retained its unbeaten record with a 6-0 victory over Kenilworth yesterday in Hillside.

Hillside, which registered its fourth shutout, has an 8-0 record. The school's last undefeated season came in 1943 when Hillside finished with nine triumphs.

Alfano scored on a rollout, cutting back into the center of the field en route to a 27-yard touchdown run. Kenilworth (3-5) reached the Hillside 34 with four minutes left, but linebacker Joe Driscoll caught Joe Maney for a four-yard loss, two passes failed and Dwayne Franklin made an interception on fourth down.

Maney rushed for 148 yards on 34 carries.

Hillside	0	0	0	6-0
Kenilworth	0	0	0	0-0
N-Alfano 27 run (kick failed)				

A busy season

Dana Shelton of Hightstown had a busy time during the 1975 football season. He became one of the few in state history to score more than 300 points in a single season, finishing with 214.

back in 10th and 17th places. Ramsey was led to its victory by John Schnell and Ed O'Neill, who placed 12th and 13th.

GROUP 4

Team scores: Memorial (W.N.Y.) 74, Brick 119, Toms River South 126, Morristown 134, Toms River North 177, Ridge-wood 178, Passaic Tech 222, Millville 241, Highland 298, Columbia 278, Franklin Township 283, Westfield 305, Hamilton East 350, Watchung Hills 361, Paterson Kennedy 360, Cranford 375, Nutley 384, Neptune 390, Dickinson 398, East Brunswick 400.

Individual: 1. Dave Swatland, Columbia, 15:48.1; 2. Joe Weber, Kearny, 15:51.3; 3. Al Solano, Memorial, 15:56.4; 4. John Eberle, Bergenfield, 15:55.5; 5. Steve Thompson, Brick, 15:56.6; 6. Al Hadden, Millville, 16:07.7; 7. Ted Connelly, Morristown, 16:10.8; 8. Lon Hernandez, Memorial, 16:16.9; 9. Luis Caldera, Passaic, 16:18.10; 10. Bob Wagner, Highland, 16:19.11; 11. Scott VanWay, Cranford, 16:21.12; 11. Mike Benson, Toms River South, 16:27.13; 13. Dick Smith, Brick, 16:29.14; 14. Pat Busby, Morristown, 16:30.15; 15. Mike Gaffeo, Nutley, 16:31.16; 16. Jerry Andrews, Highland, 16:32.17; 17. Mark Strick, Rancocas Valley, 16:34.18; 18. Dave Salerno, Morristown, 16:36.19; 19. Bob Santalino, Toms River South, 16:37.20; 20. Andre Johnson, Neptune, 16:39.

GROUP 3

Team scores: Ramsey 42, Eastern 130, Manalapan 150, West Essex 172, Clark 173, Morris Hills 182, Long Branch 188, North Hunterdon 193, Edgewater 231, Emerson (I.C.) 253, Morristown 266, Passaic Valley 267, Northern Highlands 322, North Brunswick 325, Wilbur J. Highwood 366, Cranston 383, Dumont 391, Collingswood 455.

Individual: 1. Keith Ratzman, Clark, 16:09.2; 2. Jim Smart, West Essex, 16:14.3; 3. Tim Anderson, Manalapan, 16:18.4; 4. Kevin Lundy, Long Branch, 16:25.5; 5. Bill Wells, Howell, 16:28.6; 6. Mike Azzio, North Hunterdon, 16:30.7; 7. Tim DeLaney, Moorestown, 16:38.8; 8. John Nelson, Del. Tappan, 16:42.9; 9. Kevin Carlucci, Monmouth, 16:43.10; 10. Stu Bacha, Hanover Park, 16:44.11; 11. Jorge Delavega, Emerson (I.C.), 16:45.12; 12. John Sheel, Ramsey, 16:46.13; 13. Ed O'Neill, Ramsey, 16:47.14; 14. Bob Farrell, Sterling, 16:48.15; 15. Lance Strickland, Ramsey, 16:53.16; 16. Alan Steer, Rocky Hill, 16:54.17; 17. Ken Smalley, Parsippany, 16:55.18; 18. Tom Entz, Morris Hills, 16:57.19; 20. Rafael Marto, Emerson (I.C.), 17:01.20; 21. John Ennis, North Hunterdon, 17:05.

