

1953 Track & Field Results

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The 29th State Track and Field Meet was held at Auburn on May 8 and 9 with a total of 360 athletes from 40 schools participating. Dewell Crumpton of Ramsay was awarded the Auburn Spike Shoe Association Trophy as the meet's most outstanding performer. He won the 120-yard high hurdles in 14.8 seconds to better the old record by four tenths of a second. He then cleared six feet, three-eighths of an inch in the high jump, topping the old record by an eighth of an inch. In the low hurdles his record was 20.4 seconds breaking his Friday record of 21 flat. In the Class A event, Jackie Reeves of Andalusia broke two records. He ran the 440 in 51 seconds flat and the half mile in 2:03.1.

Lanier, who had not won a meet since 1950 carried off top honors in the Class AA division with a total of 36 $\frac{1}{4}$ points. Second place winner was Ramsay with a total of 22 points. Shades Valley of Birmingham took third place honors with 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ points.

In the Class A division, Andalusia repeated her victory of last year by carrying off a total of 24 points. Second place Russellville had 17 points and Benjamin Russell of Alexander City took third place with 14 points.

Other records were broken by Jackie Reeves of Andalusia who ran the 440 on 51 seconds flat and the half mile in 2:03.1 and by Jerry Kimbrough of Russellville who ran the 100 yard dash in 10:3. Don Edwards of Leeds did the mile run in 5:36. The 200 yard dash was run by Jimmy Shaw of Holtville in :22.5. The 180 yard low hurdle went to Bobby Terrell of Greenville in :21.2. The Lanier sprinter, Billy Livings, set a record in the 220 yard dash in :21.5.

The three top boys in each event will be eligible to represent Alabama in the third annual Alabama-Georgia meet in Birmingham on May 23.

Jeff Beard, Auburn's athletic director along with his entire staff, were wonderful hosts. They went all out to entertain the boys and coaches.

Coach Wilbur Hutsell had the meet organized par excellent and every part of the event from the scratch meet to the awarding of medal and trophies operated as smoothly as silk.