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Likens Is Winner in Mile Run

Hillsdale High school miler Ralph Likens made good a promise to himself by beating his fiercest rival Saturday in the North Coast Section Division II track meet at King City.

Likens won his specialty in the relatively slow time of 4:23.6, but was probably pleased with his victory over Mike Ryan of Wilcox more than anything else about the race.

Likens stated after winning the Mid-Peninsula league mile run early this week that he thought he could beat Ryan in a head-to-head duel.

Summary

VARSITY

120HM—Gibbons (Camp.) 14.9; Nelson (N. Salinas) 14.9; B. Gibbons (Camp.); Dunlap (Del Mar) 15.3; Rose (N. Salinas) 15.8.

880—Graham (Los Altos) 1:58.8; Messer (Woodside) 1:59.3; Gould (Salinas) 2:00.0; Sandin (Carlmont) 2:01.0; Whitehead (Andrew Hill) and Casillas (South S.F.) tied at 2:02.1.

100—Haas (Soquel) 9.9; Figueroa (Sunnyvale) 10.0; Crivello (Monterey) 10.0; Lavigne (Ayer) 10.0; Sears (Carlmont) 10.0.

440—Richards (Watsonville) 50.1; Duran (Cupertino) 50.2; Johnson (Sequoia) 50.3; Haas (Soquel) 50.6; McElory (Overfelt) no time.

180LH—T. Gibbons (Camp.) 19.9; Harrison (Ravenswood) 20.0; Cabading (Watsonville) 20.2; Nelson (N. Salinas) 20.4; Dunlap (Del Mar) 20.6.

220—Figueroa (Sunnyvale) 21.7; Sears (Carlmont) 22.1; Richards (Watsonville) 22.1; Johnson (Sequoia) 22.3; Pennell (Westmoor) 22.3.

Mile—Likens (Hillsdale) 4:23.6; Vincent (Terra Nova) 4:26.7; Ryan (Wilcox) 4:27.6; McNutt (San Carlos) 4:28.0; Bieber (Bucsher) 4:30.

High Jump—Reed (Monterey) 6-2½; Kentura (Cubberley) 6-1¼; Chambers (M-A) 6-1¼; Hines (Fremont) 6-0¼; Nevarez (Aragon) 6-0½.

Broad Jump—Coy (Los Altos) 22-5; Wright (Monterey) 22-4¾; Crivello (Monterey) 22-4¾; Harrison (Ravenswood) 22-3¼; Mahan (Fremont) 21-9½.

Shot Put—Wilhelm (Fremont) 62-6½; Branner (Los Gatos) 59-1¾; Marks (Leigh) 57¾; Forrest (Los Altos) 57-4¾; Glidden (Aragon) 56-5¼.

Discus—Marks (Leigh) 173-11¾; Wilhelm (Fremont) 173.9; Smart (Los Altos) 169-10½; Reed (Monterey) 169-9¼; Brannen (Los Gatos) 165-7½.

Pole Vault—Fosdick (Andrew Hill) 13-11; McKlesky (Aragon) 13-6; Eshelman (Cubberley) 13-6; Barkley (Palo Alto) 13-0; Cox (N. Salinas) 13-0.

880 Relay—Monterey 1:32.8; Buscher 1:32.9; Soquel 1:33.8; Watsonville 1:33.9; Palma 1:34.2.

TEAM SCORING

Monterey 29, Los Altos 21, Campbell 19, Fremont 16, Watsonville 16, Sunnyvale 13, Soquel 13, Leigh 11, N. Salinas 9½, Andrew Hill 8½, Hillsdale 8, Carlmont 8, Cubberley 8, Ravenswood 7, Aragon 7, Bucsher 6, Los Gatos 6, Woodside 5, Cupertino 5, Terra Nova 5, Sequoia 5, Menlo-Atherton 3, DelMar 3, Salinas 3, Wilcox 3, Ayer 2, San Carlos 2, Palo Alto 1½, Westmoor 1, Overfelt 1, South San Francisco ½.

CLASS B

70HH—Turner (Ravenswood) 9.1; Rojas (Watsonville) 9.1; Druehl (M-A) 9.2; Briggs (Fremont) 9.2; Schaver (Lick) 9.3.

660—Hea (Woodside) 1:23.8; Jacobs (Burlingame) 1:24.0; Tracy (Westmoor) 1:25.1; Williams (Fremont) 1:25.2; Corral (Camp.) 1:25.2.