GROUP 2

Team scores: Haddonfield 47, Dover 136, Ridge 174, Williamstown 184, North 198, Haddonfield 211, Haddon 213, Whippany Park 235, Voorhees and Springfield 242, Jefferson Township 253, Princeton 265, North Plainfield 281, Gateway 288, Haddon Township 337, Tenafly 350, Garfield 402, Ocean 458, Sussex Tech 442, Saddle Brook 444.

Individual: 1. Mike Mantini, Gateway, 15:54.2; 2. Jim Smith, Haddonfield, 15:54.2; 3. John McCarthy, Holmdel, 16:08.4; 4. Dave Thomson, Dover, 16:24.5; 5. Chris Smith, Dover, 16:26.6; 6. Ken Nelson, Canby, 16:27.7; 7. Chris Meredith, Haddonfield, 16:43.8; 8. Jeff Malanias, Dover, 16:47.9; 9. John Kellogg, Princeton, 16:49.10; 10. Bob Bacha, Hanover Park, 16:53.11; 11. Tony Frigolanti, 16:57.12; 12. Drew Hadley, Williamstown, 17:02.13; 13. Mike Milner, Hillside, 17:03.14; 14. John Durkin, Whippany Park, 17:06.15; 16. Bob Aronson, Whippany Park, 17:10.16; 17. Jim Sery, Haddonfield, 17:12.17; 18. Bill Burper, Holmdel, 17:14.18; 19. Joe Robinson, Madison, 17:16.19; 20. Mike Heil, Sussex Tech, 17:27.20; 21. John Marino, Williamstown, 17:37.

GROUP 1

Team scores: Bernards 99, Audubon 111, Bogota 137, Bound Brook 142, Kinnelon 136, Mahwah 181, Mendham 218, Mountain Lakes 247, Roselle Park 288, Manchester 302, Pitman 304, Florence 308, Emerson-Bronx 314, Hammonton 326, Sportswood 329, Glen Ridge 343, Ridgefield 359, Kearsburg 403, Manville 419.

Individual: 1. Charles Logan, Bernards, 15:47.7; 2. Bill Agee, Kinnelon, 16:19.3; 3. Ian Leavessy, Mahwah, 16:31.4; 4. Bob Gruber, Mendham, 16:32.5; 5. Bob Gibson, Mountain Lakes, 16:43.6; 6. Al Ross, Barry, Kinnelon, 16:50.7; 7. Ed Wickersham, Audubon, 17:00.8; 8. Joe Gibson, Mountain Lakes, 17:04.9; 9. Dan Kopf, Bound Brook, 17:05.10; 10. Drew Taylor, Bernards, 17:18.11; 11. Mike Hennesey, Bogota, 17:17.12; 12. Vic Fucci, Glen Ridge, 17:13.13; 13. Chris Ridge, Roselle Park, 17:14.14; 14. Paul Burns, Bogota, 17:15.15; 15. Al Frank, Becton, 17:20.16; 16. Tony Janoski, Manville, 17:22.17; 17. John Grozier, Bernards, 17:24.18; 18. Mike Gillespie, Glassboro, 17:25.19; 19. Carl Berg, Mahwah, 17:30.20; 20. Larry Neuman, Audubon, 17:31.

PAROCHIAL A

Team scores: Christian Brothers 54, Paramus Catholic 80, Essex Catholic 87, Seton Hall 92, Bergen Catholic 122, St. Joseph's (Mechuan) 144, John 165, St. Peter's Catholic 193, Hudson Catholic 255, Camden Catholic 273, Roselle Catholic 318, Holy Cross 251, Paul (Haddon Township) 324, DePaul 326.

