

# Record-breaking day for Section 5 track during the heat at Aquinas Relays

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• Brighton's Nick Tslibes, Brett Yost, Mark Engerman and Tim Heinle in the 6,400 relay (18:15.3).

• Aquinas' Wayne Romano, Steve Woodard and Tim Kreuzer in the discus relay (409-1).

• Gates-Chili's Mike Lacey in the high jump (6-2).

"You don't have to go very far this time of year to find good competition," said meet director Tom Gigliotti, whose Aquinas team placed fourth. "This is a big-time meet."

East established that with a national-caliber performance in the 400 relay.

It was the first time this outdoor season the four had run together. Terry Richards, LaVonne's twin brother, had been sidelined by a kidney problem since opening day.

"We went 43-flat last week without Terry," said Burke. "We knew we could go :42. He gives us more speed and more experience."

"Those last three legs have been together for four years. We've got our handoffs down ... we can do

it in the dark."

In Terry Richards' first race back, East broke its year-old Section 5 mark of :42.9 with a time of :42.3 in a preliminary heat. In the semifinals, Terry dropped a hand-off from lead-off man Dunbar, but they still rallied to win in :43.2.

East then lowered its time to :41.8 in the final — winning by more than one second over Syracuse Corcoran.

"I'm really happy for them," said East Coach Jeff Slack. "They wanted that record, but Terry got hurt and they didn't have a chance to run together."

Arthur, a senior, set his meet record about an hour after most of the teams and spectators had departed, including his older brother, Chip, a former state indoor pole vault champion.

"I practice by myself, so I'm used to jumping with nobody around," said Arthur, whose record was witnessed by about 20 spectators, including his father, Charles.

"I was going for the record," said Arthur, whose nose started bleeding after his record-breaking vault.

"I wanted the name Arthur on the (record) board."

He broke a three-year-old meet record held by 1982 Geneva graduate Bill Riker.

Martin Ellis had the day's best long jump — 21-7½ — while leading R-H to a first-place finish in that relay. It was his first attempt at a long jump since injuring his left ankle in the first meet of the season.

Ellis ran a :14.4 anchor leg in the shuttle hurdles and a :49.8

leadoff leg that put his team ahead in the 1,600 relay. However, McQuaid passed R-H as Greg Ellis handed off to Southall.

"I could see the McQuaid runner going out on a dead sprint," said Southall, who ran a :48.8 anchor 400. "So I decided to stay behind him. Then on the backstretch I just tried to kick it out. I wasn't worried about the (Section 5) record. I just wanted to win."

R-H did just that — by four seconds.

gotten the nine-page story by Steve Wulf that chronicled, among other events, O'Grady's trips to Tour qualifying school. But O'Grady insisted he had wronged, and sent golf writers across the country scrambling for copies of the article.

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