Rapp leads way for No. 1 Knights in Newark meet

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With each cross country invitational, McQuaid Coach Bob Bradley learns a bit more about his team.

He learned two things in yesterday's Newark Invitational at Stuart Park. His squad is the class team of Western New York and more than one of his runners has the capability to finish first in a meet, invitational or dual.

McQuaid, ranked first in the New York State Sports Writers Association poll, defeated fifth-ranked Brighton in the boys' Division 1 race. The Knights totaled 35 points to 46 points for Brighton. Fairport was third with 143 and defending state champion Clarence of Section was fourth 148.

Steve Rapp of McQuaid finished first in 16:44, winning his first race ever. Rapp and Tim Heinle of Brighton ran together during the half-mile, each taking turns in the lead. But Rapp finally pulled ahead to win by 15 yards, covering the 5,000-meter course in 16:44. Heinle's time was 16:48.

"It's good to know that our runners can swap places," said Bradley. "That was a great duel over the last half-mile.

"The team competition was close,

and so were the individual races," Bradley added.

Rapp defeated teammate Chris Lyboldt for the first time in any meet. Lyboldt finished third in 16:51, edging Phil Levinson of Brighton, who was fourth in 16:53.

After Levinson the competition remained close as Terry Dutton of Irondequoit finished fifth in 16:58 and Rob Smillie of McQuaid finished sixth in 17:00. McQuaid had two more finishers in the top 15—Brian Mack 10th in 17:16 and David Warth 15th in 17:34.

Brighton's third runner was Brett Yost, who finished ninth in 17:16. The Barons' fourth runner, Paul Hutchinson, was 14th in 17:32.

Section 5 schools and runners continued their success in the girls' Division 1 race, where Brighton finished first in team scoring with 31, defeating Section 6 power Clarence. Clarence totaled 49 points. Fairport was third with 108 and Spencerport fourth with 147.

Brighton's Stacy Prey finished first in 18:48. It was the first time Prey has run cross country. Teammate Jody Dushay scored a victory of sorts, finishing second in 19:25, ahead of Clarence's Mary Pat Hickey. Dushay defeated Hickey for the first time in cross country.

Jennifer Shaver of Brighton was fourth in 20:03, Kim Trawitz of Fairport was fifth in 20:06 and Rachel Korn of Penfield was sixth in 20:23. Hilton won the boys' division 2 race, posting 43 points. Victor was runner-up with 66 and Pittsford was third with 77.

Tris Snyder of Pittsford won the race in 17:18 and Al Mullan of Hilton was second in 17:37. Brett Layburn of Jamesville-DeWitt (Section 3) was third with 17:38.

Victor runners won the next three spots — Bob Bagley was fourth in 17:40, Scott Knapp fifth in 17:41 and Ben Wiley sixth in 17:55.

Tim Wallace of Hilton finished seventh. The Cadets had three more runners in the top 15. Jeff Merkel finished 10th, Scott Young 11th and Doug Staunton 13th.

Hannibal of Section 4 won the Division 3 team title with 92 points. Perennial state small-school power Onondaga won the Division 4 team title with 19 points, and it won the girls' Division 2 race with 68.

In a girls' meet in Buffalo, Greece Olympia's Julie Lovell finished fifth in the East Aurora Invitational. Her time was 20:02 over a three-mile course.

In the boys' race, Greece Olympia was fifth in team scoring, totaling 139 points. McQuaid's B team was third with 101. East Aurora finished first with 32 and Williamsville North was second with 73.

Greece Olympia's top finisher was Bruce Gaynor, who finished 21st. Ron Markezich of Williamsville North won the race in 15:21, a course record.

HIGH SCHOOLS

Yesterday
BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY
Newark Invitational
At Stuart Park
Boys
Division 1

McQuaid 35, Brighton 46, Fairport 143, Clarence 148, Penfield 152, Irondequoit 200, Churchville 200, Webster 206, Gates Chili 227, Spencerport 227, East 320.