Individual: 1. Paul Thomas, Paramus Catholic, 16:01.2; 2. Steve Tremblay, Essex Catholic, 16:03.3; 3. Gerry Clark, Paramus Catholic, 16:08.4; 4. John Babaro, St. Joseph's (Mechuan), 16:10.5; 5. Dennis Walsh, Seton Hall, 16:24.6; 6. Pete Casagrande, Christian Brothers, 16:25.7; 7. Quentin Franklin, Bergen Catholic, 16:26.8; 8. Sean O'Brien, Christian Brothers, 16:31.9; 9. Charles Quakenbush, Red Bank Catholic, 16:34.10; 10. Rick Green, Seton Hall, 16:35.11; 12. Jack Laverne, Christian Brothers, 16:41.12; 13. Don Sullivan, Essex Catholic, 16:42.13; 14. Bob Gibson, Don Bosco, 16:42.14; 15. Sean Smith, Holy Spirit, 16:43.15; 16. John Fodor, Christian Brothers, 16:43.16; 17. Steve Apollonios, Christian Brothers, 16:44.17; 18. Free Singer, St. Joseph's (Mechuan), 16:47.18; 19. Greg Karwick, Christian Brothers, 16:48.19; 20. Geoff Root, Seton Hall, 16:51.20; 21. Sean Gormey, Bergen Catholic, 16:52.

PAROCHIAL B

Team scores: Morris Catholic 27, Bayley-Ellard 74, St. John Vianney 97, Queen of Peace 146, Paul VI (Clifton) 149, St. Thomas Aquinas 161, Paterson Catholic 197, Mater Dei 225, St. Rose 226, Eastern Christian 264, Gloucester Catholic 271, Babob Evlatov 293, Our Lady of Valley 305, Immaculate 308.

Individual: 1. John Gernert, Morris Catholic, 16:55.2; 2. Ken Walsh, Morris Catholic, 16:22.3; 3. Greg Bloom, Queen of Peace, 16:33.4; 4. Ray McCarthy, St. John Vianney, 16:41.5; 5. Greg Nott, Morris Catholic, 16:42.6; 6. John Leary, Bayley-Ellard, 16:42.7; 8. Pete Guffrey, Paterson Catholic, 16:43.8; 9. Tim Harris, Morris Catholic, 16:48.9; 10. Jack Boyle, St. John Vianney, 16:54.10; 11. Omar Tamimi, Paterson Catholic, 17:03.11; 12. Bob Bongo, Morris Catholic, 17:06.12; 13. Frank Belisko, Morris Catholic, 17:08.13; 14. Mark Roselli, Bayley-Ellard, 17:12.14; 15. Greg Schreier, St. Thomas Aquinas, 17:14.15; 16. Tom Valerio, Bayley-Ellard, 17:15.16; 17. Bob Dillion, St. Thomas Aquinas, 17:21.17; 18. John Moley, St. Rose, 17:22.18; 19. Tom Schwarz, St. John Vianney, 17:24.19; 20. Frank Nelson, Bayley-Ellard, 17:33.20; 21. Tim Barker, St. John Vianney, 17:34.

PAROCHIAL C

Team scores: St. Augustine's 29, Wildwood Catholic 41, Montclair Immaculate 97, Dratory 105, Sacred Heart 142, St. Benedict's 165, St. Peter's (N.B.) 167, St. Mary's (Ruth) 203.

Individual: 1. John Heaton, St. Peter's, 16:37.1; 2. Tim Phipps, St. Augustine's, 16:59.3; 3. Jorge Piro, St. Peter's, 17:12.4; 4. Mike Simonini, Wildwood Catholic, 17:31.5; 5. Greg Kazmierczak, St. Augustine's, 17:25.6; 6. John Shea, St. Augustine's, 17:36.7; 7. Jim Mackagan, Wildwood Catholic, 17:39.8; 8. Steve Cimino, St. Augustine's, 17:41.9; 9. Bob DeReyna, Dratory, 17:46.10; 10. Gerry Smith, Wildwood Catholic, 17:46.11; 11. Carme Iamano, Wildwood Catholic, 17:48.12; 12. Jim Danzabari, St. Augustine's, 18:02.13; 13. Paul Scanlon, Dratory, 18:03.14; 14. Pete Scarra, Wildwood Catholic, 18:19.15; 16. Tony Carozza, St. Augustine's, 18:19.16; 17. Tom Nelson, Montclair Immaculate, 18:15.17; 18. George Murray, Montclair Immaculate, 18:18.18; 19. Mike Gaffeo, Wildwood Catholic, 18:21.19; 20. Mark Nelson, Montclair Immaculate, 18:22.20; 21. Henry Harris, Sacred Heart, 18:24.



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With the pack far behind, Charles Logan of Bernards sprints to finish line to win Group 1 cross-country title



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John Machala of Bound Brook leans against shopping cart while keeping score as he waits for team at finish line

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