

FSU hammers Gators

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GAINESVILLE — Florida State beat University of Florida in track here Saturday, no matter which scorekeeper you want to believe.

The Gators insist they lost 91-67, Florida State insists they won 96-58.

The discrepancy comes in whether you want to count the results of the hammer throw, which Florida Coach Roy Benson does, and Florida State coach Dick Roberts doesn't.

"Of course we're going to count it," said Benson. "It's an NCAA event and we're going to count it."

The Gators picked up nine points in the hammer, won by Roy Silver, as the Seminoles declined to compete.

Meanwhile, Coach Roberts said he had a different view.

"It's not part of the SEC or Metro and we're not going to count it," he said. "Ray Graves (athletic director at Florida) and John Bridgers (athletic director at FSU) agreed that it would not be part of this meet."

Benson came right back.

"Benson told me," relayed Roberts, "Graves and Bridgers don't run this track meet."

"That's right," said Benson. "It's a stupid, silly debate we're in. But it would be just like us not wanting to count the steeplechase."

The steeplechase, incidentally, was one of the 11 events the Seminoles won in the runaway victory that the Seminoles led from the opening event.

Among the 11 victories were a pair by Brad Cooper in the discus and Hilmar Skagfield in the pole vault, two events the Seminoles didn't figure to win.

Otherwise, they got the expected victories, but from some unexpected people, as sprint sensation Mike Roberson let his teammates win in his three special events.

He let John Citron win the 110-high hurdles in a good time of 14.1 seconds, he let Walter McCoy win the 200 meters in 21.82 and he let Kevin Johnson win the 100 in 10.8.

Johnson later was taken to the hospital after what appeared to be an attack of appendicitis. He was being held overnight for observation.

In each of his events, Roberson

glanced from side to side and smiled as he let his teammates overhaul him at the finish line.

His generosity let McCoy join Florida's Wesley Maiyo as the only double winners in the meet.

McCoy won his own specialty, the 400-meter, in the sparkling time of 45.7 seconds.

Other Florida State victories were turned in by Donnie Cook in the 5,000 meters, in a time of 14:40.1; Eric Alain in the javelin, with a toss of 207 feet; and Mike Sautter in the steeplechase, in 9:09.8.

The Seminoles' 400 and 800 relay teams stepped off easy victories.

Cooper's 189-foot $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch toss (a school record) in beating the Gators Dock Luckie was one of the meet's highlights, equalled, perhaps, by the pole vaulting of Skagfield, who won it with a vault of 15-6, while teammate Manny Weatherbee cleared 15-0 for second place.

"Those were a couple of events we didn't figure to win," said Roberts. "But I didn't count us out in either event."

Meanwhile, the Lady Seminoles broke six school records in a non-scored women's meet after the Lady Gators had earlier forfeited because "we didn't have enough people to be competitive," according to coach Deanne Johnson.

Kathy Moore, winning the 5,000 meters in 17:50.8, and Mary-Catherine Kelly, winning the 400-meter hurdles in 61.8 seconds, also qualified for the national championships. Both performances were school records.

But the most spectacular Lady Seminole performance was turned in by Nancy Townsend, who threw the javelin 154 feet, nine inches, to better her own school record by more than seven feet. She also smashed the school record, as did Ruth Ann Greene, both clearing 5-4 in the high jump.

Nancy McCormac also set a school record by running the two-mile in 10:53.8 and Rose Giampalmo did the same in the 800 meters with a 2:09.3.

"It was a good meet for us," said Lady Seminole Coach Paul Toran. "We were not pleased over the decision not to score the met, but it worked out okay for us and we're real

happy with our performance."

Meanwhile, the Seminole men's team got some unscored points from its "big man" 400-meter relay team that won a special race against the Gators' weight men.

Cooper, 6-foot-2, 260 pounds, led off for the Seminoles and 6-4, 265-pound Ken Lanier anchored the victory in 48.6 seconds. Jim Peterson and Eric Allain, a couple of lightweights, ran the two middle legs in the easy 20-meter victory.

On a more serious side, the Seminoles, coming into the meet counting on points from second and third places, picked up just about what they expected. They wound up getting 12 of the 16 second places and scoring in seven of the 14 third places.

The lopsided victory over the Gators was the second in a row for the Seminoles, who now lead the all-time series 13-11.

In addition to the possible loss of Johnson, the Seminoles probably will lose the services of quarter-miler Ron Nelson, who reinjured an already tender hamstring pull.

3000 meter steeplechase — 1. Sautter (FSU), 9:09.8. 2. Quinn (UF). 3. McClain (SU).
 Discus — 1. Cooper (FSU), 189'1/2". 2. Luckie (UF). 3. E. Cabbage (UF).
 Long Jump — 1. Neal (UF), 24'9 1/4". 2. Johnson (FSU). 3. Taylor (FSU).
 400 meter relay — FSU, (Forbes, McCoy, Johnson, Roberson), 42.43.
 1500 meter run — 1. Mayo (UF), 3:47.5. 2. C. Cook (FSU). 3. Hensler (UF).
 Shot Put — 1. Luckie (UF), 60'4 1/4". 2. Lanier (FSU). 3. Silvers (UF).
 Triple Jump — 1. Neal (UF), 46'11". 2. Johnson (FSU). 3. Taylor (FSU).
 Pole Vault — 1. Skagfield (FSU), 15'6". 2. Wetherbee (FSU). 3. Stewart (UF).
 400 meters — 1. McCoy (FSU), 45.7. 2. Gray (UF). 3. Barrieffe (UF).
 110 meter hurdles — 1. Citron (FSU), 14.1. 2. Roberson (FSU). 3. Walker (UF).
 100 meter dash — 1. Johnson (FSU), 10.8. 2. Forbes (FSU). 3. Roberson (FSU).
 800 meter run — 1. Mayo (UF), 1:49.9. 2. Caruthers (FSU). 3. Alexander (UF).
 High Jump — 1. Pringle (UF), 6'10". 2. Tie, Brightman (UF) and Sayers (FSU).
 400 meter IM hurdles — 1. Barrieffe (UF), 51.4. 2. Citron (FSU). 3. Hodges (FSU).
 Hammer Throw — 1. Silvers (UF), 158'9". 2. Sullivan (UF). 3. Cabbage (UF).
 200 meter dash — 1. McCoy (FSU), 21.82. 2. Roberson (FSU). 3. Peralto (UF).
 Javelin — 1. Allain (FSU), 207'. 2. Longee (FSU). 3. Grant (UF).

5000 meter run — 1. D. Cook (FSU), 14:40.1. 2. Brown (UF). 3. Quinn (UF).
 Mile Relay — FSU, (Citron, Brown, Caruthers, McCoy), 3:15.1.