## Observer Track Relays This Saturday

By TOM DONOGHUE Sports Editor

Get out your stop watches and measuring tapes, the area's No. 1 track event of the season is upon us.

It will be the third running of the Observerland Relays this Saturday, May 5, at the Redford Union stadium next to Hilbert Junior High in Redford Township.

A total of 15 area high schools will be in the competition which opens at 3:30 p.m. with the pole vault event. The high jump will start at 4 p.m., the gates opening at 5 p.m. with the start of the long jump. Running, events will begin at 7 n.m.

The list of schools that will be in the four field events and eight running events includes: Bishop Borgess, being being

Farmington High won it the first year, also with 25 points. North was second. Redford Union third and Bishop Borgess again fourth.

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ager is RU Athleid Director
Howard Kraft, Cyrthia Baston will be handling the public address system; the RU
Track-ettes Chia the service
and avards, the RU Varsity
dub the concession and the
RU Dad's Club the programs.

Pole Vault Relay - 33-6 by Farmington in '71,

High Jump Relay - 17-3 by Redford Union in '72,

Four Mile Relay - 18:37.1 by Churchill in '72.

880 Yard Relay - 1:32.7 by Franklin in '72,

Distance Medley Relay 10:53.1 by Redford Union in

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grams.

Bruce Waha will be the meet referee with Observer Newspaper Executive Editor Richard T. Thompson the

Mike Bowerman is the starter and Kermit Ambrose the clerk of the course. Following is a list of the judges: Charles Patterson, eshot put; Bill Barrett, pole vault; Ron Perian, long jump; High; Laird, high jump; Jack Cotton, first place judge; Fred McGlove, second place judge; Al McGaw, bind place judge; Jok Gosukeys, sist place judge; Jok Soukeys, sist place judge; Harry Hidenfelter, the data timer, with Mike Kratchek, Bob Oulette, Bob Haffey and Mike Bowerman exchange and curve judges.

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The high jump battle should feature Redford Union and Churchill.

Both schools have two jumpers over jsix feet, RU sporting Jack Helzer at 6-2 and Scott O'Grady, at 6-2 while Churchill boasts Jim Honke and Jeff Young, each at 6-2.

The distance relays will depend on how the coaches decide to utilize their talent. They could put all their

strength in one race and gun for a first place trophy or spill the talent armong two or more relays and hope to core more points.

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North Farmington, Borgess and Southfield will be the main contenders in the shot put event a two-way race between Borgess and Thurston.

Borgess boasts, liftree shot putters in the top 10 in Greg Husek, Steve Jarefnski and Rick Cudnin, Thurston sports the area's No. 1 tosser in Tom Haron with Gordon Elkins No. 9 onthe charts, Bertley and RU are the favorities in the long jump, each having three jumpers over the 20 foot mark.

year.

There will be open order of vaulting with the bar staying at a certain height for a certain period of time and then proceeding in height. There will be no paging with opening height at 9-6.

one out.

West jumped 37 feet in the
Dearborn Elks Relays and
RU went 38-6 in the Waterford Relays.

Five points will beawarded for each first place
finish, four for a second,
three for third, two for fourth

three for third, two for fourth and one for fifth.

Sponsors for the different events are: shot put relay -Lee Driving School; long jum relay - Bob Seller's Pon-tiae; pole vault - RU Dad's Club; high jump - Stark Hickey Ford; four mile relay.

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Pole vaulting has always been a long dragged out even but Director Mac Existe promises all that distance medley relay. The things will be different this Travel Agent; shuttle hardle year.

loin Pit; two mile relay Spike Lawrence Trophy;
distance medley Irelay - The
Travel Agent; shuttle hurdle
relay - Roger Peck Chevrolet; spring medley relay Official Sports (Center; 440
yard relay - Sinelli Sand and
Gravel; mile relay - Livonia
optimist Club. The meet
championship triphy will be
sponsored by the Observer
Newspapers.
Admission at the gate will
be 50 cents for students and
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numeroson at the guest will be 30 cents for students and 51 per adult.

Director MacKenzie promises that the pole vanult will make the properties of the tam trophy appear to be Bishop Borgess, Churchill, Stevenson, Thurston, Bentley, and Redford Union. If this meet is anything like the past, it should go down to the final event.

Don't miss it is the 73 Observerland Relays this Saturday, May 5.

## DISEPVEP | Publishers Or The Farmington Enterprise Christopher (Christopher Livenis Observer, Pyr Diserver, Fideric Observer, Pyr Observer, Fideric Observer, Southlield Observer, Southlield Observer. Rockets Remain On Top Despite Franklin Loss

By TOM DONOGHUE Sports Editor

The John Glenn Rockets have found a good thing in the Northwest Suburban baseball race.

baseball race.

Glenn bounced back from its first league defeat at the hands of Franklin. 2-1. to crish Oak Park. 6-0. and the Rockets stand on top of the Northwest with a 5-1 record.

Northwest with a 5-1 record. Outside of the league it is a different stery.

1 don't really know what it is, "said Glent Coach Norm Hoenes whose squad stands 16 in non-leaguers and 6-7 overgil." It know it's not that the teams we play outside the league are that much better. I guess I just save all of our good pitching for the league games.

Our only win outside the league was against Garden Gty West and heck, they came back to beat us in the

econd outing."
The one item that Hoenes The one item that Hoenes knows he is going to have to fight for is the suspended game against Franklin which Franklin is winning after three innings. 4-0.

John Glenn has no intentions of making up the rain canceled contest but oth-

er feelings exist in the North-west League where a team must attempt to complete any suspended contest.

any suspenses out of the feature an all-out effect on the feature race as Thurston is right behind Gleen with a 4-2 mark followed by East at 3-2 and Franklin at 2-3.

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It was Gar Frantz's home run that gave Franklin a 4-0 drantage in the now suspended game and the Patricus stuck it to the Rockets again, this time in the full seven innings 2-1.

Rich Gaber, went the distance for Franklin, picking up his second win in three starts. He allowed five hits, walked two and struck your six.

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Hoenes went with Dave Wesley, with Patroits collecting seven hits, Wesley walking three and striking out nine.

Glean scoped in the first half of the first when lead-off batter J. P. MeBride ripped, as hot through the fence in left field for a two-bagger and Jeff Brituain singled him home.

loss.

Glenn scored twice in the second on doubles by Jeff Hodgkins and Jim Sampson and a single by Steve Kaufman.

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The Rockets exploded for four more in the [ifth. Steve Hodgkins, walked and stole second and McBride was safe on an error. Then came a play that Coach Höenes is still scratching his head about.

With runners on first and

walked. Gar Frantz walked and Tim Livesay singled in Squeeze on.

One Park had called for a related that the last of the third.

Waterstone.

Waterstone got a one base hit, stole second and scampered home on a two-out hit by Wadkins. Thiat was all the Patriots needed with Gaber doing the rest in keeping the Rockets in line!

Folian bounced back from the one run defeat to overpower Oak Park, 6.9. behind the four hit pitching performance of Jeff Hodgkins who now stands 22 Tor 73. Hodgkins worked the full seven innings, walked two and struck out six.

Ron Montgomery and Andy Shelby burled for the Oak Park Redskins with the starter. Montgomery, taking the loss.

Glenn scored twice in the loss.

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in a Northwest Suburban clash which Franklin won, 2-1. (Observer photo by Tom Donoghue)



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