75—Johnson (Pacific Grove) 7.8; Rovere (Carlmont) 7.9; Fernandez (Carmel) 7.9; Mendoza (Ayer) 7.9; Anderson (Los Gatos) 8.0.

330—Benjamin (Monterey) 36.0; Mapstead (Carmel) 36.2; Dempsey (Woodside) 36.5; Shupe (Lick) 36.60 Handy (Cubberley) 36.9.

120LH—Smith (San Mateo) 13.3; Turner (Ravenswood) 13.5; Weydemuller (Terra Nova) 13.6; Caines (San Mateo) 13.8; Rapandt (Wilcox) 13.9.

150—Johnson (Pacific Grove) 14.9; Rovere (Carlmont) 15.0; Benjamin (Monterey) 15.2; Hea (Woodside) 15.4; Cook (Aragon) 15.5.

1320—McCann (Carlmont) 3:16.8; Barrara (Newark) 3:20.0; Scurich (Watsonville) 3:21.6; Martinez (Jefferson) 3:22.6; Bradow (Westmoor) 3:22.7.

High Jump—Turner (Ravenswood) 5-9¾; Powers (Sunnyvale) 5-9¾; Brown (Ravenswood) 5-8¾; Ichimura (San Mateo) 5-6¾; Coulter (Fremont) 5-6¾.

Pole Vault—Weckiewicz (Cubberley) 13-2; Thompson (San Mateo) 12-11¾; Butler (Saratoga) 12-10½; Thompson (San Mateo) 12-11¾; Butler (Saratoga) 12-10½; Ellisary (Sunnyvale) 12-6; Knutson (Oceana) 12-6.

Discuss—Sheehan (Aragon) 137-8½; Pennel (Los Altos) 134-6½; Smith (Del Mar) 132-2½; Norris (Fremont) 130-3; Littell (Palo Alto) 129-10½.

Broad Jump—Johnson (Pacific Grove) 23-1¼; Washington (Ravenswood) 22-4¾; Gomez (Watsonville) 21-6; Gary (Ayer) 21-5¾; Howard (Del Mar) 21-1½.

Shot Put—Pennel (Los Altos) 51-1; Meri (M-A) 49-11¾; Davie (Ravenswood) 49-11¼; Sheehan (Aragon) 49-8¾; Larry (Monterey) 48-6¼.

Relay—Carlmont 44.8; Woodside 44.9; Ayer and Watsonville tied in 45.3; Monterey 45.7.

TEAM SCORING

Ravenswood 32, Carlmont 26, Pacific Grove 24, Woodside 18, San Mateo 16½; Watsonville 13½; Los Altos 13, Aragon 11, Cubberley 9; Carmel 8, Menlo-Atherton 8, Fremont 7½; Sunnyvale 6½; Ayer 6½; Newark 5, Burlingame 5, Del Mar 4, Westmoor 4, Lick 3, Saratoga 3, Terra Nova 3, Jefferson 2, Oceana 1½; Campbell 1, Los Gatos 1, Palo Alto 1.

"I've just got to make up my mind to do it," he stated simply. Ryan had beaten the lanky Hillsdale runner in previous meetings, chief of which was in the indoor Golden Gate Invitational meet at the Cow Palace in February.

But Saturday, Likens got his lead Division II runners into the North Coast Section meet at Pittsburgh Saturday.

Teams from the tough North Santa Clara Valley League led the meet at King City, as everyone expected.

Monterey won the varsity title with 29 points in the meet that saw more than 30 teams compete.

Likens' first place gave Hillsdale all of its eight points, the highest total accumulated by any local Peninsula team.

Carlmont also scored eight points, off the third-place finish of Jack Sandin in the half mile and sprinter Andy Sears, respectively fifth and second in the 100 and 220.

Teall Messer of Woodside beat Sandin for the third time in two weeks with a 1:59.3 clocking, which was three seconds under his previous best this year and only good for a second place.

Larry Vincent of Terra Nova finished second to Likens in the mile with a 4:26.7 timing while Jim McNutt of San Carlos ran a 4:28.0 for fourth in the same event.

