

CBA, WESTFIELD WIN

Seton Hall 2d in Parochial A

By GRANT EDWARDS

Four teams which make a habit of winning cross-country titles and two which had never before won a state meet took the honors at the NJSIAA boys' group championships yesterday at Holmdel Park.

The old hands were Westfield, with its third Group 4 victory in the last four years; Bernards, with its 11th title (in Groups 1 and 2) in 15 years; in Group 1; Christian Brothers, with a second straight Parochial A crown, and St. Augustine's of Richland, which won its first Parochial B crown after a three-year reign in the defunct Parochial C classification.

The newcomers were Manalapan, a narrow 105-112 winner over Long Branch in Group 3, and Sparta, which gave Sussex County its first state cross country title by beating defending champion Haddonfield, 120-136, in Group 2.

Jim Smith of Haddonfield turned in the fastest time in the six races, a course record of 16:05.5 in the Group 2 race. Kevin Lundy of Long Branch wasn't far behind as he took the Group 3 event in 16:07. But Jerry Andrews of Highland saw his Group 4 hopes dashed by injury for the second year in a row, dropping out midway in the race with a hamstring pull.

Cliff Sheehan of Westfield, a junior, took the Group 4 event in 16:16.4. Another junior, Greg Noll of Morris Catholic, won the Parochial A title in 16:18.3. The other champions were Ian Leavesley of Mahwah in Group 1 at 16:29.2 and John Leary of Bayley-Ellard in Parochial B at 16:43.

Christian Brothers ran another of the patented team races it has turned in all season to take the Parochial A title, 40-101, from Seton Hall. Marc Librizzi was second, 20 yards behind Noll, in 16:22. Juniors John McCabe and Ed Hillman were fourth and ninth in 16:47 and 17:01. The other four runners bunched between 12th and 16th places.

Manalapan survived a 1-4 finish by Kevin Lundy and sophomore Greg Otey of Long Branch to take the Group 3 title.



Photo by Cary Hershey
Ian Leavesley of Mahwah is shown winning the Group 1 boys' race during the state cross-country meet yesterday at Holmdel.

105-112, from its shore rival. Manalapan's top finisher was sophomore Tom Fischer in sixth at 16:32, followed by teammates Mark Hastings in 15th and Greg Rohrer 20th. Lundy had a 100-yard lead on Jeff Nelson of Old Tappan at the finish.

Westfield "lucked out" by the admission of its veteran coach, Walt Clarkson, to beat defending titlist Memorial of West New York, 125-132, in Group 4. Sheehan, who beat Mike Benson of Toms River South, by 40 yards, was Westfield's only runner in the first 20 as teammate John Tegen, threw a shoe and failed to finish. But the other Westfield runners bunched in the 20s and 30s with freshman Greg Kasko the fifth man home.

Bob Back led Sparta's victory in third place at 16:55 behind Smith and Steve Grube of Vernon. Greg Fichtl and Bill Hunter were 18th and 19th for Sparta to help overcome the early edge given Haddonfield by Smith and Steve Maslowski, who placed fifth.

The young Bernards team had no trouble taking the Group 1 race, 56-117, from Mountain Lakes. Sophomore John Grozier led the way in second place, 125 yards behind Leavesley. Senior John Flood was seventh, and sophomores Roy Farrell and Tim Peters, 14th and 15th, for Bernards.

Tim Pfaff led St. Augustine's victory with a second-place finish, 125 yards behind Leary. The South Jersey team also had Tony Casazza in ninth place with its other three scorers between 17th and 20th. One unique feature of this team is that Casazza and his brother Jim, who placed 20th, are two members of a triplet set.

PAROCHIAL A

TEAMS SCORES: 1 Christian Brothers 4, Seton Hall 81, 3-Queen of Peace 12, 4 St. Joseph's (Montvale) 14, 5 St. Rose 18, 6 Bergen Catholic 19, 7 Morris Catholic 21, 8 St. Joseph's (Metuchen) 21R, 9 Essex Catholic 26, 10 St. John Bosco Prep 26, 11 Paramus Catholic 28, 12 Sacred Heart Catholic 28, 13 Paul VI (Clifton) 29, 14 St. John Vianney 27, 15 Hudson Catholic 49, 16 St. Paul 48, 17 Holy Spirit 48, 18 Paul VI (Haddonfield) 47, 19 Rosette Catholic 48, 20 Camden Catholic 47, 21 Immaculate 47, 22 St. Thomas Aquinas 47, 23 St. Joseph's (Toms River) 47, 24 Marist 705.

