

# Columbus Grove Wins Third Straight Putnam County Track and Field Championship

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The Columbus Grove thinclads won their third straight Putnam County Track and Field title at Pandora last Friday afternoon. Columbus Grove racked up 73 points while Pandora-Gilboa was second with 60. Ottawa Public and Leipsic tied with 35 each, Glandorf tallied 10 and Continental 9.

Tom Reichenbach of Pandora-Gilboa set a new record in the pole vault with a leap of 10'3 1/8". He beat his own record of 10'2 5/8" that he had set a year ago.

**This was not true. The PCL record in 1953 for the pole vault was set in 1928 by Selwynn Judson of Leipsic with a leap of 10'3 3/4".**

Columbus Grove's half mile relay team also broke a record it set a year ago. The new record is 1:38.6 which is nine-tenths of a second faster than their old time. The team is composed of Jim Begg, Ken Altstaetter and Glenn Kidd.

KIDD EQUALLED his own record of 16.7 seconds in the 120 yard high hurdles which he set a year ago.

**This was not true. The PCL record in 1953 for the high hurdles was set in 1926 by Everett Seitz of Ottawa with a time of 14.60.**

He also tied his low hurdle mark of 22.3 seconds which he set in 1952.

**This was not true. His time of 22.3 tied Nolan Dunlap of Columbus Grove who ran it in 1951.**

Bud Smith of Ottawa Public was the high individual point winner of the meet. Smith won the 220 yard dash, was second in the broad jump and discus and third in the shot putt. He amassed a total of 16 points.

Points were awarded as follows: five for first, four for second, three for third and two for fifth.

Grove's Kidd was right on the Smith's tail with 15 points. He won both hurdle events and the broad jump. He was also a member of the winning Grove half mile relay team.

## SUMMARY

Columbus Grove 73, Pandora-Gilboa 60, Ottawa Public 35, Leipsic 35, Glandorf 10 and Continental 9.

SHOT PUT - Carl Maag (Leipsic) 39'0"  
DISCUS - Bill Roberts (Ottawa Public) 114'4"  
HIGH JUMP - Don Schneck (PG) 5'3"  
BROAD JUMP - Glenn Kidd (CG) 19'4"  
POLE VAULT - Tom Reichenbach (PG) 10'3 1/8"  
120 HIGH HURDLES - Glenn Kidd (CG) 16.7  
\*TR 180 YARD LOW HURDLES - Glenn Kidd (CG) 22.3  
100 YARD DASH - Larry Johnson (Leipsic) 10.9  
220 YARD DASH - Bud Smith (Ottawa Pub) 24.2  
440 YARD DASH - Snyder (Ottawa Public) 57.4  
880 YARD RUN - Alan Gratz (PG) 2:15.5  
MILE RUN - Bill Warren (Leipsic) 4:52.0  
\*NR HALF MILE RELAY - Jack Siefker, Jim Begg, Ken Altstaetter and Glenn Kidd, (CG) 1:38.6  
MILE RELAY - (PG) 3:56