

Ruling costs Los Altos SCVAL title Cupertino track champ

The Santa Clara Valley Athletic League track and field championships rode to an emotional roller coaster finish Saturday night.

And it was host Cupertino which finally emerged with the best ride, even though defending champion Los Altos preempted the Pioneers' 104-94½ victory celebration.

Los Altos apparently had won the meet—104½ to 104—with a clutch, come-from-behind triumph in the night's last event, the mile relay.

But anchorman Doug Hill, who flashed from far back to win going away, was ruled to have stepped over the back line of the passing zone prior to the final exchange and Los Altos was disqualified.

Then came the Pioneer victory party.

It was Cupertino's first SCVAL crown. Los Altos was seeking No. 14 in 16 years.

While the Pioneers' final winning margin came on a technicality, it was their simply amazing prowess afield which earned the championship.

They piled up 64 of their total points in the field events, with 56 coming in the jumps.

Mark Thorp and Kevin McCarthy traded one-two finishes in the long and triple jumps respectively, and led by Bob Lema's meet record 6-6¼, pioneers placed one-three-four in the high jump.

Thorp added a second in the 100 yard dash to personally account for 26 points.

Cupertino's second place time of 3:28.1 in the mile relay—which became the winning mark—set a school record.

Hill and distance ace Jeff Norton were outstanding for Los Altos and were the meet's only double winners. Hill took the sprints in 10.0 and 22.2

and Norton the mile and two-mile with times of 4:19.7 and 9:26.1.

Next action for SCVAL speakers is this Saturday in the Region II meet at College of San Mateo. Top five finishers there qualify to the Central Coast Section finals the following week.

VARSITY

440 relay—Los Altos 43.3, Mountain View 44.0, Lynbrook 44.1, Buchser 44.2, Homestead 44.6, Monta Vista 45.6.

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120HH—Rodrigues (H) 14.7, Napier (L) 15.0, Milledbrandt (C) 15.1, McDaniel (LA) 15.3, Finely (C) 15.4, Sung (A) 15.9.

100—Hill (LA) 10.0, Thorp (C) 10.1, Jackle (LA) 10.2, Marcki (C) 10.2, Saufley (A) 10.2, Imperato (SC) 10.5.

440—Sirila (B) 48.8, Villareal (MView) 48.9, Young (B) 50.2, Fernandez (H) 51.7, Kelly (L) 50.8, Kronz (F) 50.9.

220—Hill (LA) 22.2, Villareal (MView) 22.4, Sirrail (B) 22.5, Grayson (C) 22.8, Imperato (SC) 22.9, Lizardo (S) 22.9.

Mile—Norton (LA) 4:19.7, Rios (W) 4:20.2, Kennedy (L) 4:21.2, Charness (A) 4:24.2, Fredrickson (H) 4:24.4, Stuart (L) 4:24.9.

180LH—Napier (L) 19.7, Rodrigues (H) 19.8, Milledbrandt (C) 19.8, Jackle (LA) 19.8, Finely (C) 19.8, McDaniel (LA) 20.2.

2 mile—Norton (LA) 9:26.1, Charness (A) 9:28.2, Kennedy (L) 9:30.0, Church (H) 9:34.3, Rios (W) 9:35.1, Schumaker (A) 9:35.8.

Mile relay—Cupertino 3:28.1, Lynbrook 3:29.2, Buchser 3:30.4, Homestead 3:29.6, Fremont 3:33.4, Wilcox 3:35.5, Los Altos disqualified.

SP — Pushin (LA) 54-1¼, McGown (F) 53-7, Rossi (LA) 53¾, Dardis (C) 52-10½, Allen (L) 52-1, Lowe (A) 51-8¾.

D—Allen (L) 179-3, McGowne (F) 175-9½, Pushkin (LA) 167-5½, Upnot (F) 161-9½, Lowe (A) 156-9, Scheff (L) 154-2.

LJ—Thorp (C) 23-7, McCarthy (C) 23-6, Marcki (B) 22-2, Roberts (A) 22-0, Clark (LA) 21-10, Larson (L) 21-3.

TJ—McCarthy (C) 47-9, Thorp (C) 47-8, Napier (L) 46-3½, Redington (A) 45-5, Coffee (B) 45-4, Chestnut (LA) 44-9¾.

HJ—Lema (C) 6-6 mr, Roysten (F) 6-4, Roberts (C) 6-4, Insley (C) 6-2, Efting (A) 6-0, Gebhart (LA) 6-0.

PV—Hintz (B) 15-0 ½mr, Bell (L) 13-0, Linn (B) 13-0, Jordan (C) 13-0, Lopez (LA) 13-0; tie, Berg (LA) and Montagne (L) 12-6.

TEAM SCORES: Cupertino 106, Los Altos 94½, Lynbrook 83½, Buchser 70, Homestead 38, Fremont 31, Awalt 25, Mountain View 24, Wilcox 11, Monta Vista 9, Santa Clara 3, Sunnyvale 1.

