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East Side wins, Caldwell's Nagy runs to crown

By GRANT EDWARDS

Jen VanHorn of Wayne Valley came from behind in the final half of the race to upset defending Toni Ann Angione of Bergenfield for the girls' Group 3 girls' cross-country championship yesterday at Holmdel County Park.

VanHorn, a junior, caught Angione at the 1½-mile mark and, after the lead twice exchanged hands, went on to win in 18:26.5 by 75 yards — with the fastest time in the six group races. Angione had the day's second fastest time of 18:41.

North Hunterdon of Clinton easily won the Group 3 team championship with a 42-110 margin over Wayne Valley. Jeanne LaPlaca and Alanna Gurwitz, who placed fourth and fifth, led the way to a fifth straight group title for The Star-Ledger's No. 1 team, four in Group 3 and the other in Group 4.

Joining North Hunterdon as winners were Bernards in Group 1, Holmdel in Group 2, Newark East Side in Group 4, Paul VI of Haddonfield in Parochial A and Mater Dei of New Monmouth in Parochial B. Bernards, Holmdel and Mater Dei had won the same championships a year ago.

The Group 3 race had the strongest individual field of the day. The first three finishers ran faster than any of the other group champions. Angione, the defending champion, took the field out fast, but VanHorn stayed within striking range and caught up when they entered the roller-coaster hills at the midpoint.

Karen Ahearn of Bernards won the Group 1 race by 60 yards from Ruth Lockbaum of Glassboro to lead her team to a 21-100 margin over Kinnelon. It was Bernards' fourth straight Group 1 title. Laurie Day, Tracey Hinman and Sharon Ahearn, Karen's twin, placed third fourth and fifth for Bernards.

Newark East Side repeated its close sectional victory over Columbia of South Orange-Maplewood, this time with a 78-88 edge. Rosa Domingues placed eighth for the winner in 19:54 and freshman Ana Cravo 10th in 20:04. Margaret Scutro won the race by 100 yards from Michelle DiMuro of Shawnee in 19:09.2.

Holmdel took the Group 2 title, 115-121, from Dumont, with Lauren Jelm leading the victory in sixth place in 20:04. Madeline Nagy of Caldwell retained her individual title, finishing 120 yards ahead of Beth Starr of Lawrence.

Paul VI of Haddonfield was an easy winner in the Parochial A race on a 33-73 spread over Red Bank Catholic. Beth Devine of Red Bank Catholic won the race in 19:56, but Paul VI took the next three places.

Rene Murphy of DePaul of Wayne had the largest winning margin of the day in Parochial B race, winning in 19:28 by 350 yards from Gail Lassen of Mater Dei of New Monmouth. Lassen led a parade for Mater Dei, Jodi Mcandrews and Shannon Wrucke taking the next two places. Mater Dei finished with a 24-73 margin over DePaul.

Five schools won both boys' and girls' titles, the first time in the history of the meet that there have been so many sweeps. Only in Group 2, where Somerville won the boys' title, was the monopoly broken.

Photo by Richard Rosenberg

Wayne Valley's Jen VanHorn crosses finish line to win Group 3 cross country title yesterday at Holmdel Park

GROUP 4

TEAMS: 1-Newark East Side 78. 2-Columbia 88. 3-Manalapan 117. 4-Toms River East 124. 5-Ridgewood 127. 6-Marlboro 242. 7-Hunterdon Central 251. 8-Clifton 252. 9-Shawnee 254. 10-Morristown 268. 11-Phillipsburg 292. 12-Brick 302. 13-Cherry Hill East 321. 14-Paramus 355. 15-Plainfield 362. 16-Middletown South 386. 17-Madison Central 391. 18-Teaneck 429. 19-Kearny 456. 20-Toms River North 515.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Margaret Scutro, Ridgewood 19:09.2. 2-Michelle DiMuro, Shawnee 19:30. 3-Cathy Paz, Clifton 19:34. 4-Kelly McDonnell, Toms River East 19:39. 5-Chris Baldes, Manalapan 19:41. 6-Jackie Paz, Clifton 19:45. 7-Pam Hoover, Roxbury 19:51. 8-Rosa Domingues, Newark East Side 19:54. 9-Chrissy Klimer, Clifton 19:58. 10-Ana Cravo, Newark East Side 20:04. 11-Christine Grant, Columbia 20:10. 12-Jamie Roberto, Manalapan 20:15. 13-DeAnne Germano, Shawnee 20:16. 14-Lina Beirao, Newark East Side 20:17. 15-Carolyn Cochran, Morris Knolls 20:23. 16-Kim Dunn, Columbia 20:24. 17-Edna Neivart, Columbia 20:24. 18-Annie Resende, Newark East Side 20:25. 19-Jean Mutone, Toms River East 20:25. 20-Jen Hughes, Ridgewood 20:29.