Aragon, runnerup to Hillsdale for MPL track honors, tallied seven points on fifth places in the high jump, where Max Nevarez leaped 6-0¼, the shot put, where Cliff Clidden got off a 56-5¼ toss, and on Jack McLesky's 13-6 effort in the pole vault which was second only to Phil Fosdick of Andrew Hills who won the event at 13-11.

In the Class B division, Ravenswood won the team title as Peninsula schools dominated the team scoring. Carlmont was second with 26, Woodside fourth and San Mateo fifth.

Other good performances by local athletes in the varsity meet included Sequoia sprinter Bill Johnson who ran a 50.3 in the 440 and finished fourth in the 220; Ravenswood's Elton Harrison, second in the low hurdles in 20 seconds flat and fourth in broad jump with a 22-3¼ leap.

The top five in each event qualified for Saturday's NCS meet their last stepping stone to the State Meet which will be held at Berkeley, May 31-June 1.

MPL's Spikers Advance

By BILL POINDEXTER

A disappointing number of participants, poor reactions to the pressures of top competition, and an inspired come-through by Hillsdale's senior miler, Ralph Likens, highlighted the North Coast Section Division II track meet at King City.

The determined Likens willed his way to a revenge win in the mile over his arch-rival, super sophomore Mike Ryan of Wilcox, clocking the winning time of 4:23.6. Terra Nova's Dan Vincent also slipped past Ryan, finishing second in 4:26.7. Likens victory avenged an earlier loss at Ryan's hands, in the Golden Gate Invitational meet.

RALPH'S win furnished the only points scored by Hillsdale in the entire meet. Monterey won varsity honors with 29 points, Hillsdale had 8 on Likens victory.

Hillsdale coach Plato Yanicks blamed the failure of other potential qualifiers to place on poor mental attitudes, and unfavorable reactions to the pressure encountered when in top-flight competition.

Aragon was the only other Mid-Peninsula League school to place in varsity competition. Bill Larson's Dons tallied seven points. Pole vaulter Jack McLeskey accounted for five of these points, finishing second in the pole vault with a height of 13-6. His best is 13-9. Andrew Hill's Phil Fosdick defeated Jack at King City with a mark of 13-11.

Other placers from Aragon were Cliff Glidden (56-5³/₄) and Max Nevarez (6-0¹/₄), who took fifth places in the shot put and high jump, respectively. Dons tallied 7 total points.

The four qualifiers from the Mid-Peninsula League travel to Pittsburg this Friday for N.C.S. Finals, and those who "survive" there go on to the state meet at Berkeley, June 1.

IN LIGHTWEIGHT competition, Burlingame's Mike Jacobs turned in a very strong performance, clocking 1:24 flat in the 660, good enough for second place.

Steve Smith of San Mateo raced to a 13.3 win in the 120 low hurdles, while teammate Joe Caines hit the tape fourth in 13.8.

SAN MATEO'S Brent Thompson pole vaulted 12-11³/₄

Likens, Top Aragon Trio Eye NCS Track Laurels

Mid-Peninsula League's "few" survivors travel to Pittsburg (Calif.) tomorrow for the North Coast Section track and field finals.

Only five MPL varsity mainstays qualified at King City, with Hillsdale's Ralph Likens' 4:23.5 mile setting the pace.

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MIKE JACOBS

Aragon tomorrow sends pole vaulter Jack McLeskey, shot-putter Cliff Glidden and high-jumper Max Nevarez, while San Mateo goes with varsity's Bobby Pollack and light-weights Joe Caines and Petie Smith. Burlingame 660 runner Mike Jacobs, second to Woodside's Brian Hea at King City, is a strong contender for B Division honors.

MPL tracksters didn't fare too well in the trials. Biggest disappointment was failure of Capuchino's 100 and 440 mainstay, Dan Kriedt, to make the trip.

Serra qualified half-miler Joe Scalmanini, miler Ray Fragulia and 440 runner Paul O'Connor.

27 area preps in NCS track

KING CITY—The Midpeninsula will send a powerful 27-man contingent of athletes to the North Coast section track and field finals this Saturday at Pittsburg High School.

They qualified by placing in the NCS II meet here Saturday. Monterey High School took the team title with 29 points but Santa Clara Valley Athletic League teams grabbed four of the next five spots.

Los Altos was second with 21 points—most of them coming from first places by Steve Coy in the broad jump (22-5) and Paul Graham in the half mile (1:58.8).

There was one double winner in the meet. Tom Gibbons of Campbell took the hurdles races.

