

Bulldogs Win Seven Events to Regain County Track Crown

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The Putnam County Track and Field Meet at Pandora last Friday afternoon and evening finished in about the order it was expected to, but an expected close battle did not develop as Columbus Grove completely dominated the meet to capture its seventh title in the last eight years.

The Bulldogs won seven of the 14 events to ring up 87 points. Defending champion Pandora-Gilboa finished second with 65 points and Continental third with 25 1/3. Behind them were Glandorf with 21, Leipsic with 13 2/3 and Ottawa Public and Vaughnsville with four each.

Only seven of the 12 high schools in the county competed.

Bill Rodenberger paced the Bulldogs by winning two events and anchoring the victorious mile and half mile Grove relay teams.

THE BULLDOG mile relay squad set the only new meet record by tearing off a 3:45.5 mark to eclipse the old standard by two and one half seconds.

Grove's Barry Eversole came close to setting another record when he missed the pole vault mark by one half inch.

He took that event with a 10'3 1/4" effort.

Rodenberger captured the broad jump and the 100 yard dash for his double victories. He also teamed with Eversole, Jim Nance and Alton Kiene in setting the mile relay record and joined Octavio Cruz, Thomas and his brother Larry in the half mile relay.

Dave Burkholder of Pandora-Gilboa was the meet's only other double winner. He won the discus and the low hurdles.

Grove and Pandora both scored in every event.

SUMMARY

Columbus Grove 87, Pandora-Gilboa 65, Continental 25 1/3, Glandorf 21, Leipsic 13 2/3, Ottawa Public 4 and Vaughnsville 4.

SHOT PUT, Bill Wortkoetter, Glandorf, 41'11 1/2".

DISCUS, Dave Burkholder, P-G, 112'2".

BROAD JUMP, Bill Rodenberger, CG, 20'2".

HIGH JUMP, Melvin Nienberg, Glandorf, 5'4 3/4".

POLE VAULT, Barry Eversole, CG, 10'3 1/4".

120 YARD HIGH HURDLES, Octovio Cruz, CG, 16.8.

180 YD. LOW HURDLES, Dave Burkholder, P-G, 22.3.

100 YARD DASH, Bill Rodenberger, CG, 10.9.

220 YARD DASH, Bob Anderson, PG, 24.6.

440 YARD DASH, Larry Rigel, Leipsic, 54.6.

HALF MILE RUN, Bob Taylor, Continental, 2:08.8.

MILE RUN, Douglas Nance, CG, 4:57.

HALF MILE RELAY, Bill Rodenberger, Octovio Cruz, Bill Thomas, Larry Rodenberger, CG, 1:40.

*NR MILE RELAY, Bill Rodenberger, Barry Eversole, Jim Nance and Alton Kiene of CG, 3:45.5.