

FSU runners set record

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ATLANTA — Florida State's 440-yard relay team of Mike Roberson, Jesse Forbes, Marvin Dixon and Don Merrick set a Martin Luther King Games record Saturday with a winning time of 39.5.

Roberson also won the 110-meter high hurdles with 13.5 and was fourth in the 200 meters with 20.7. Merrick qualified for the 100-meter runoff with a 10.2 clocking, but finished eighth in the finals. He was fifth in the 200 meters with 20.8.

Vickie Smith won the womens shot put with 42-3¼ and was third in the discus with 112-9; Kim Travers was second in the womens discus with 140-10 and third in the shot with 41-9; Phares Rolle took fifth in the pole vault (16-6), Jeff Nedimyer six in the high jump (6-10).

Crockett was sixth in the race at 10.4 and McTear, who had predicted victory, was clocked in 10.5. McTear was never in contention, apparently running out of

steam on the longer metric event, about nine yards farther than the 100-yard dash.

Dave Roberts of the Florida Track Club and a graduate student at Florida State, who is the world record holder in the pole vault, twice narrowly missed breakin his mark of 18-6½. He officially cleared 18 feet to win the event but missed three attempts at 18-7¼, twice knocking off the bar on his way down after clearing the height.

Williams also captured the 200-meter dash, tying his meet record of 19.9 to easily defeat the second-place Glance, 20.2, by about five yards.

Edwin Moses of Morehouse captured the 400 meter intermediate hurdles in 48.8, eclipsing two tenths of a second off the meet record set two years ago by Ralph Mann of the Beverly Hills Striders.

Florida State set a meet record in the 440-yard relay with a 39.5 clocking, .1 better than the previous record set six years ago by Texas A&M. It appeared that FSU's Merrick, running the anchor leg, barely defeated Auburn's Glance, whose team was timed in 39.8.

Williams runs 9.9 again

ATLANTA (AP) — Steve Williams of the Florida Track Club equaled — for the fifth time — his world record of 9.9 seconds in the 100-meter dash Saturday, outrunning a star-studded field in the Martin Luther King International Freedom Games.

Williams, who said he "didn't run a very good race, especially in the first half," nudged Auburn's Harvey Glance at the finish line of a race that included three world record holders at 100 meters and two others at 100 yards.

Williams appeared to get a poor start and was trailing most of the field at the 30-meter mark before making his move and finally overtaking Glance, who also has run a 9.9.

Glance finished second in 10 flat, followed by Ed Preston of Arkansas State, Robert Woods of Grambling and Charles Hopkins of the Macon Track Club, all in 10.3.

Failing to place were Florida schoolboy Houston McTear and Ivory Crockett, co-holders of the 100-yard record at 9 flat, and Florida State's Don Merrick, who also shares the 100-meter record.

Evis Jennings of Mississippi State edged out Fred Newhouse of the Baton Rouge Track Club to win the 400 meters in 45.0, breaking the old meet record of 45.3 set last year by Penn State's Mike Sands.

King Games

ATLANTA (AP) — Results in Saturday's Martin Luther King International Freedom Games, with running events in metric distances unless otherwise indicated:

Four hundred intermediates hurdles—1, Edwin Moses, Morehouse, 48.8 (meet record, old record, 49.0, Ralph Mann, Beverly Hills Striders, 1974). 2, James Walker, Auburn, 50.1. 3, Randy Williams, Kentucky State, 50.4. 4, Dennis Otono, Mississippi State, 50.4. 5, Dick Bruggeman, Ohio Track Club, 51.0. 6, Bob Rambo, Florida Track Club, 51.4.

440-yard relay—1, Florida State (Mike Roberson, Jesse Forbes, Marvin Dixon, Don Merrick) 39.5 (meet record, old record, 39.6, Texas A & M, 1970). 2, Auburn 39.8. 3, Philadelphia Pioneers 40.2. 4, Grambling 40.2.

Women's 440-yard relay—1, Tigerbelle Track Club (Debra Oliver, Brenda Moorehead, Mary William, Chandra Cheeseborough) 45.5. 2, Florida Track Club 45.6. 3, Bahamas 47.6. 4, Philadelphia Hawks 48.1.

Women's 1,500 dash—1, Cindy Bremser, Wisconsin TC, 4:17.2. 2, Brenda Webb, Kettering Striders, 4:21.9. 3, Gayle Olinck, Canada, 4:25.9. 4, Debbie Mitchell, Canada, 4:27.6. 5, Joan Benoit, Liberty AC, 4:32.2.

Women's shot put—1, Vickie Smith, Florida State, 42-3 3/4. 2, Jackie Gordon, Florida TC, 41-10. 3, Kim Travers, Florida State, 41.9.

Women's Discus—1, Jackie Gordon, Florida TC, 152-1. 2, Kim Travers, Florida State, 140-10. 3, Vickie Smith, Florida State, 112-9.

Women's High Jump—1, Karen Moller, Delaware SC, 5-10. 2, Paula Girven, unattached, 5-10. 3, Connie Dorsey, Terre Haute TC, 5-10. 4, Tie, Lyn Sheffield, Tennessee, and Heidi Hertz, Florida TC, 5-4.

