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Bilotta, Constantin capture girls' titles

Kearny places 2d to Brick in Group 4

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Jodi Bilotta of North Hunterdon and Christi Constantin of Kittatinny were easy winners in the state cross-country group championships yesterday at Holmdel County Park.

Constantin took the course first in the Group 2 race and won by 300 yards from Sandra Tignor of Princeton in 18:47. Bilotta then won the Group 4 race by 175 yards from Paula Vigueiro of Newark East Side in 19:02.

The two winners will meet for the first time this season in the all-groups meet Saturday at Holmdel. Bilotta has won the all-groups the last two years and will shoot for a record-tying third triumph.

The team winners yesterday were Brick in Group 4, Red Bank Catholic in Group 3, Ridge in Group 2 and Mater Dei in Group 1. The other individual winners were Amy Kempf of Paramus in Group 3 in 20:01 and Jodi McAndrew of Mater Dei in Group 1 in 20:19.

Brick ran another of its solid team races to take the Group 4 race from Kearny, 73-110. Mary Hoerlein was first over the line for the winner in seventh place in 19:57, followed by her twin sister, Patty, in 13th in 20:43, Dana Zonkic in 16th in 20:47, Maureen Batiato in 19th in 20:52 and Cathie Moroney in 22d in 20:57.

In that race, which included eight of The Star-Ledger's Top 10 squads in the state, Kearny and North Hunterdon took the other qualifying places for the upcoming all-groups meet. Liz Duarte led Kearny in fifth place in 19:49. This was the first time North Hunterdon had failed to win a group title since 1979.

Red Bank Catholic, which once dominated girls' cross country in the state, won its first group title since 1978 in a 67-96 upset of Ocean City. Catriona Logan led the victory, finishing 60 yards behind Kempf in 20:14. But the team captain was more of a factor in the victory than just her second place finish, according to her coach, Mike Ulrich.

"All year, Catriona has been running with our back group, giving up her chance for individual honors to help bring them along," he said. "We turned her loose last week and she won the sectional title."

The Ridge victory in Group 2 was also somewhat of an upset. Ridge had lost the sectional on the same course last week to Delaware Valley, but won this time in a close overall team race, 126-135.

It was also a victory that made up for an unexpected loss a year ago to Kittatinny. In that meet, Ridge had been a strong favorite until its lead runner, Cindy Laury, was compelled to withdraw from the race when her mother died a few days earlier. Two veterans of the 1986 team, Veronique



Group 1 girls' cross country teams head through Holmdel Park during competition yesterday

Godleski and Sandra Esposito, placed eighth and 17th yesterday to lead the victory along with newcomer Theresa Sullivan, who finished 10th.

McAndrew capped a comeback from a stress fracture earlier this season to lead Mater Dei to its 53-86 victory over Bishop Eustace in Group 1. She finished 90 yards ahead of teammate Resie Caffrey, who had won the sectional race last week.

GROUP 1 GIRLS
TEAMS: 1-Brick 71, 2-Kearny 110, 3-North Hunterdon 196, 4-Paul VI (Haddonfield) 129, 5-Manatlan 147, 6-Ridgewood 169, 7-Toms River East 206, 8-Hunterdon Central 222, 9-Madison Central 240, 10-Phillipsburg 242, 11-Clifton 246, 12-Roxbury 238, 13-Newark East Side 277, 14-Morrisstown 207, 15-Middletown South 354, 16-Toms River North 420, 17-Holy Cross 456, 18-Passaic 452, 19-Union 548.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Jodi Bilotta, North Hunterdon 19:06, 2-Paula Vigueiro, Newark East Side 19:41, 3-Darryl Kiesche, Roxbury 19:44, 4-Chris Balder, Manatlan 19:47, 5-Liz Duarte, Kearny 19:49, 6-Elaine Doherty, Morrisstown 19:51, 7-Mary Hoerlein, Brick 19:57, 8-Lisa Miers, Phillipsburg 19:59, 9-Jackie Paz, Clifton 20:14, 10-Lauren Bello, Paul VI 20:18, 11-Uloopi Deas, Kearny 20:23, 12-Melissa Nischewadewicz, Madison Central 20:27, 13-Patty Hoerlein, Brick 20:43, 14-Heather McGee, Passaic Valley 20:43, 15-Katie McCormick, North Hunterdon 20:44, 16-Dana Zonkic, Brick 20:47, 17-Tara McDermott, Kearny 20:50, 18-Sandy LaPlaca, North Hunterdon 20:51, 19-Maureen Batiato, Brick 20:52, 20-Erika Webb, Millville 20:53.