This could be the last week of blue ribbons for Gibbons. This week at Pittsburg he'll run against opposition that is considerably better.

Other winners at King City will have a better chance for a first place in the NCS finals, most notably shot-putter Bruce Wilhelm of Fremont, pole vaulter Bill Fosdick of Hill, and discus throwers Burt Marks of Leigh, Chuck Smart of Los Altos and Wilhelm.

Wilhelm won the shot with a heave of 62-6½, a couple feet farther than anyone else around here has thrown. He also placed second in the discus.

Fosdick had to clear 13-11 to beat Cubberley's Jim Eshelman in the pole vault. Both have cleared 14-1 this season. So stiff was the vault competition, that it took a leap of 13-3 to even qualify for the NCS finals.

The best the South Peninsula Athletic League athletes could do was a flock of second places. Besides Eshelman's, the others went to Teal Messer of Woodside in the 880, Andy Sears of Carmont in the 220, Elton Harrison of Ravenswood in the low hurdles, and Bruce Kentera of Cubberley in the high jump.

Bill Johnson of Sequoia provided a minor surprise by taking a third in the quarter mile and a fourth in the 220.

The closest competition of the entire meet was in the broad jump where Coy won on his last attempt. He edged out John Wright and Bill Carrillio of Monterey, both of whom were only a quarter inch behind.

Ravenswood upheld SPAL prestige by winning the Class B title with 32 points. Place winners for the Trojans were Dwight Turner with firsts in the high jump (5-10¾) and the high hurdles (9.1), and second in the low hurdles, Ed Davie third in the shot put with a school record throw of 49-11, second in the broad jump at 22-5.

Johnny Johnson, a freshman from Pacific Grove, was the individual star of the meet. He took three firsts—the 75 and 150-yard dashes and the broad jump. He reached 23-1 in the latter event.

Other Midpeninsula winners in Class B were Brian Hea of Woodside in the 660 (1:23.8), Mike McCann of Carmont in the 1320 (3:16.8), Vic Wekiewicz of Cubberley in the pole vault (13-2) and Terry Pennell of Los Altos in the shot put.

The results:

120 yard high hurdles—T. Gibbons (Camp), Nelson (NSal), B. Gibbons (Camp), Dunlap (DM), Rose (NSal), 14.9.
880-yard run—Graham (LA), Messer (Wood), Gould (Sal), Sandin (Carl), Whitehead (Hill), 1:58.8.

1/2 mile—Likens (Hills), Vincent (Terrero), Ryan (Wil), McNuff (SCar), Bieoe (Buch), 4:23.6.

Low hurdles—T. Gibbons (Camp), Harrison (R), Cabading (Wat), Nelson (NSal), Dunlap (DM), 19.9.

Shot-put—Wilhelm (Fre), Brannan (LG), Marks (Leigh), Fors (LA), Glidden (Ara), 62-6½.

Discus—Marks (Leigh), Wilhelm (Fre), Smart (LA), Reed (Mont), Brannan (LC), 173-6.

220-yard dash—Figueroa (Sun), Sears (Carl), Richards (Wat), Johnson (Seq), Penilli (West), 21.7.

100-yard dash—Haas (Soq), Figueroa (Sun), Crivillio (Mont), La Vigne (Ayer), Sears (Carl), 9.9.

High jump—Reed (Mont), Kentera (Cubb), Chambers (MA), Hines (Fre), Navarez (Ara), 6-2¼.

Broad jump—Coy (LA), Carrillio (Mont) and Wright (Mont) tied, Harrison (R), Mahan (Fre), 22-5.

Pole vault—Fosdick (Hill), Eshelman (Cubb) and McCluskey (Ara) tied, Cox (NSal) and Barkley (PA), 13-11.

440-yard dash—Richards (Wat), Duran (Cup), Johnson (Seq), Haas (Soq), McClory (Over), 50.1.

Relay—Monterey, Buchser, Soquel, Watsonville, Palma, 1:32.8.

Team scoring—Monterey 29, Los Altos 21, Campbell 19, Watsonville 16, Fremont 16, Sunnyvale 13, Soquel 13, Leigh 11, North Salinas 9½, Hill 8½, Carmont 8, Cubberley 8, Ravenswood 7, Woodside 5, Cupertino 5, Sequoia 5, Menlo-Atherton 3, Palo Alto 1½.