

East Side jars Ridgewood for first state title

By GRANT EDWARDS

Andy Martin set a course record of 15:35.1 to lead North Hunterdon of Clinton to the state Group 3 cross-country championship yesterday in Holmdel County Park.

Martin took charge of the race at the halfway mark and went on to finish 80 yards ahead of teammate Bill Babcock. The former course record of 15:38 was set a year ago by Brad Hudson of North Hunterdon in the Meet of Champions.

North Hunterdon had no trouble winning the Group 3 team championship with a 27-105 margin over Eastern of Gibbsboro. Gavin Sloane placed fourth for the winner in 16:31 and Ed Letko was seventh in 16:37.

Paul VI of Haddonfield repeated in Parochial A with a 25-38 margin over Christian Brothers Academy of Lincroft. Bill Barrett of CBA won the race in 16:05.9, but Paul VI took the next three places with Ron Faith, George Steinhoff and Chris Hageman. Steinhoff had won the race last year.

The other team champions were Bernards for the seventh year in a row

in Group 1, Somerville in Group 2, Newark East Side in Group 4 and Mater Dei of New Monmouth in Parochial B. It was the first championships for Somerville and East Side.

Martin decided to go for the record only after the starting gun sounded.

"My father almost talked me out of it before the race," Martin said, "since we have a big one coming up next week in the all-groups race. But the weather was so perfect."

Babcock, whose 15:48 was the second fastest of the day, put a lot of pressure on Martin in the last mile.

"I knew I had a chance for the record when I came out of the hills and heard the time," Martin said, "so I decided to go for it."

Martin and Hudson may meet next month in the Kinney national championships in San Diego although both have still to run qualifying races.

Faith led the Parochial A race out of the hills, but Barrett was right on his shoulder and turned on the gas in the last 220 yards to win by 30 yards in the third fastest time of the meet. The Parochial A race was virtually a dual meet between Paul VI and CBA, the teams taking nine of the first 10 places between them.

Bernards' Group 1 victory was its 11th state title in a row, since it also had a Group 2 victory in 1977 after three previous Group 1 triumphs. Jeff Simpson won the race for Bernards in 16:42.2, with teammate Lyle Smith second in the 50-100 spread over Henry Hudson of Atlantic Highlands.

East Side finished with a 143-154 margin over favored Ridgewood in the only team upset. Hector Rivera of Memorial of West New York won the race in 16:15.6 by 20 yards from Matt Talbot of Shawnee. Jose Barros led East Side in 15th place in 16:59, with teammates Paulo Santos 18th and Manny Santos 27th.

Somerville ended Lawrence's two-year reign in Group 2, 63-95, with Bob Loss and John Barry placing fourth and fifth for the winner. Pierre LeTennier of Manchester Regional of Haledon won the race in 16:05.5 by 60 yards from Jack Hay of Lenape Valley of Stanhope in 16:05.5.

Rollo Regan led Mater Dei to a 39-51 victory over defending Delbarton School of Morristown in Parochial B, winning the race in 16:53.5 by 50 yards from Sean Studer of DePaul of Wayne.

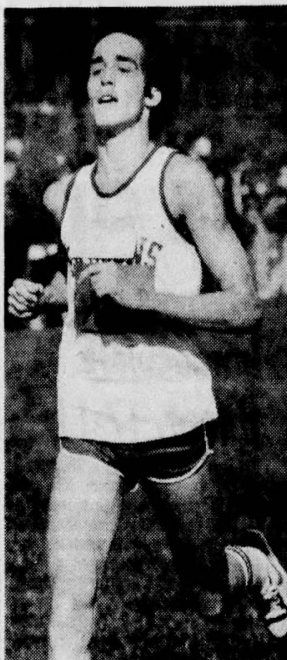


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Manchester's Pierre LeTennier is easy winner of Group 2 cross-country championship

TEAMS: 1-Newark East Side 143. 2-Ridgewood 154. 3-Sayreville 155. 4-Shawnee 177. 5-Hightstown 183. 6-Cherry Hill East 208. 7-Trenton 216. 8-Neptune 233. 9-Memorial (W.N.Y.) 246. 10-Camden 248. 11-Kearny 252. 12-Morristown 265. 13-



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Antonio Mellado, grandfather of former state champ Brad Hudson, congratulates North Hunterdon's Andy Martin after Martin broke Hudson's course record in the Group 3 cross country meet yesterday