GROUP 2 GIRLS
TEAMS: 1-Red Bank Catholic 67, 2-Ocean City 94, 3-Wayne Valley 130, 4-Mount Olive 154, 5-Paramus 187, 6-Clifford Scott 193, 7-Raritan 200, 8-Bishop Ahr 227, 9-Parippany Hills 253, 10-Worhees 242, 11-Englewood 281, 12-Somersville 322, 13-Ramsey 361, 14-Point Pleasant Boro 370, 15-Morris Hills 371, 16-Bergenfield 377.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Amy Kempf, Paramus 20:01, 2-Catriona Logan, Red Bank Catholic 20:14, 3-Cheryl Windham, Bridgewater West 20:18, 4-Cathy Feeney, Wayne Valley 20:20, 5-Gina Wolloughby, Randolph 20:22, 6-Mary Jo Dougherty, Ocean City 20:22, 7-Nicole Willett, Morris Hills 20:22, 8-Mary Lou Gibson, Brick Memorial 20:24, 9-Laura Drake, Wayne Valley 20:40, 10-Toni Gran-

15-Stephanie Rogers, Passaic Valley 20:59, 16-Lori Heywood, Ocean City 21:09, 17-Kerry Unrau, Mount Olive 21:17, 18-Julie Avery, Red Bank Catholic 21:17, 19-Lisa Newell, Bishop Ahr 21:20, 20-Colleen Kenney, Raritan 21:20.

GROUP 3 GIRLS
TEAMS: 1-Ridge 126, 2-Delaware Valley 135, 3-Kingway 144, 4-Princeton 147, 5-Kittatinny 171, 6-Hackettstown 81, 7-Berkeley 184, 8-Dumont 198, 9-Mt. Pleasant 222, 10-Caldwell 237, 11-Shore 245, 12-Garfield 207, 13-Jefferson Township 319, 14-Millburn 320, 15-St. Dominic Academy 335, 16-River Dell 344, 17-Stirling 451.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Christi Constantin, Kittatinny 18:47, 2-Sandra Tignor, Princeton 19:30, 3-Karin Swartz, Princeton 20:16, 4-Dee Keough, Mahwah 20:34, 5-Michele Owen, Clearview 20:49, 6-Lori Townsend, Kinnelon 20:49, 7-Gaile Henn, Kittatinny 20:50, 8-Veronique Godleski, Ridge 21:03, 9-Owen Nagy, Caldwell 21:10, 10-Theresa Sullivan, Ridge 21:17, 11-Patty Trimmel, Hackettstown 21:21, 12-Tracy DeBlieck, Butler 21:24, 13-Michele Jones, Delaware Valley 21:24, 14-Patti Bugliari, Kingway 21:37, 15-Heather Leon, Delaware Valley 21:52, 16-Kerry Heavac, Mt. Pleasant 21:44, 17-Sandra Esposito, Ridge 21:49, 18-Kathy McAuliffe, Dumont 21:51, 19-Jackie O'Rourke, St. Rose 21:52, 20-Eniko Leoni, Hopalong 21:53.

GROUP 4 GIRLS
TEAMS: 1-Mater Dei 53, 2-Bishop Eustace 86, 3-Saddle Brook 117, 4-Kinnelon 133, 5-Palmsades Park 167, 6-Newark Arts 203, 7-Paulsboro 229, 8-Morris Catholic 235, 9-Pingry 259, 10-Keanburg 277, 11-Keypoint 285, 12-South Amboy 290, 13-Pitman 302, 14-Spotswood 323, 15-North Arlington 327, 16-Pompton Lakes 416, 17-Midland Park 438, 18-Point Pleasant Beach 439.

INDIVIDUALS: 1-Jodi McAndrew, Mater Dei 20:19, 2-Resie Caffrey, Mater Dei 20:37, 3-Cathy Acevedo, Saddle Brook 20:56, 4-Jen Schenberg, Kinnelon 21:04, 5-Ann Wozniak, Gloucester Catholic 21:28, 6-Nicole Cusumano, Bishop Eustace 21:32, 7-Cheryl Keller, Spotswood 21:43, 8-Nancy Ryan, Haddonfield 21:44, 9-Renee Althaus, Kinnelon 21:56, 10-Nicole Brown, Palmsades Park 22:02, 11-Helene Offens, Bishop Eustace 22:04, 12-Ann Sourek, Palmsades Park 22:07, 13-Lauren Rubin, Mater Dei 22:08, 14-Michelle Straub, Waldwick 22:09, 15-Justine Spinks, Paulsboro 22:18, 16-Becky Nataro, Pingry 22:27, 17-Dawn Pfeiffer, Bishop Eustace 22:28, 18-Jessica Grieco, Emerson Borough 22:37, 19-Sue O'Hanlon, Bishop Eustace 22:37, 20-Kathryn Ford, Mater Dei 22:42.



Jodi Bilotta crosses finish line to win Group 4 girls' cross country race yesterday at Holmdel Park

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