

Bernards boys, girls triumph; Carlotti wins

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It was the rematch many were waiting for, the cross-country confrontation between Michelle Rowen of Washington Township and Janet Smith of North Edison.

Rowen won and set a course record and handed Smith her first loss in a cross-country race in New Jersey to highlight the 11th annual all-groups championships yesterday in Holmdel Park.

John Carlotti won the boys' race in 15:53 and Bernards successfully defended its title, 53-90, over Christian Brothers Academy of Lincroft. Waldron was fourth in the girls' race, where Bernards finished with a 47-94 margin over defending North Hunterdon of Annandale.

Rowen defeated Smith by 150 yards in 17:40. Smith set the former record of 18:01.5 in the 1981 all-groups race.

Rowen set a fast pace and pulled away from Smith just before the mile.

"She did today what we had planned to do last week," said Rowen's summer coach, Bob Kiessling of the Garden State Track Club.

In the Group 4 race last week, Rowen ran with Smith for two miles. Then the North Edison star pulled away for a 100-yard victory.

In the boys' race, Bernards had four runners across the line before Paul

Marabito, who led Christian Brothers in 24th position. Jim Nielsen was 12th for Bernards in 16:14, Chris Blanchet 14th in 16:16 and Paul Stogryn 21st in 16:25.

Waldron received strong backing in the girls' victory from senior classmate Amy Meyer, who finished eighth in 18:55. Amy's freshman sister, Jenny, was 12th in 19:07 and Jenny Rahn was the fourth girl across for Bernards in 25th at 19:39.

Patti Mileski of Ridgewood was third in the girls' race, 40 yards behind Smith and 125 yards ahead of Waldron. The first close battle for a place came when Dawn Cody of Paul VI of Haddonfield edged Lesley Gale of St. John Vianney of Holmdel for fifth position.

The boys' event was a lot closer, Sophomore Brad Hudson of Voorhees set the early pace. Carlotti made his move at a mile.

"I didn't want him to get too far ahead," said Carlotti.

Jim Herdman of Hunterdon Central and Andy Martin of North Hunterdon took the next two places at one-second intervals. Chris Koerner of Toms River North also finished under 16 minutes in sixth place at 15:58.

Interest centered on the battles for third place. Paul VI of Haddonfield broke even, taking third in the girls' race from Ridgewood and losing to Parsippany in the boys' race.



Photos by Vic Yepello

Bernards' John Carlotti wins the All-Groups cross-country meet and then receives support from an official yesterday at Holmdel Park

BOYS

TEAMS: 1-Bernards 53. 2-Christian Brothers 90. 3-Parsippany 106. 4-Paul VI (Hadd.) 146. 5-Toms River North 166. 6-Voorhees 190. 7-Hunterdon Central 206. 8-Madison Central 208. 9-Bergen Catholic 209. 10-Montgomery 227. 11-East Brunswick 232. 12-Lawrence 270. 13-Somerville 333. 14-Haddonfield 367. 15-Dover 391. 16-Pope Pius (Pas.) 401. 17-Bishop Eustace 420.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-John Carlotti, Bernards 15:53. 2-Brad Hudson, Voorhees 15:55. 3-Jim Herdman, Hunterdon Central 15:56. 4-Andy Martin, North Hunterdon 15:57. 5-Chris Koerner, Toms River North 15:58. 6-Tony Williams, Paterson Kennedy 16:01. 7-Rich Hubbard, Hackensack 16:01. 8-Bill Loughran, Henry Hudson 16:06. 9-Terry Wheat, St. Rose 16:10. 10-Rich Rizzuto, Lakewood 16:12. 11-Rich Molisso, Parsippany 16:12. 12-Jim Nielsen, Bernards 16:14. 13-Brian Lundberg, Madison Central 16:15. 14-Chris Blanchet, Bernards 16:16. 15-Jeff Boyer, Overbrook 16:16. 16-Steve Keen, Cinnaminson 16:18. 17-Bill Stewart, Cherry Hill East 16:19. 18-Dan McCarthy, St. John Vianney 16:20. 19-Rich Herdman, Hunterdon Central 16:24. 20-John Gaudio, Bergen Catholic 16:24. 21-Paul Stogryn, Bernards 16:25. 22-Bill Wallace, Parsippany 16:25. 23-Jim Siedliski, Pascack Hills 16:26. 24-Paul Marabito, Christian Brothers 16:27. 25-Tim Mulligan, Parsippany 16:27.

GIRLS

TEAMS: 1-Bernards 47. 2-North Hunterdon 94. 3-Paul VI (Hadd.) 169. 4-Ridgewood 169. 5-Raritan 176. 6-Toms River East 190. 7-Randolph 220. 8-West Morris 227. 9-St. John Vianney 233. 10-St. Mary's (S.A.) 244. 11-Notre Dame 276. 12-Holmdel 282. 13-Point Pleasant Beach 303. 14-Haddonfield 321. 15-Springfield 334. 16-Somerville 345. 17-Mater Dei 440. 18-St. Pius (Pisc.) 548.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Michelle Rowen, Washington 17:40. 2-Janet Smith, North Edison 18:11. 3-Patti Mileski, Ridgewood 18:19. 4-Weg Waldron, Bernards 18:42. 5-Dawn Cody, Paul VI (Hadd.) 18:50. 6-Lesley Gale, St. John Vianney 18:52. 7-Tracy Bigley, North Hunterdon 18:54. 8-Amy Meyer, Bernards 18:55. 9-Bobbie McGee, Newark West Side 18:58. 10-Wendy Westphal, Highland 18:59. 11-Toni Ann Angione, Bergenfield 19:03. 12-Jenny Meyer, Bernards 19:07. 13-Noel LeFrancis, West Morris 19:12. 14-Chris Bessinger, Raritan 19:14. 15-Shirley Daniel, Paterson Kennedy 19:17. 16-Madeline Nagy, Caldwell 19:19. 17-Mary Lynne Hughes, Point Pleasant Beach 19:23. 18-Chris Farrelly, West Morris 19:25. 19-Rene Murphy, DePaul 19:26. 20-Eileen Heffernan, St. Joseph (T.R.) 19:27. 21-Stacy Bilotta, North Hunterdon 19:30. 22-Laura Fiedler, Madison Central 19:32. 23-Lisa Herman, Madison Central 19:32. 24-Virginia Zaleski, St. Mary's (S.A.) 19:35. 25-Jenny Rahn, Bernards 19:39.