Morris Knolls 314. 14-Passaic 320. 15-Madison Central 325. 16-Highland 329. 17-Cumberland 335. 18-Phillipsburg 338. 19-Hackensack 387. 20-Westfield 429.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Hector Rivera, Memorial (W.N.Y.) 16:15.6. 2-Matt Talbot, Shawnee 16:19. 3-Jeff Davis, Cumberland 16:26. 4-Kevin Pumphrey, Highland 16:26. 5-Eric Sturtevant, Morristown 16:30. 6-David Greenblatt, Teaneck 16:31. 7-Tom Yakowenko, North Edison 16:32. 8-Keith Williams, Hightstown 16:37. 9-Tim Blake, Trenton 16:40. 10-Pat Smith, Neptune 16:41. 11-Greg Cavaliere, Sayreville 16:43. 12-Tim Newsome, Sayreville 16:45. 13-John Piskora, Hightstown 16:49. 14-Kevin Thorn, Hightstown 16:55. 15-Jose Barros, Newark East Side 16:59. 16-Phil Schatz, Hightstown 17:01. 17-Noel Hightower, Neptune 17:02. 18-Paulo Santos, Newark East Side 17:02. 19-Manny Alvarez, East Brunswick 17:04. 20-Anibal Sotomayr, Trenton 17:05.

GROUP 3

TEAMS: 1-North Hunterdon 27. 2-Eastern 105. 3-Old Tappan 157. 4-Raritan 175. 5-Bridgewater West 177. 6-Lakewood 205. 7-Newark Vailsburg 240. 8-Parshippany Hills 244. 9-Vernon 263. 10-Brick Memorial 264. 11-Mount Olive 285. 12-Hamilton East 290. 13-Morris Hills 292. 14-Randolph 300. 15-Bridgton 338. 16-Ocean City 342. 17-Ramsey 342. 18-Pascack Valley 351. 19-Tenally 415.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Andy Martin, North Hunterdon 15:35.1. 2-Bill Babcock, North Hunterdon 15:48. 3-John Hayes, Randolph 16:14. 4-Gavin Sloane, North Hunterdon 16:31. 5-Barry Shea, Eastern 16:34.2. 6-Mike Besjanovitz, Raritan 16:35. 7-Ed Letko, North Hunterdon 16:37. 8-Herb Williams, Lakewood 16:39. 9-Bill Shea, Eastern 16:45. 10-Jon Miller, Bridgewater West 16:48. 11-Anthony Thomas, Newark Vailsburg 16:55. 12-Jason Kaplan, Westwood 17:00. 13-Michael Glucksman, Cranford 17:02. 14-Dan Hutchinson, Overbrook 17:08. 15-Joe Vivoris, Morris Hills 17:08. 16-Tim Bigley, North Hunterdon 17:15. 17-Jeff Brown, Northern Highlands 17:17. 18-Bruce Barrios, Hillsborough 17:17. 19-Tim Connelly, Vernon 17:18. 20-J. P. Hendricks, Malawan 17:18.

GROUP 2

TEAMS: 1-Somerville 63. 2-Lawrence 95. 3-Cinnaminson 117. 4-Mahwah 121. 5-Pineland 145. 6-Buena 253. 7-Dover 262. 8-Haddon Township 265. 9-Delran 271. 10-Jefferson 275. 11-Ridge 280. 12-Springfield 287. 13-Harrison 303. 14-Lenape Valley 330. 15-Hopatcong 344. 16-Rumson 350. 17-Sparta 367. 18-Hopewell Valley 400. 19-Millburn 426.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Pierre LeTennier, Manchester Regional 16:05.5. 2-Jack Hay, Lenape Valley 16:15. 3-Steve Osowski, Cinnaminson 16:42. 4-Bob Loss, Somerville 16:44. 5-John Barry, Somerville 16:49. 6-Jim Ippolito, Lawrence 16:49. 7-Bill Farquhar, Ridgefield Park 16:50. 8-Craig Tipton, Lawrence 16:53. 9-Jim Hopta, Ridge 16:55. 10-Greg Gilkes, Somerville 16:58. 11-Randy Valentine, Dover 16:58. 12-Dave Williamson, Cinnaminson 17:13. 13-Russ Montevichi, Mahwah 17:05. 14-Brian Doyle, Millburn 17:08. 15-Allan Croly, Delran 17:10. 16-Nick Warner, Monmouth Regional 17:11. 17-Jim Hannon, Pinelands 17:13. 18-Eric Elbell, Pinelands 17:14. 19-Doug Socrant, Lawrence 17:15. 20-Lowell Seal, Mahwah 17:18.

