

Thurman, Trujillo earn Geneseo's first track wins

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The meet itself was a one-sided affair in favor of hosts Dixon.

But, in certain ways, Geneseo's boys track team gave a fair accounting of itself Tuesday night at Westwood Indoor Complex in Sterling, where the Leafs finished second in a three-team triangular.

Dixon won the meet going away with a team score of 124 points, followed by the Leafs with 43 and Rochelle with 21.

"This was about their fourth meet," Leafs varsity head coach Mel Snook said of the Dukes. "And it was our first one. We'll gain some ground on them, but it wouldn't surprise me if they ended up sectional champions, with the type of athletes they had."

Dixon won every event except two, and added 10 second-place finishes in 18 events, so points were hard to come by for the Leafs and Hubs.

However, Geneseo picked off the other two event victories that the Dukes didn't get.

Senior Andy Thurman won the 400-meter dash by more than a second and a half over his nearest competitor, and junior Justin Trujillo took first in the 1,600-meter run, winning by 1.3 seconds over Dixon's Kel Bond.

"Those were excellent times for this time of year," Snook said of his two event winners' efforts.

However, Geneseo's strongest event might have been one it didn't win--the triple jump.

Junior Josh Reschke cleared the 40-foot mark, a solid

accomplishment for the month of March in track and field, to finish second in the event, while sophomore Dylan Kenney and senior Kyle Wickwire came close.

Kenney leaped 39-10 for third place, while Wickwire's distance was 39-7, good for fourth.

Wickwire followed up his triple jump with a second-place 5-10 effort in the high jump, and also took fourth in the 55 high hurdles.

Luke Steinkopf also took a second in the 300-meter dash, with a time of 39.39, and the 3,200 relay team of Christian Rowlands, Trujillo, Kyle Fluck and Matt Arkell was second in that event as well.

Picking up thirds was senior Jeremy Heaton (pole vault, 55 high hurdles), and juniors Kory Klemmer (discus), Brian Blank (shot put) and Jake Swanson (200). The Leafs' 800-meter and 1,600-meter relay teams also had thirds.

Nathan Schlindwein bagged a pair of fourths in the 1,600 and 3,200 runs, with Swanson taking fourth in the 55 dash.

Andre Jackson took fourth in the 55 low hurdles, while Chris Burk was fourth in the 800 and Steinkopf was fourth in the 200. Curt Russell finished fourth in the 400, and Geneseo had its second 1,600 relay team take fourth as well.

"There were a lot of good things to look at, and we'll have a better idea of where we stand next week," Snook said. "We'll be going up against Sterling next week, and it'll be interesting to see how these young kids compete."

'Lazy' Trujillo ahead of pace

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Justin Trujillo describes as being somewhat lazy.

"I lay around the house quite a bit when I'm home," the Geneseo junior said in describing how he spends his free time.

Yo, Justin. Lazy people don't usually choose long-distance running as a way to pass the time.

Nor do they go out and win races.

Trujillo was one of two Geneseo track and field athletes to pick off an event victory Tuesday night in the Dixon Triangular at Westwood Indoor Complex in Sterling.

Trujillo won the 1,600-meter run, beating the Dukes' Kel Bond by a little more than one second.



Justin Trujillo

"I was kind of afraid of him based on what he'd done the first few days. He took off pretty quick, and I didn't think I'd be able to stay with him," Trujillo said. "But I got up to him, and just stayed with him, and then passed during the last 800.

"He tried to stay with me, but

I'm not sure when he made a move. I wasn't really paying attention to where he was."

Trujillo finished the race with a time of 4 minutes, 49.4 seconds, which is already ahead of his best time in the event from last year.

What also helps is that he prefers the "mile," as the 1,600 is often referred to, over any other distance.

"Coach (Mel Snook) thinks I'm a half-miler, but I don't know. I just have a method to it (the 1,600)," Trujillo said.

Trujillo got an early start to his track training thanks to a short break after cross country season.