Individual (5,000-meter course)

1. Steve Rapp (McQuaid) 16:44; 2. Tim Heinle (Brighton) 16:48; 3. Chris Lyboldt (McQuaid) 16:51; 4. Phil Levinson (Brighton) 16:53; 5. Terry Dutton (Iron) 16:58; 6. Rob Smillie (MCQ) 17:00; 7. Bob King (Church) 17:04; 8. Ed Cichon (RH) 17:12; 9. Brett Yost (Bri) 17:16; 10. Brian Mack (McQ) 17:16; 11. Brad Solarek (Fair) 17:19; 12. Mike Locastro (Fulton) 17:27; 13. Dennis Webster (Clarence) 17:28; 14. Paul Hutchinson (Bri) 17:32; 15. David Warth (McQ) 17:34.

Team

Hilton 43, Victor 66, Pittsford 77, Canandaigua 122, Aquinas 148, Mooney 156, Bishop Kearney 183, Greece Athena 206, Wayne 252, Batavia 257, Eastridge 316, Arcadia 326.

Individual

1. Tris Snyder (Pittsford) 17:18; 2. Al Mul-Jan (Hilton) 17:37; 3. Brett Layburn (Jamesville-DeWith) 17:38; 4. Bob Bagley (V) 17:40; 5. Scott Knapp (V) 17:41; 6. Ben Wiley (V) 17:55; 7. Tim Wallace (Hil) 17:56; 8. John McCoy (Pitt) 18:05; 9. John Bricker (Canandaigua) 18:07; 10. Jeff Merkel (Hilton) 18:10; 11. Scott Young (Hilton) 18:12; 12. Paul Winslow (Can) 18:12; 13. Doug Staunton (Hilton) 18:18; 14. Gordon Malthaner (AQ) 18:19; 15. Jeff Lowenguth (BK) 18:19.

Team

Hannibal 92, Penn Yan 95, Sodus 140, Dansville 140, East Rochester 170, Bath 189, HF-Lima 219, Attica 234, Mynderse 257, NR-Wolcott 298, Monroe 299, Geneva 325, Palmyra-Macedon 330.

Individual

1. Mike Hayes (Bath) 17:08; 2. Dave Redding (Dansville) 17:18:3. Doug Schneider (PY) 17:43; 4. Rob Hussey (Dansville) 17:53; 5. Xawier Olabarrieta (Sodus) 17:59; 6. Chris Gesquire (Hannibal) 18:02; 7. Dave Admiraal (Newark) 18:05; 8. Chris Osborne (Sodus) 18:05; 9. Brian Zimmerman (Newark) 18:07; 10. Bill Scott (Hannibal) 18:08; 11. Larry Harrison (NR-Wolcot) 18:22; 12. Juan Estrella (Marshall) 18:25; 13. John Soper (PY) 18:26; 14. Dan Stenta (Bath) 18:34; 15. Dave Ross (Waterloo) 18:38.

Team

Onondaga 19, Allegany 65, Wayland 159, York 162, Harley-Allendale-Columbia 184, South Seneca 204, Newfane 207, Pembroke 208, Oakfield-Alabama 223, Lyons 227, Caledonia-Mumford 291, Keshequa 296, Weedsport 306, Alexander 366, Pavilion 389, Cuba 416.

Individual

1. Rob Wight (Onon) 17:12; 2. Kevin Van Boden (Onon) 17:21; 3. Vinnie Loffredo (Onon) 17:25; 4. Andy Maltese (Weeds) 17:34; 5. Steve Schultz (York) 17:39; 6. Tom Boughton (Onon) 17:43; 7. Dave Boughton (Onon) 17:47; 8. Sean Drake (All) 17:50; 9. Mike Drake (All) 17:55; 10. Scott Dodge (York) 18:04; 11. Don Kent (S. Seneca) 18:09; 12. Tim O'Brien (All) 18:15; 13. Jerry LaBell (Wayland) 18:18; 14. Chris Latham (Onon) 18:20; 15. Jack Frey (All) 18:25.