

## SUMMER TRACK

# Roadrunners qualify 14 for regional meet

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**RALEIGH** — The Winston-Salem Roadrunners qualified 14 individuals and 10 relay teams for regional competition in the TAC Junior Olympics State Track and Field Championships held last weekend.

Competing at the Paul Derr Track on the campus of North Carolina State University, the Roadrunners had 14 different individuals finish in the top four in their event, allowing them to advance to the Region III Meet, July 10-11 at the same site.

In the bantam girls, Tawauna Dubose finished third in the 100-meter dash and fourth in the 200. The bantam girls 4x100 B-relay team took third with a time of 1:06.31. The A team was fourth, with a 1:06.47.

In the midget girls division, Christina Frye was fourth in the 100 and third in the 200. Nikki Webster took fourth in the 400, while Ajila Thomas was fourth in the 200.

For the midget boys, Hamilton Cuthrell was third in the 200 and the 4x100 relay team took second with a time of 55.66.

Kenya Turner led the youth girls by winning the 100-meter dash in 13.0 seconds. She was third in the 200 as well. The youth girls 4x100 relay combination was third with a time of 53.76, and the mile relay team took fourth with a 4:50.0.

Clarence Edwards highlighted the youth boys group by qualifying in three sprinting events. He finished third in the 100 and 200-meter dashes, while finishing second in the 400. The 400 relay team brought home third with a 50.04, while the mile relay was second with a 4:27.0.

Jerri Woods, a freshman standout at West Forsyth, paced the intermediate girls, by winning the 100 with a 12.88 and finishing se-

cond in the 200. With a time of 26.23, she missed winning the 200 by a mere hundredth of a second. Monte Jackson qualified in the 100 and 200 by finishing fourth in each. The 400 relay finished fourth with a 51.19, while the mile relay team won uncontested, with a 5:15.0.

Delano Barnes won the young men's high jump, while Marcus Sutton took second in the triple jump. Rodney Cooper was runner-up in the long jump and James Jones finished fourth in the 400-meter hurdles.

The young men's 400 relay team took fourth in the state competition, clocking a 43.32.

### AAU: Atlanta Bound

Twin City Relays Coach Lemuel Johnson said a number of his athletes will be heading to Atlanta Georgia this weekend.

"We're going to an invitational meet in Atlanta to tune up for the regionals," Johnson explained.

"We like to let the kids run in as many big competitions as we can, but money is the problem. It gets expensive to travel every weekend," he said.

Johnson said a limited number of athletes will make the Atlanta trip this weekend.

Among them, are intermediate boys Julius Reese, Derrick Speas and Sonny Weak. All three will participate in the 100 and 200-meter dashes, while Reese will test his skill in the 400 as well.

"These three guys should do pretty well down there I think," Johnson said. "We all know what Julius is capable of, but Derrick and Sonny are very good runners too."

"Derrick is just a rising eighth-grader and he will really be an outstanding athlete by the time he reaches the high school level."

A group of midget girls in-



Kenya Turner of the Winston-Salem Roadrunners practices coming out of the blocks. Turner won the youth girls 100-meter dash and finished second in the 200 at the N.C. TAC Junior Olympics State Track and Field Championships in Raleigh (photo by James Parker).

cluding Jatarsa Hayes, Tiffany Nesbit, Selinda Brown and Dawn Speas will make the trip. They are expected to work on forming a relay team and sprinting events.

Scott Fletcher, the defending AAU national champion in the 110-meter hurdles, will compete in Atlanta. Johnson said Fletcher will skip the 400-meter hurdles this year to work on his speed and endurance in relay competitions.

The Twin City Relay's senior girls group will not the trip, however. Johnson said a few of the girls had to work or had other commitments.

The Relays' senior girls 4x100 relay team has already established itself as one of the fastest in the nation.

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I sort of agreed with the guy on that. Moving to my seat at ringside, the lights dimmed and the action was about to begin.

### Them Snazzy Duds

A child a few rows in front of me yelled, "Shut up momma, they're starting."

"Now that's a real wrestling family," I thought.

In the first match, it was "Outback Jack" from Humpty Doo, Australia, taking on Jose Estrada from Brooklyn.

Outback, who looked like a 300 pound clone of Crocodile Dundee, wore an explorer's garb of tan pants, leather boots and a leather vest. Pacing around the ring, he flashed a big smile complete with rather large spaces between his teeth.

"Ello mates," he bellowed. Estrada, bearing no

resemblance to the other Estrada on CHIPS, had a shiny bald head and a villainous mustache. He also gave up nearly 50 pounds to the much larger Australian.

Outback made quick work of the Brooklyn native with a flying bulldog. He managed to appease the crowd by poking Estrada's eyes like Moe does Curley on the Three Stooges.

The score: Good guys 1, Bad guys 0.

Next, it was the youthful Jim Powers and Paul Roma taking on the "Shadows".

Powers and Roma overcame the cheating "Shadows" with a reverse sunset flip.

The score: Good guys 2, Bad guys 0.

And so the rest of the evening passed much in that order.

The "Fabulous Moolah" successfully defended her WWF Ladies Title by using a foreign object (a beer opener) to knock out blond bombshell Debbie

Combs.

Both women bore uncanny resemblance to late-night left-overs in a country bar, with smeared make-up, and obvious beer bellies.

I managed to bump into one of her managers before the match, and he was quite nice.

"Hey, this is just a business for me," said the man, who wore snake skin boots to match his platinum blond hair.

I asked him about Moolah, who appears to be reaching her late forties or early fifties.

"She's a tough ol' girl. I ought to know, she's popped me up side the head a few times," he replied while munching on a hotdog and fries.

"She ain't the champion for nothing."

In the feature match, Randy "Macho Man" Savage, clad in a red and blue-striped robe and accompanied by the beautiful

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## Thorpe Classic

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tour to nurse an injured hand.

Although he is from Roxboro, Thorpe spent much of his childhood in the Twin City and was a frequent visitor to the Winston Lake Golf Course while developing his game.

### Volunteers Needed

Jim Conrad, the tournament's

chairman, said that volunteers are needed to help run the tournament.

He said that the tournament needs the community's support in order to make it a successful campaign.

Created by Thorpe and Conrad, the tournament is being held to promote junior golf in this area. All proceeds from the tour-

namment will be spent in developing an area junior golf program.

Anyone interested in volunteering their services to the July 4 and 5 tournament are asked to contact Conrad's Hair Design at 725-3074.

Participants in the tournament are asked to call Winston Lake host pro Ernest Morris at 727-2703.

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