

Grove Again Putnam Track Champs

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Columbus Grove Bulldogs gave evidence of their return to dominance of Putnam County track circles Tuesday when they swept to the championship of the Putnam County Meet.

Grove won eight of the 15 events and piled up 92 points for the county title. Pandora-Gilboa ran second with 73, Leipsic was third with 49, Continental fourth with 14 and Ft. Jennings fifth with 9. (FJ entered only nine events.)

Ottawa-Glandorf, champions the past two years, did not enter the meet. Columbus Grove had won the county title five of the six years before the Titans took over in 1965, and 12 of the previous 14 years.

The meet was originally scheduled at Pandora but was moved to Columbus Grove because of a rain drenched track at Pandora. The Grove track was quite soggy, and because of that and a chilling wind no new county meet records were set, marking the first time in a number of years that none of the old standards was touched.

RUNNERS CAME close to the records in three races, but no one even came close in the field events. Ted Doty of Columbus Grove was .4 second off the mark in winning the 100 yard dash in the time of 10.2 seconds and teammate Phil Lawrence just missed both hurdle races.

Lawrence won the low hurdles in 16.15 seconds, which was .45 seconds slower

than the record and the high hurdles in 21.6 seconds, which was .1 second off the mark.

There were four double winners. Doty took both the 100 and 220 yard dashes, and also anchored the winning 880 yard relay team for Grove. Lawrence took both hurdles and also fifth place in the pole vault.

Don Bucher of Pandora-Gilboa won the mile and half mile runs, Leipsic's Greg MacDonald won the 440 and the long jump, and he anchored the winning mile relay squad.

Grove took eight firsts, Pandora-Gilboa and Leipsic three each and Ft. Jennings one.

SUMMARY

Columbus Grove 92, Pandora-Gilboa 73, Leipsic 49, Continental 14 and Ft. Jennings 9.

SHOT PUT, Randy Basinger, P-G, 43'11".
DISCUS, Terry Callahan, CG, 114'7".
HIGH JUMP, Mike Nichols, CG, 5'6".
LONG JUMP, Greg MacDonald, Leipsic, 18'11".
POLE VAULT, Bob Baxter, CG, 10'6".
120 YARD HIGH HURDLES, Phil Lawrence, CG, 16.15.
180 YARD LOW HURDLES, Phil Lawrence, CG, 21.6.
100 YARD DASH, Ted Doty, CG, 10.6.
220 YARD DASH, Ted Doty, CG, 23.4.
440 YARD DASH, Greg MacDonald, Leipsic, 54.8.
880 YARD RUN, Don Bucher, P-G, 2:10.1.
MILE RUN, Don Bucher, P-G, 4:50.1.
TWO MILE RUN, Ben Norbeck, FJ, 11:20.5.
880 YARD RELAY, Greg Miller, Tim Basinger, Mike Zimmerly and Ted Doty, CG, 1:39.8.
MILE RELAY, Reagan Foley, Duane Schey, Ron Crosby and Greg MacDonald, Leipsic, 3:48.0.