"Coach Fredericks told us we should take a longer break, but after a week or so I just had to get back out there again," Trujillo said. "Running's just something I enjoy doing. I ran once or twice a week; five miles at a time, and that was pretty much it."

Track season is still pretty much in its infancy at this point, so Trujillo isn't getting overly excited as far as what running the 4:49 means at this point.

And, that's pretty much the attitude he has about the future success of the Geneseo team.

"We could go anywhere, I would say," Trujillo said of his team's chances this year. "The distance guys are about as good as last year, but we have to keep it in perspective and keep an open mind.

"As for me, I'm having fun right now and that's all there is to it. I just run to have fun."

BOYS TRACK

Tuesday, March 12

Varsity

At Westwood Indoor Complex,
Sterling

DIXON TRIANGULAR

Team scores: Dixon 124, MAPLE
LEAFS 43, Rochelle 21.

Individual Events

3,200 relay: 1. Dixon, 8:56.49; 2.
LEAFS (Christian Rowlands, Justin
Trujillo, Kyle Fluck, Matt Arkell),
9:04.25; 3. Rochelle, 9:46.76.

55: 1. Davidson (D), 6.41; 2.
Daugherty (R), 6.51; 3. Anderson
(D), 6.73; 4. Nuss (R), 6.83.

Discus: 1. Brantner (D), 146-8; 2.
Lang (R), 140-10; 3. Kory Klemmer
(LEAFS), 136-4; 4. Williams (D),
134-8.

3,200: 1. Ross (D), 10:50.28; 2.
Jandrey (D), 10:55.18.; 3. Jacobson
(R), 11:13.6; 4. Nathan Schlindwein
(LEAFS), 11:24.00.

300: 1. Wheeler (D), 37.07; 2. Luke
Steinkopf (LEAFS), 39.39; 3. Davison
(D), 39.87; 4. Jake Swanson
(LEAFS), 40.24.

55 low hurdles: 1. Alba (D), 7.86;
2. Brokaw (D), 8.27; 3. Harbert (R),
8.50; 4. Andre Jackson (LEAFS),
9.39.

Long jump: 1. Doeh (D), 23-2; 2.
Stichter (D), 21-1; 3. Nass (R), 20-1
1/4.

55 high hurdles: 1. Alba (D), 8.11;
2. Brokaw (D), 8.70; 3. Jeremy
Heaton (LEAFS), 8.95; 4. Kyle
Wickwire (LEAFS), 9.02.

800: 1. Fritts (D), 2:13.22; 2. Wade
(D), 2:16.55; 3. Bell (R), 2:19.90; 4.
Chris Burk (LEAFS), 2:31.90.

Shot put: 1. Brantner (D), 48-8; 2.
Woodward (D), 46-9 1/2; 3. Brian
Blank (LEAFS), 46-9; 4. Williams
(D), 46-1 1/2.

800 relay: 1. Dixon (Wheeler,
Davison, Alba, Doeh), 1:38.84; 2.
Rochelle, 1:40.37; 3. LEAFS (Andre
Jackson, Aaron Kuban, Jake
Swanson, Luke Steinkopf), 1:43.74.

High jump: 1. DeBates (D), 6-0; 2.
Kyle Wickwire (LEAFS), 5-10; 3.
Mardauss (D), 5-10; 4. Doeh (D), 5-
10.

400: 1. Andy Thurman (LEAFS),
55.12; 2. Cox (D), 56.77; 3. Smith
(D), 57.73; 4. Curt Russell (LEAFS),
1:00.08.

1,600: 1. Justin Trujillo (LEAFS),
4:49.4; 2. Bond (D), 4:50.7; 3. Ross
(D), 5:04.81; 4. Nathan Schlindwein
(LEAFS), 5:10.26.

200: 1. Doeh (D), 22.95; 2. Davison
(D), 25.07; 3. Jake Swanson
(LEAFS), 25.77; 4. Luke Steinkopf
(LEAFS), 26.17.

Pole vault: 1. Alba (D), 13-3; 2.
Brokaw (D), 12-6; 3. Jeremy Heaton
(LEAFS), 12-0; 4. Cox (D), 11-0.