GROUP 3

TEAMS: 1-North Hunderdon 42. 2-Wayne Valley 110. 3-Voorhees 171. 4-West Morris 178. 5-Old Tappan 199. 6-Randolph 203. 7-Egg Harbor Township 204. 8-Raritan 208. 9-Princeton 257. 10-River Dell 261. 11-Mendham 277. 12-Ocean City 278. 13-Sterling 306. 14-Point Pleasant Boro 314. 15-Northern Highlands 315. 16-Vernon 383. 17-Newark Vailsburg 385. 18-Morris Hills 386. 19-Brick Memorial 522.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Jen VanHorn, Wayne Valley 18:26.5. 2-Toni Ann Angione, Bergenfield 18:41. 3-Mindy Rowand, Sterling 18:53. 4-Missy Duchini, Wayne Valley 19:04. 5-Jeanne LaPlaca, North Hunderdon 19:12. 6-Alanna Gurwitz, North Hunterdon 19:13. 7-Meghan Lee, West Morris 19:22. 8-Jodi Belotta, North Hunterdon 19:30. 9-Terry Reinman, Mendham 19:33. 10-Anne Marie Letko, North Hunterdon 19:50. 11-Mary Jo Dougherty, Ocean City 20:14. 12-Eileen Schultz, Northern Highlands 20:16. 13-Eva Klohnen, Princeton 20:23. 14-Jackie McDonagh, Wayne Valley 20:26. 15-Christina Bessinger, Raritan 20:28. 16-Darci Voigt, Raritan 20:30. 17-Anne McVeigh, Demarest 20:33. 18-Nancy Heck, River Dell 20:36. 19-Denise Byrnes, North Hunterdon 20:44. 20-Sherri Paddock, Morris Hills 20:45.

GROUP 2

TEAMS: 1-Holmdel 115. 2-Dumont 121. 3-Kittatinny 165. 4-Boonton 188. 5-Butler 194. 6-Somerville 208. 7-Sparta 212. 8-Caldwell 212. 9-Delaware Valley 255. 10-Springfield 260. 11-North Brunswick 275. 12-Whippany Park 280. 13-Haddon Township 319. 14-Lyndhurst 359. 15-Manchester Regional 439. 16-Absegami 460. 17-Cinnaminson 464. 18-Buena 508.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Madeline Nagy, Caldwell 19:07. 2-Beth Starr, Lawrence 19:29. 3-Vicki Scozzafava, Boonton 19:47. 4-Kathy Fitzpatrick, North Brunswick 20:01. 5-Yolanda Santana, Dover 20:02. 6-Lauren Helm, Holmdel 20:04. 7-Tracy Biber, Springfield 20:07. 8-Lora Lucinski, Butler 20:15. 9-Laura Chandler, Holmdel 20:17. 10-Michelle Forzani, Dumont 20:18. 11-Liz Fitzpatrick, North Brunswick 20:30. 12-Betsy Long, Madison Borough 20:35. 13-Jill Robertson, Jefferson Township 20:37. 14-Heidi Schimpf, Butler 20:40. 15-Karen Mitrakul, Ridge 20:42. 16-Angela Perrucci, Delaware Valley 20:49. 17-Robyn Helm, Lyndhurst 20:50. 18-Diane Duffany, Dumont 20:54. 19-Patty McCormick, Somerville 21:01. 20-Marcie Prather, Monmouth Regional 21:04.