Women's 800—1, Robin Campbell, Florida TC, 2:05.2. 2, Joan Wenzel, Canada, 2:05.6. 3, Kathy Hall, Suburban TC 2:06.5. 4, Henrietta Nanols, New Orleans Super

James, 2:07.4. 5, Francine Gendron, Canada 2:07.8.

110 high hurdles—1, Mike Roberson, Florida State, 13-5. 2, James Walker, Auburn, 13.5. 3, John Long, Florida TC 13.7. John Lewler, Auburn, 14.0. 5, Hesley Boslic, Florida, 14.0.

100-1, Steve Williams, Florida TC, 9.9 (ties world record held by Williams and others). 2, Harvey Glance, Auburn, 10.0. 3, Ed Preston, Arkansas State, 10.3. 4, Robert Woods, Grambling, 10.3. 5, Charles Hopkins, Macon TC, 10.3.

800-1, Horace Tull, Florida, 1:47.8. 2, Byron Dyce, Florida TC, 1:48.1. 3, Phil Barker, Furman, 1:48.7. 4, Bob Smith, Baton Rouge TC, 1:49.5. 5, Winfred Alexander, Florida, 1:49.6.

Womens 400-1, Deborah Armstrong, Florida TC, 52.8. 2, Sheila Ingram, Coolidge High School, 52.9. 3, Debra Sapenter, Prairie View, 53.3. 4, Pam Jiles, New Orleans Superdames, 53.7. 5, Sheila Choates, Tennessee State, 53.9.

Womens 100-1, Rose Allwood, Florida TC, 11.3. 2, Chandra Cheeseborough, Tigerbelle TC, 11.3. 3, Brenda Moorehead, Tigerbelle TC, 11.5. 4, Brenda Finch, Jackson State, 11.5. 5, Pat Henderson, Chicago Murcherette, 11.8.

1500-1, Steve Foster, Florida TC, 3:41.3 (Meet record, old record 3:43.3, Marty Liquori, Villanova, 1969). 2, Paul Craig, Canada, 3:41.7. Ray Flynn, East Tennessee, 3:42.8. 4, Ralph King, North Carolina, 3:42.8. 5, Len Hilton, Pacific Coast Club, 3:44.0.

High jump-1, James Barrineau, Georgia, 7-2. 2, Les Whitehead, Mississippi State, 7-0. 3, Lee Pales, Mississippi State, 7-0. 4, Maurice Brown, Alabama State, 6-10. 5, Dexter Rowland, Georgia Tech, 6-10.

400—1, Elvis Jennings, Mississippi State, 45.0 (Meet record, old record, 45.3, Mike Sands, Penn State, 1975). 2, Fred Newhouse, Baton Rouge TC, 45.1. 3, Willie Smith, Auburn, 46.0. 4, Edwin Moses, Morehouse, 46.1. 5, Johnny Jones, Lampassas, Tex., 46.3.

Long jump—Theo Hamilton, unattached, 26-7 (Meet record, old record, 25-8, Norm Tate, Philadelphia Pioneers, 1971). 2, Steve Cobb, Chicago Track Club, 25-11. 3, Shiek Faye, MTSY, 25-10. 4, Larry Myricks, Mississippi College, 25-5½. 5, Bill Tate, Arkansas State, 25-2½.

200-1, Steve Williams, Florida TC, 19.9 (Ties meet record st by Williams in 1975). 2, Harvey Glance, Auburn, 20.2. 3, Ed Preston, Arkansas State, 20.5. 4, Mike Roberson, Florida State, 20.7. 5, Don Merrick, Florida State, 20.8.

5000—1, Dick Buerkle, New York AC, 13:48.4. 2, Eddie Leddy, Ireland, 13:51.0. 3, Albert Salazar, Wayland, Mass., HS, 14:04.8. 4, Rick Musick, Auburn, 14:10.2. 5, Tom Burleson, Chicago TC, 14:10.6.

Pole vault—1, Dave Roberts, Florida TC, 18-0 (Meet record, old record, 17-7, Bob Segren, Southern California Striders, 1969). 2, Earl Bell, Arkansas State, 17-7. 3, Dixon Boughman, Chicago TC, 17-1. 4, Mike Coffon, Florida TC, 17-1. 5, Phares Rolle, Florida State, 16-6.

Women's 200—1, Chandra Cheeseborough, Tigerbell TC, 23.2. 2, Deborah Armstrong, Florida TC, 23.5. 3, Brenda Moorehead, Tigerbelle TC, 23.6. 4, Rose Allwood, Florida TC, 23.6. 5, Pam Jiles, New Orleans Super Dames, 23.9.

Women's 100 hurdles—1, Deby LaPlante, Unattached Michigan, 13.5. 2, Rhonda Brady, Mayor Hatcher Youth, 13.7. 3, Carol Thomson, Delaware Sports, 13.8. 4, Carmen Brown, Atoms TC, 14.2. 5, Liz Damen, Canada, 14.4.