FROSH-SOPH

440 relay—Peterson 45.3, Homestead 45.4, Los Altos 45.7, Wilcox 46.1, Cupertino 46.2, Fremont 46.2, Lynbrook 46.2.

880—Davis (W) 2:01.0, Parlet (H) 2:01.2, Vargas (S) 2:02.6, Winger (F) 2:03.0, Steel (L) 2:03.9, Prammann (LA) 2:04.5, Gate (L) 2:05.4.

70HH—Perrin (H) 9.3, Pecota (P) 9.4, Hayden (B) 9.6, Halliday (A) 9.6, Carrico (F) 9.7, Reedy (P) 9.9, Hagen (A) 10.1.

100—Moretta (P) 10.5, Nuwer (P) 10.5, Lloyd (P) 10.5, Peterson (H) 10.5, Andrus (L) 10.6, Natwick (LA) 10.6, Schneider (L) 10.7.

440—Lloyd (P) 51.5, Medeiros (C) 52.2, Parlet (H) 52.3, Davis (W) 52.5, Gate (L) 53.4, Merek (LA) 53.7, Beck (A) 53.8.

220—Bryant (W) 23.3, Nuwer (P) 23.3, Peterson (H) 23.5, Andrus (L) 23.6, Schneider (L) 23.7, Bree (P) 24.0, Natwick (LA) 24.0.

Mile—Nulburd (L) 4:38.8, Brazil (W) 4:39.4, Fernandez (H) 4:40.3, Hairline (L) 4:44.2, Fonda (A) 4:45.7, Funk (H) 4:47.0, Cowpenwaite (F) 4:48.9.

180LH—Pecota (P) 21.5, Owen (LA) 21.5, Perrin (H) 21.6, Halliday (A) 22.1, Carrico (F) 22.2, Nelson (C) 22.2, Gonsalves (B) 22.2.

2 mile—Hubbard (L) 9:45, Omer, Allen (LA) 10:08.6, Fernandez (H) 10:14.4, Wright (C) 10:20.3, D'Aguro (LA) 10:21.1, Rock (B) 10:23.3, Carrier (L) 10:24.2.

Mile relay—Wilcox 3:33.5, Homestead 3:38.3, Fremont 3:41.4, Cupertino 3:42.7, Los Altos 3:42.7, Buchser 3:44.7, Monta Vista 3:49.9.

SP—Sackinger (L) 56-5½, Long (LA) 54-4½, Jasinsky (A) 53-10½, Sousa (SC) 52-8, Gouah (H) 51-7¾, Castella (F) 50-0, Pence (H) 48-9½.

D—Bergstreser (L) 150-1½, Jasinsky (A) 148-10½, Long (LA) 142-7, Sousa (SC) 140-4, Pollak (H) 136-0, Norwood (LA) 131-5½, Lowe (LA) 130-3.

LJ—Bryant (W) 20-8¾, Betoli (H) 20-2½, Nirsich (L) 19-9¼, Wise (A) 19-8¼, Hickey (MView) 19-8, Horwitz (F) 19-5½, Demelio (B) 19-5.

TJ—Scott (LA) 42-9, Bertoli (H) 42-1½, Lee (F) 41-9½, Utley (P) 41-6, Giles (H) 41-3, Westrum (L) 41-3, Krewson (B) 40-5½.

HJ—Wise (A) 6-1, new freshman record; Sackinger (L) 6-0, Fine (L) 5-11½, Stolte (A) and Burns (H) tied 5-10, Gruedstrom (F) 5-10, McCarthy (C) 5-10.

PV—Mediras (C) 13-6, Fisher (L) 13-0¼, Johnson (L) 13-0¼, Lopresti (SC) 12-0, Stacy (H) 10-9, Stillier (L) 10-9, Powell (B) 10-9.

SOPH TEAM SCORES: Lynbrook 96, Homestead 93, Peterson 77, Los Altos 57, Wilcox 56, Fremont 37, Cupertino 29, Awalt 24, Santa Clara 13, Buchser 10, Sunnyvale 7, Mountain View 6 and Monta Vista 4.

FRESHMEN TEAM SCORES: Los Altos 101½, Buchser 67½, Awalt 58, Cupertino and Lynbrook 40, Sunnyvale 32, Fremont 30, Peterson 28, Monta Vista 27, Santa Clara and Homestead 23, Wilcox 10, Mountain View 2.

Pioneers nail first

Thorp's 26 points prove big boost

By MIKE CLARK
Courier Sports Writer

CUPERTINO'S MASSIVE STRENGTH in the jumping events proved indomitable Saturday night as the Pioneers upset highly-touted Los Altos to earn their first SCVAL track and field championship ever.

