

Charger Wins Lanphier Race

SPRINGFIELD — Champaign Centennial senior Britt Powell broke away early and posted a convincing individual triumph in the Springfield Lanphier Invitational cross-country meet Saturday.

Powell covered the tough, slippery 3.05-mile course at Lincoln Park in 15:43, four seconds ahead of Dave Egan of Chatham-Glenwood.

"He covered the first mile in 5:04 and nobody challenged him," said Centennial coach Tim Fairchild of Powell. He did two miles in 10:26 and was 20 yards ahead of everybody."

Powell's top finish propelled the Chargers into fifth place in the 13-team field, a jump from seventh in a 12-team field last year. His time was the best ever run by a Centennial harrier on the Lincoln Park course.

Host Lanphier won the meet with 47 points. Bloomington was second at 76 with Decatur MacArthur at 102, O'Fallon at 103 and the Chargers at 107.

● Urbana's Melissa Straza continued her winning ways Saturday with a victory in the girls' division of the Danville Jamboree cross-country meet.

Straza, a freshman, covered the 2-mile course in 11:53 to pace the Tiger girls to a team title. Urbana finished with 34 points. Charleston was second at 41 with Champaign Central third with 70 and Rich East fourth at 74.

In the boys' varsity division, Rantoul finished third among nine teams. The Eagles had 79 points.

Lockport won with 49 and Sterling was second with 61. Urbana finished fourth at 137, while Champaign Central was seventh with 165 points.

Top local finisher for the boys was Rantoul's Dave Quinn, who was seventh in 16:09 over the 3-mile course. Shawn Kirby was the second Eagle runner to hit the chute. His time was 16:16.

Central competed without the services of top runner Adam Egberman, who was observing a religious holiday.

● At Tuscola, area power Oakwood came up short, finishing second to Triad, 71-82. Mahomet-Seymour was fourth with 101 points and Chrisman was fifth at 152 with Monticello ninth at 224, Tuscola 11th at 263, St. Teresa 12th at 272, Shiloh 13th at 335 and Villa Grove 14th with 351.

Individual varsity honors went to Hoopston-East Lynn's Kirk Davis, who ran the 2.8-mile course in 15:15. Tom Fortune of St. Joseph-Ogden was fourth in 15:47, while Uni High's Shagg Mankino took ninth at 16:12.

In the girls' division, Paxton's Leanna McClure claimed top honors with a 12:29 clocking over the 2.0-mile course. That led her team to a low score of 24 points. Uni High was second with 35 points, while Westville was third at 65.

Individual honors went to Chrisman's Lane Holbert, who ran the 5,000-meter course through the streets of Tuscola in 16:03. Teammate Reid McClintock was second in 16:15. Mahomet-Seymour's Eric Mathis was 11th in 16:41.

● At Bismarck, St. Joseph-Ogden finished second in both the varsity and sophomore boys' divisions, while Paxton captured the girls' title at the Bismarck-Henning Invitational.

St. Anne was the winner in varsity and sophomore boys' contests. St. Anne won the varsity meet with a low score of 48 points. The Spartans had 94 points, while Hoopston-East Lynn was third with 96. Uni High was fifth with 122 with Paxton next at 135. Bismarck-Henning was a gracious host, finishing 11th with 287.

PREP SUMMARIES Bismarck-Henning Invite

VARSITY

Team Scores

St. Anne 48, St. Joseph-Ogden 94, Hoopston-East Lynn 96, Seeger, Ind. 103, Uni High 122, Paxton 135, Covington, Ind. 219, Westville 262, Rankin 262, Georgetown 266, Bismarck-Henning 287.

Individual Results

1. Davis (H-EL) 15:15 (2.8-mile course at Bismarck); 2. Taylor (S) 15:34; 3. Arends (Melvin-Sibley) 15:39; 4. Fortune (SJ-O) 15:47; 5. Dunlap (St. Anne) 15:48; 6. Pickens (St. Anne) 16:04; 7. Lytwynick (St. Anne) 16:05; 8. Askran (Cov) 16:10; 9. Makino (Uni) 16:12; 10. Knapp (H-EL) 16:13.

FROSH-SOPH

Team Scores

St. Anne 57, St. Joseph-Ogden 94, Bismarck-Henning 122, Unity 148, Georgetown 171, Paxton 172, Rankin 197, Uni High 232.

Individual Results

1. Everson (Covington) 16:14; 2. Cloud (Covington) 16:32; 3. Chism (SJ-O) 16:37; 4. Huffman (B-H) 16:43; 5. Rebello (St. Anne) 16:46; 6. Williams (St. Anne) 16:49; 7. Witruk (SJ-O) 16:51; 8. Corbett (St. Anne) 16:53; 9. Brown (Unity) 16:59; 10. Showatter (Potomac) 17:04.

GIRLS

Team Scores

Paxton 24, Uni High 35, Westville 65.

Individual Results

1. McClure (Pax) 12:29 (2.0-mile course at Bismarck); 2. Neely (Uni) 12:46; 3. Wisdom (H-EL) 12:53; 4. Stewart (Unity) 13:16; 5. Manion (H-EL) 13:19.

Tuscola Classic

TEAM SCORES

Triad 71, Oakwood 82, Shelbyville 100, Mahomet-Seymour 101, Chrisman 152, Beecher 182, Blue Mound 193, Cumberland 214, Monticello 224, Effingham-St. Anthony 262, Tuscola 263, Decatur St. Teresa 272, Shiloh 335, Villa Grove 351.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

1. Holbert (Ch) 16:03 (5,000-meter course at Tuscola); 2. McClintock (Ch) 16:15; 3. Singler (Triad) 16:16; 4. Hodgett (Bee) 16:20; 5. Maton (Sh) 16:22; 6. Speletich (Bee) 16:23; 7. Oakley (Cum) 16:24; 8. Imberg (Triad) 16:35; 9. Grimes (Oak) 16:36; 10. E. Mathis (M-S) 16:41.

First senior — Lane Holbert, Chrisman

First junior — Steve Iberg Triad

First sophomore — Ron Speletich, Beecher

First freshman — Mike Shaffer, Shelbyville