GROUP 1

TEAMS: 1-Bernards 21. 2-Kinnelon 100. 3-Point Pleasant Beach 104. 4-Audubon 173. 5-Henry Hudson 193. 6-South Amboy 210. 7-Saddle Brook 210. 8-Haddonfield 229. 9-Dunellen 237. 10-Pitman 252. 11-New Providence 252. 12-Paulsboro 264. 13-Midland Park 294. 14-Bound Brook 329. 15-New Milford 340. 16-Pompton Lakes 350.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Karen Ahearn, Bernards 19:02.2. 2-Ruth Lockbaum, Glassboro 19:12. 3-Laurie Day, Bernards 19:28. 4-Tracey Hinman, Bernards 19:31. 5-Sharon Ahearn, Bernards 20:29. 6-Mary Lynne Hughes, Point Pleasant Beach 20:36. 7-Michelle Gladden, Point Pleasant Beach 20:45. 8-Patty Neiderhofer, Pleasantville 20:45. 9-Jenny Gough, Haddonfield 20:46. 10-Rhoda Hirsch, Metuchen 20:51. 11-Julie Cuny, Henry Hudson 21:10. 12-Vicki Gusciora, Saddle Brook 21:13. 13 Kelly Reick, South Amboy 21:17. 14-Tasha Knox, Bernards 21:23. 15-Laurie Carpenter, New Providence 21:23. 16-Sandi Smith, Kinnelon 21:24. 17-Patty Sullivan, Bernards 21:23. 18-Jodi McCain, Bernards 21:40. 19-Jen Adams, Kinnelon 21:41. 20-Lynn Kirchoff, Kinnelon 21:42.

PAROCHIAL A

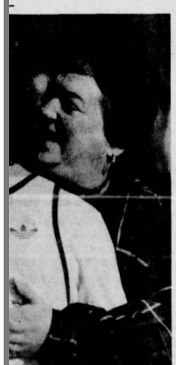
TEAMS: 1-Paul VI (Haddonfield 33. 2-Red Bank Catholic 73. 3-St. John Vianney 75. 4-Holy Cross (Delran) 100. 5-Notre Dame 118. 6-St. Dominic Academy (J.C.) 172. 7-Msgr. Donovan 176. 8-Bishop Ahr 196.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Beth Devine, Red Bank Catholic 19:56. 2-Danielle McManus, Paul VI 20:07. 3-Jackie McMillan, Paul VI (Haddonfield) 20:15. 4-Missy McNally, Paul VI (Haddonfield) 20:17. 5-Carolyn Fee, Red Bank Catholic 20:17. 6-Caryn Demarest, St. John Vianney 20:18. 7-Diane Lorenz, Holy Cross (Delran) 20:18. 8-Melissa Vinci, St. John Vianney 20:23. 9-Meg Lenahan, St. John Vianney 20:29. 10-Christiana MacHado, St. John Vianney 20:37. 11-Nancy Knoll, Paul VI (Haddonfield) 20:37. 12-Pam Accor, Holy Cross (Delran) 20:43. 13-Susan Murphy, Paul VI (Haddonfield) 20:45. 14-Bernadette Mulligan, PAul VI (Haddonfield) 20:54. 15-Linda Magloire, St. Dominic Academy 21:00. 16-Marissa Lambert, Msgr. Donovan 21:03. 17-Catriona Logan, Red Bank Catholic 21:06. 18-Stacy Smith, Paul VI (Haddonfield) 21:07. 19-Bridgette Conboy, Notre Dame 21:45. 20-Kathy VanBloem, Red Bank Catholic 21:51.

PAROCHIAL B

TEAMS: 1-Mater Dei 24. 2-DePaul 73. 3-St. Rose 92. 4-Morris Catholic 100. 5-Immaculata 146. 6-Bishop Eustace 162. 7-St. Mary's (S.A.) 179. 8-Mount St. Dominic 182. 9-Paul VI (Clifton) 221.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Rene Murphy, DePaul 19:28. 2-Gail Lassen, Mater Dei 20:45. 3-Jodi Mcandrews, Mater Dei 20:48. 4-Shannon Wrucke, Mater Dei 21:00. 5-Erin O'Connell, Morris Catholic 21:09. 6-Jackie Rourke, St. Rose 21:15. 7-Kelly McCaffrey, Mater Dei 21:17. 8-Jen Healy, Mater Dei 21:25. 9-Tracy Santanello, St. Rose 21:26. 10-Trina Foster, Eastern Christian 21:53. 11-Nicole Cusarelli, Bishop Eustace 22:04. 12-Missy Murphy, DePaul 22:08. 13-Maureen Clark, Mater Dei 22:27. 14-Kim McNab, Roselle Catholic 22:36. 15-Doris Duggan, Mount St. Dominic 22:36. 16-Michelle Melly, DePaul 22:41. 17-Maureen Butkovich, Mater Dei 22:52. 18-Kathy Petersen, Morris Knolls 22:56. 19-Tanya Bayles, Bishop Eustace 22:59. 20-Stephanie Fischer, Morris Catholic 23:03.



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