1,600 relay: 1. Dixon, 3:47.80; 2.
Rochelle, 3:50.82; 3. LEAFS A (Curt
Russell, Andy Thurman, Aaron
Kuban, Jeremy Heaton), 4:11.02; 4.
LEAFS B (Dylan Kenney, Matt Arkell,
Derek Wahlheim, Garrick Wayne),
4:20.57.

Triple jump: 1. Stichter (D), 41-3;
2. Josh Reschke (LEAFS), 40-1; 3.
Dylan Kenney (LEAFS), 39-10; 4.
Kyle Wickwire (LEAFS), 39-7.

Next meet: LEAFS at Sterling
quadrangular, Tuesday, March 19, 5
p.m. (at Westwood Indoor Complex).

Rochelle - Geneseo - Dixon

3/12/02

Varsity

Relays: 5-3-0

EVENT	DISTANCE HEIGHT TIME	FIRST PLACE POINTS <u>5</u>		SECOND PLACE POINTS <u>3</u>		THIRD PLACE POINTS <u>2</u>	
		COMPETITOR	SCHOOL	COMPETITOR	SCHOOL	COMPETITOR	SCHOOL
3200 M Relay	8:56.59	Cox Wade Fritts Bond	D	9:04.25	G	9:46.26	R
55 M	6:41	Davidson	D	Dougherty ^{6:51}	R	Anderson ^{6:73}	D
Disqus	46'8"	Brantner	D	Lang 140'10"	R	Klemmer ^{136'4"}	G
3200	10:50.28	Ross	D	Jandrea ^{10:55.18}	D	Jacobson ^{11:13.6}	R
300 M	32.07	Wheeler	D	STEINKOFF Kapt 39.39	G	Davison ^{39.87}	D
55 LH	7.86	Alba	D	Brokaw ^{8.27}	D	Herbert ^{8.50}	R
Long Jump	23'2"	Doeh	D	Stichter ^{21'1"}	D	Nass 20'14"	R
55 HH	8.14	Alba	D	Brokaw ^{8:70}	D	Heaton ^{8:95}	G
800 M	2:13.22	Fritts	D	Wade ^{2:16.55}	D	Bell 2:19.90	R
Shot Put	48'8"	Brantner	D	Woodward ^{46'9 1/2}	D	Blank 46'9	G
800 R	1:38.84	wheeler Alba Davison Doeh	D	1:40.37	R	1:43.74	G
High Jump	6'0"	DeBates	D	Wickwire ^{5'10"}	G	Mardauss ^{5'10"}	D
400	55.12	Thurman	G	Cox 56.72	D	Smith ^{57.73}	D
1600 M	4:49.4	Trujillo	G	Bond ^{4:50.7}	D	Ross ^{5:04.81}	D
200	22.95	Doeh	D	Davison ^{25.07}	D	Swanson ^{25.77}	G
Pole Vault	13'3"	Alba	D	Brokaw ^{12'6"}	D	Heaton 12'0"	G
1600 M Relay	3:47.80	Cox Anderson Fritts Wheeler	D	3:50.82	R	4:11.02	G
Triple Jump	41'3"	Stichter	D	Reschke ^{40'1"}	G	Kenney ^{39'10}	G

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FOURTH PLACE POINTS		DIXON	GEN	ROCK	
COMPETITOR	SCHOOL				
		5/5	3/3	0/0	
Nuss 6:83	R	7/12	0/3	4/4	
Williams 134'8"	D	6/18	2/5	3/7	
Schindwein 11:24.00	G	8/26	1/6	2/9	
Swanson 40.24	G	7/33	4/10	0/9	
Jackson 9.39	G	8/41	1/11	2/11	
Kennedy 19'9"	G	8/49	0/11	2/13	
Wickwire 9:02	G	8/57	3/14	0/13	
Burke 2:31.90	G	8/65	1/15	2/15	
Williams 46' 1 1/2"	D	9/74	2/17	0/15	
		5/79	0/17	3/18	
Oech 5'10"	D	8/87	3/20	0/18	
Russell 60.08	G	7/92	6/26	2/18	
Schindwein 5:10.26	G	5/97	6/32	0/18	
Steinkoff 26ft?	G	8/105	3/35	0/18	
Cox 11'0"	D	9/114	3/37	0/18	
4:20.57	G	5/119	0/37	3/21	
Wickwire 39'7"	G	5/124	6/43	0/21	
TOTAL TEAM POINTS		124	44	21	
TEAM STANDINGS		1	2	3	