INDIVIDUAL: 1 Greg Noll, Morris Catholic, 16:18.3, 2 Marc Librizzi, Christian Brothers, 16:22, 3 Steve Gormley, Bergen Catholic, 16:28, 4 John McCabe, Christian Brothers, 16:47, 5 Pete Singer, St. Joseph's (Metuchen), 16:49, 6 Pat Fogarty, Queen of Peace, 16:57, 7 Paul Chiodini, Seton Hall, 16:58, 8 Larry Moloney, Bergen Catholic, 16:59, 9 Ed Hillman, Christian Brothers, 17:01, 10 Rick Green, Seton Hall, 17:05, 11 Mike Warko, St. Joseph's (Metuchen), 17:12, 12 Kevin Brennan, Christian Brothers, 17:12, 13 Greg Karpack, Christian Brothers, 17:12, 14 Steve Kostelny, Christian Brothers, 17:13, 15 John Moley, St. Rose, 17:15, 16 Tim Sheehan, Christian Brothers, 17:15, 17 Doug Christman, St. Joseph's (Montvale), 17:16, 18 John Pedati, Queen of Peace, 17:17, 19 John Ard, Seton Hall, 17:18, 20 Terry Wheat, St. Rose, 17:19.

PAROCHIAL B

TEAMS SCORES: 1 St. Augustine 2, Bayley-Ellard 8, 3- Wildwood Catholic 27, 4 Bishop Eastace 28, 5 Montclair Immaculate 18, 6 Christy 16, 7 Our Lady of the Valley 14, 8 Eastern Christian 16, 9 Sacred Heart (Vineland) 20, 10 Mater Dei 25, 11 Pope John (Passaic) 30, 12 St. Mary's (Rum) 32, 13 St. Paul (Piscataway) 36.

INDIVIDUAL: 1 John Leary, Bayley-Ellard, 16:43, 2 Tim Pfaff, St. Augustine, 16:55, 3 Greg O'Brien, Our Lady of the Valley, 17:21, 4 Steve White, Bayley-Ellard, 17:31, 5 Bob DeReyna, Oratory, 17:48, 6 Gerry Smith, Wildwood Catholic, 17:55, 7 Mike O'Donnell, Bishop Eastace, 18:00, 8 Henry Harris, Sacred Heart, 18:02, 9 Tony Casazza, St. Augustine, 18:06, 10 Gerry Hermel, Wildwood Catholic, 18:11, 11 Bill Lipkus, Montclair Immaculate, 18:13, 12 Mark Razon, Bishop Eastace, 18:14, 13 David Hooper, Eastern Christian, 18:14, 14 Glenn O'Brien, Bishop Eastace, 18:16, 15 Kevin O'Donnell, Bishop Eastace, 18:17, 16 Paul Giuliano, Montclair Immaculate, 18:21, 17 John Shea, St. Augustine, 18:22, 18 Pete Gowen, Our Lady of the Valley, 18:23, 19 Bob Wirth, St. Augustine, 18:23, 20 Jim Casazza, St. Augustine, 18:42.

GROUP 1
TEAM SCORES: 1 Haddonfield 105, 2 Memorial (W.N.Y.) 132, 3 Toms River South 134, 4 Morristown 138, 5 Edison Township 200, 6 Piscataway 208, 7 Cherry Hill East 210, 8 Ridgewood 217, 9 Nutley 235, 10 Brick 247, 11 Columbia 272, 12 Sayreville 284, 13 Toms River North 286, 14 Trenton Central 301, 15 Hamilton East 310, 16 West Essex 340, 17 Passaic Valley 343, 18 Paterson Kennedy 346, 19 Dickinson 425.

INDIVIDUAL: 1 Cliff Sheehan, Westfield, 16:16.4, 2 Mike Benson, Toms River South, 16:23, 3 Bob Robinson, Piscataway, 16:25, 4 Tony Hoard, Newark, 16:26, 5 Bob Robinson, Piscataway, 16:36, 6 Dan Belford, Piscataway, 16:38, 7 Pat Busby, Morristown, 16:39, 8 Joe Buda, Toms River North, 16:41, 9 Dave Salerno, Morristown, 16:44, 10 Alexander Johnson, Neptune, 16:49, 11 Lazaro Robles, Memorial (W.N.Y.), 17:02, 12 Darren Ward, Paterson Kennedy, 17:04, 13 Bruce Malar, Cherry Hill East, 17:05, 14 Francisco Lugo, Memorial (W.N.Y.), 17:05, 15 Tom Hughes, Ridgewood, 17:11, 16 Peter Nattali, Edison Township, 17:12, 17 J.J. Clark, Columbia, 17:14, 18 Jay Fiamme, Watchung Hills, 17:14, 19 Dave Risch, Columbia, 17:15, 20 Paul DiLouie, Hamilton East, 17:21.

GROUP 2
TEAM SCORES: 1 Manalapan 105, 2 Long Branch 112, 3 Delia 135, 4 Ramsey 146, 5 Eastern 147, 6 Randolph 172, 7 Partridge Hills 205, 8 Old Tappan 211, 9 Clark 214, 10 Haddonfield 255, 11 Toms River East 288, 12 Northern Highlands 310, 13 Morristown 312, 14 Salemville 321, 15 Emerald 321, 16 Ewing 329, 17 Morris Hills 348, 18 Rancocas Valley 372, 19 Demarest 404.