GROUP 1

TEAMS: 1-Bernards 50. 2-Henry Hudson 100. 3-Haddonfield 144. 4-Chatham Township 146. 5-Metuchen 201. 6-Bogota 206. 7-Paulsboro 220. 8-Pom-

ton Lakes 220. 9-Glassboro 222. 10-Haddon Heights 232. 11-Chatham Borough 244. 12-Kingsway 303. 13-Bound Brook 321. 14-Palmsides Park 328. 15-Mountain Lakes 336. 16-Emerson Borough 379. 17-Middlesex 395. 18-Walkill Valley 424.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Jeff Simpson, Bernards 16:42.2. 2-Lyle Smith, Bernards 16:52. 3-Mike Corallo, Glassboro 17:04. 4-Bill Giestler, Henry Hudson 17:12. 5-Pat Uhrig, Mountain Lakes 17:14. 6-Dan Loughran, Henry Hudson 17:17. 7-Tom Praisner, Bernards 17:19. 8-Ray Renner, Riverside 17:19. 9-Jeff Bowne, Chatham Township 17:23. 10-Josh Davis, Glassboro 17:24. 11-Mike Ryan, Palmsides Park 17:24. 12-Bill Moscovitz, Henry Hudson 17:30. 13-Mark Vaili, Haddonfield 17:37. 14-Tom Tursi, Haddonfield 17:39. 15-Chris Moore, Emerson Borough 17:39. 16-Ricky Lugo, Bogota 17:41. 17-Pete Beckwith, Bernards 17:44. 18-Ron Mackenzie, Haddonfield 17:46. 19-Jay Roberts, Metuchen 17:48. 20-Jeff Friedman, Mountain Lakes 17:53.

PAROCHIAL A

TEAMS: 1-Paul VI (Hadd.) 25. 2-Christian Brothers Academy 38. 3-Holy Cross (Delran) 103. 4-St. Joseph (Met.) 135. 5-Bergen Catholic 140. 6-Notre Dame 215. 7-Red Bank Catholic 216. 8-St. John Vianney 218. 9-St. Joseph (Mont.) 269. 10-Hudson Catholic (J.C.) 294. 11-Msgr. Donovan 299. 12-Paramus Catholic 318. 13-Union Catholic 328. 14-Essex Catholic 333. 15-Camden Catholic 375. 16-Bishop Ahr 473.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Bill Barrett, Christian Brothers 16:05.9. 2-Ron Faith, Paul VI (Hadd.) 16:11. 3-George Steinhoff, Paul VI (Hadd.) 16:23. 4-Chris Hageman, Paul VI (Hadd.) 16:26. 5-Harry Carle, Bergen Catholic 16:28. 6-Tom Metzger, Paul VI (Hadd.) 16:33. 7-Jim Hickey, Christian Brothers 16:31. 8-Bill Kolb, Christian Brothers 16:54. 9-Mike Dubel, Christian Brothers 16:55. 10-John Wolfgram, Paul VI (Hadd.) 17:13. 11-Dan Fournay, Holy Cross 17:15. 12-Tom Donnelly, Paul VI (Hadd.) 17:24. 13-Tony Mile, Christian Brothers 17:29. 14-Keith Conway, Bergen Catholic 17:31. 15-Eric Lorenz, Holy Cross 17:34. 16-Joe McCarthy, St. Joseph (Met.) 17:35. 17-Doug Palmadessa, Bergen Catholic 17:37. 18-Kevin Brennan, Red Bank Catholic 17:37. 19-Dave Jones, St. John Vianney 17:41. 20-Doug Smith, St. Joseph (Met.) 17:42.

PAROCHIAL B

TEAMS: 1-Mater Dei 39. 2-Delbarton School 51. 3-Bishop Eustace 109. 4-Roselle Catholic 187. 5-St. Rose 188. 6-Morris Catholic 202. 7-DePaul 214. 8-St. Augustine Prep 224. 9-St. Joseph (Hamm.) 260. 10-Sacred Heart (Vineland) 272. 11-Eastern Christian 288. 12-Montclair Immaculate 302. 13-St. Mary's (S.A.) 329. 14-St. Peter's (N.B.) 334. 15-Don Bosco Tech 354. 16-Paul VI (Clifton) 354. 17-Immaculate 419.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Rollo Regan, Mater Dei 16:53.5. 2-Sean Studer, DePaul 17:02. 3-Ray Osterby, Mater Dei 17:10. 4-Mike James, Bishop Eustace 17:12. 5-Jim Garster, Roselle Catholic 17:17. 6-Martin Downs, Mater Dei 17:21. 7-Todd Wells, Delbarton 17:40. 8-Pete Stewart, Delbarton 17:44. 9-Dave May, Bishop Eustace 17:45. 10-Frank Arico, Morris Catholic 17:51. 11-Mark Guthrie, Paterson Catholic 17:57. 12-Andy Cline, Delbarton 17:58. 13-John Whepley, Delbarton 17:59. 14-Bob Kulik, Delbarton 17:59. 15-Mark Lonergan, Mater Dei 18:08. 16-Tom Fallon, Mater Dei 18:09. 17-Tim McAuliffe, Mater Dei 18:10. 18-Steven Lyvendyk, Eastern Christian 18:12. 19-Matt Makowski, Sacred Heart 18:21. 20-Steven Theobald, Montclair Immaculate 18:21.