The Pioneers tallied an awesome 106 points to overshadow the Knights' 94½ and Lynbrook's 83½. Buchser finished in fourth place at 70 points while Homestead followed with 38.

Cupertino amassed an unbelievable 60 points in the four field jumping events — the long jump, high jump, triple jump and pole vault — and performed well enough in the sprinting events to annex the elusive league crown that had previously slipped by them.

"WE'VE COME WITHIN a few points of winning the league meet many times in the past," related winning Pioneer mentor Norm Eliason, "but were never able to actually win."

It was senior Mark Thorp, however, that provided Cupertino with the biggest boost. The four-year varsity veteran uncorked a 23-7 in the long jump to win the competition, triple jumped 47-8 for a second place league medal, and blazed a 10.1 in the century for a strong second place finish. His performances accounted for 26 pioneer points.

"It was an unbelievable meet," affirmed Thorp. "We knew going into the meet that we had a chance of winning and that we had to come through in certain events, which we did."

THORP TRACED HIS team's desire to win back to a meeting which took place that Saturday afternoon. A group of the varsity trackmen went over to visit Pioneer shot putter Will Dardis, who was in the hospital because of a hand injury suffered in a wood shop accident on Friday.

"We especially wanted to win the meet for Will," stated Thorp. "He was second place in the trials and was doing just fantastic in practice this week. We were really down when we learned he couldn't compete, but when we went over to see him that afternoon we decided to dedicate the meet to him. It really gave us an emotional lift."

Dardis' put of 52-10 in the trials carried over into the finals and was good enough for a fourth place medal.

KEVIN McCARTHY ALSO provided Cupertino with outstanding performances as he earned second place in the long jump with a leap of 23-6 and came from behind in the triple jump to win at 47-9.

"Kevin really came through for us," noted Eliason, "because we knew we had to go one-two in both the long and triple jump in order to have a chance at winning."

Cupertino's vertical jumping trio brought in the most points for one event with 20 markers. Robert Lema sailed over the 6-6¼ mark in the high jump for a new league standard while Jim Roberts claimed third place at 6-4 and Mark Insley nabbed fourth at 6-4. Lema's jump breaks the nine-year-old record of 6-6 set by Max Lowe of Awalt in 1964.

MIKE JORDAN GAVE the Pioneer's another four points in the field events with a fourth place finish in the pole vault at 13-0.

Mark Mildbrandt earned a pair of third place finishes in the hurdle races, where he clocked a 15.1 in the highs and a 19.8 in the lows, while anchoring the mile relay quartet of Al Grayson, Dave Nolte and Don Finley to a winning 3:28.1 finish.

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Los Altos was the apparent winner in the mile relay but was disqualified because of an exchange foul.

Finley followed Mildbrandt in the hurdle races with a set of fifth place finishes, blazing a 15.4 in the highs and a 19.8 in the lows, while Grayson burned a 22.8 in the furlong for fourth and Nolte paced a lifetime best of 1:57.8 in the 880 to also finish fourth.

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High Jump — Lema (C) 6-6¼ (new Meet record), Royston (F) 6-6, Roberts (C) 6-4, Insley (C) 6-4, Effing (A) 6-0, Gebhardt (LA) 6-0.

Discus — Allen (L) 179-3, McGowen (F) 175-9, Pushkin (LA) 167-5, Upton (F) 161-9, Lowe (A) 156-9, Scheff (L) 154-2.

Long Jump — Thorp (C) 23-7, McCarthy (C) 23-6, Marcki (B) 22-2, Roberts (A) 22-0, Clark (LA) 21-10, Larsen (L) 21-8.

Shot Put — Pushkin (LA) 54-1¾, McGowen (F) 53-7, Rossi (LA) 53-3¾, Dardis (C) 52-10, Allen (L) 52-1, Lowe (A) 51-8.

Triple Jump — McCarthy (C) 47-9, Thorp (C) 47-8, Napier (L) 46-3, Redington (H) 45-5, Coffee (LA) 45-4, Chestnut (LA) 44-9.

SPORTS



Lou Lucia, Editor



Cupertino's Al Grayson is shown taking a hand-off from Dave Nolte in the mile relay event. The Pioneers won the relay in 3:28.1 for valuable points as Cupertino won its first ever league meet.

Track stars need funds

CUPERTINO high school's outstanding trackmen Mark Thorp and Kevin McCarthy have been invited to compete in the All-American Games on June 9 at Drake university in Iowa.

Competitors in the meet are the top eight athletes in each event in the nation.

While the All-American Games committee will pay expenses while the pair are in Iowa, Thorp and McCarthy must pay their own transportation.

Approximately \$300 to \$500 is needed and persons interested in donating may contact Cupertino Coach Norm Eliason, 252-7500.

TWO PLACES

Kevin McCarthy won the triple jump at 47-9 and was second in the long jump at 23-6 at the 1973 SCVAL track and field championships.