INDIVIDUAL: 1 Kevin Lundy, Long Branch, 16:07, 2 Jeff Nison, Old Tappan, 16:25, 3 Brian Crowe, Haddonfield, 16:26, 4 Greg Grey, Long Branch, 16:29, 5 Bob Back, Haddonfield Park, 16:30, 6 Tom Fischer, Manalapan, 16:32, 7 Dan Decker, Oakcrest, 16:33, 8 Dan Owen, Abseggen, 16:42, 9 Jeff Koff, Highlands, 16:45, 10 George DeLVecchio, Emerson (I.C.), 16:46, 11 Bob Lwin, Bridgewater East, 16:54, 12 Ken Smiley, Parsippany Hills, 16:57, 13 Jeff Hines, Bridgewater East, 16:54, 14 Jack Marino, Ramsey, 16:57, 15 Mike Snyder, Delia, 17:02, 16 Mark Hoag, Manalapan, 17:03, 17 Mark Stappa, Eastern, 17:06, 18 Scott Kennedy, Phillipsburg, 17:07, 19 Ken Hicks, Lakewood, 17:08, 20 Greg Rohrer, Manalapan, 17:08.

GROUP 3
TEAM SCORES: 1 Sparta 120, 2 Haddonfield 136, 3 Madison Borough 151, 4 Hillside 162, 5 Haddon Township 167, 6 Holmdel 184, 7 Rumson 184, 8 Warren Hills 228, 9 Princeton 225, 10 Springfield 280, 11 Cranford 282, 12 Teaneck 304, 13 Ridge 306, 14 Jefferson Township 315, 15 Hopatcong 366, 16 Saddle Brook 369, 17 Mount Pleasant 373, 18 Mount Valley 393, 19 Plover Grove 397, 20 Kinnelon 417.

INDIVIDUAL: 1 Jim Smith, Haddonfield, 16:05.5, 2 Steve Grube, Vernon, 16:33, 3 Bob Back, Sparta, 16:55, 4 Ken Riley, North Brunswick, 17:01, 5 Steve Maslowski, Haddonfield, 17:03, 6 Bill Denver, Rumson, 17:08, 7 John Kolopp, Princeton, 17:16, 8 Jim Brown, Kinnelon, 17:17, 9 Bill Burger, Holmdel, 17:20, 10 Jim Bruce, Rumson, 17:25, 11 Bob Burger, Hopatcong, 17:31, 12 Jeff Clark, Princeton, 17:32, 13 Steve Green, Deeran, 17:33, 14 Kevin Beck, Madison Borough, 17:36, 15 Christy Norris, Haddon Borough, 17:37, 16 Greg Lutz, Haddon Township, 17:38, 17 John Calavano, Hillside, 17:40, 18 Greg Fichtl, Sparta, 17:42, 19 Bill Hunter, Sparta, 17:46, 20 Calvano, Hillside, 17:45.

GROUP 4
TEAM SCORES: 1 Bernards 14, 2 Mountain Lakes 117, 3 Lonia 140, 4 Mahwah 151, 5 Bound Brook 196, 6 Kinnelon 220, 7 Somerset 222, 8 Pinner 242, 9 Glen Ridge 248, 10 Creskill 272, 11 North Arlington 278, 12 Montgomery 279, 13 Henry Hudson 317, 14 Roselle Park 324, 15 Highland Park 341, 16 Audubon 351, 17 Paulboro 354, 18 Kingsway 386, 19 Bogota 424.

INDIVIDUAL: 1 Ian Leavesley, Mahwah, 16:29.2, 2 John Grozier, Bernards, 16:49, 3 Brian Harsham, Montgomery, 16:54, 4 Ed Burns, Bogota, 17:04, 5 Mike Porter, Hampton, 17:06, 6 Joe Gibson, Mountain Lakes, 17:07, 7 John Flood, Bernards, 17:09, 8 Peter Meier, Mountain Lakes, 17:10, 9 Jim Harle, Bordentown, 17:13, 10 Mark Mihelich, Kingsway, 17:21, 11 Peter Columbus, Kinnelon, 17:22, 12 Greg Lewis, Mountain Lakes, 17:22, 13 Dan Hill, Paulboro, 17:28, 14 Roy Farrell, Bernards, 17:29, 15 Tim Peters, Bernards, 17:40, 16 Carl Rothli, Mahwah, 17:44, 17 Don Neuber, Ridgefield, 17:45, 18 Lou Accione, Creskill, 17:46, 19 Mark Herzberg, Manville, 17:47, 20 Dan Koff, Mahwah, 17:48.