Kochelle - Geneseo - Dixon

3/12/02

Relays: 5-3-0

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EVENT	DISTANCE HEIGHT TIME	FIRST PLACE POINTS <u>5</u>		SECOND PLACE POINTS <u>3</u>		THIRD PLACE POINTS <u>2</u>	
		COMPETITOR	SCHOOL	COMPETITOR	SCHOOL	COMPETITOR	SCHOOL
3200M Relay	10:04		D	10:21.8	G		
55M	6:94	Winnebaugh	R	Reschke ^{7:02}	G	Walters ^{7:33}	D
3200	11:34	Weiser	G	Wildermuth ^{12:05.1}	G		
Shot Put	43'10"	Verstraete ^{43'10"}	G	Jandrey ^{43'7"}	D	Maitakas ^{38'10"}	G
300M	40.67	Thies	D	Anderson ^{44.70}	G	Adams ^{45.70}	G
Long Jump	18'5 ³ / ₄	Reschke	G	Brainerd ^{18'2³/₄}	D	Back ^{17'5¹/₂}	D
55 HH	9:24	Thompson	G	Cushman ^{10:83}	G		
800 M	2:15.33	Yount	D	Fransen ^{2:32.55}	R	Holevoet ^{2:38.90}	G
Discus	133'	Jandrey	D	Jacobs ^{115'10"}	D	Mapes ^{110'}	G
800 R	1:46.25	Brainerd, Johnson Bock Setchell	D	1:50.17	R	1:56.17	G
400	59.31	Thompson	G	Kushmer ^{62.51}	G	West ^{63.07}	D
1600 M	5:28.15	Thompson Clark	D	5:28.74 Matton	G	Webber ^{5:35.67}	G
200	24.84	Winnebaugh	R	Thies ^{25.99}	D	Scott ^{26.91}	R
Pole Vault	9'1"	Meyer	D	West ^{9'0"}	D		
Triple Jump	36'7 ¹ / ₂	Gomez	R	Herbert ^{35'1¹/₂}	R	REILING ^{34'8"} Raintint	G
1600M Relay	4:03.64	Johnson Setchell Yount West	D	4:09.85	G	4:13.23	R
H. J.	5'8'	Back	D	RESCHKE 5'6"	G	Winnebaugh 5'	R
55 LH	8.77	THOMPSON	G				

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FOURTH PLACE POINTS <u>1</u>		DIXON	GEN	ROCH	
COMPETITOR	SCHOOL				
		5/5	3/3	0/0	
Johnson 7.50	D	3/8	3/6	5/5	
		0/8	8/14	0/5	
Jacobs 38' 4 1/2"	D	4/12	7/21	0/5	
Hight 47.85	G	5/17	6/27	0/5	
Gomez 17' 2"	R	5/22	5/32	1/6	
		0/22	8/40	0/6	
Moss 2:41.86	D	6/28	2/42	3/9	
Glazier 98' 9 1/2"	G	8/36	3/45	0/9	
		5/41	0/45	3/12	
Walters 64.92	D	3/44	8/53	0/12	
Weiser 5:40.01	G	5/49	6/59	0/12	
Walters 28.26	D	4/53	0/59	7/19	
		8/61	0/59	0/19	
Thies 34' 7"	D	1/62	2/61	8/29	
4:20.92	D	5/67	3/64	0/27	
Gomez 4' 6"	R	5/72	3/67	3/30	
		0/72	5/72	0/30	
TOTAL TEAM POINTS		72	72	30	
TEAM STANDINGS					