

McCoy stars in indoor meet

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Florida State runner Walter McCoy was named the outstanding male athlete and established a new meet record in the 600-yard run, at the Montgomery Southern Indoor Championships.

McCoy recorded a time of 1:10.15 on the 10-lap track which is the same size track the indoor nationals will be run on in Detroit next month.

The Seminoles claimed three other victories in the unscored meet that ended Sunday.

FSU's Ronnie Taylor won the 440-yard run with a meet record time of 48.42. His time also was a school record for a 10-lap track. Last week in the Indiana Relays, Taylor set the school record on an eight-lap track with a time of 47.84.

The mile relay team of Eric Riley, Ron Nelson, Taylor and McCoy won its event with a school and meet record time of 3:15.51. In that race, McCoy turned in a 46.6 seconds anchor leg.

"In all my years of track and field I've never seen a 46 second split on a 10-lap track," said FSU coach Dick Roberts. "It was absolutely a show-stopper."

FSU also received a triumph from Leon Hutchins who covered 50 feet, two inches in the triple jump.

Taylor and McCoy, now unbeaten in four indoor meets in their events, along with FSU thinclads Nelson (440) and Robb Gomez (1,000) have qualified for nationals, as has the mile relay team.

FSU competitors Don Frost and Chip Wells finished second and third in the 60-yard dash. Robb Gomez was third in the 1,000-yard run. Marc Trigg finished fourth in the two-mile run as did Rohn Stark in the high jump. Hutchins was third and Bobby Butler fifth in the long jump, with Dennis Nobles finishing fifth in the pole vault.

FSU women run to records

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The Florida State women's track team set eight school and six meet records, while qualifying seven runners for the AIAW and the Athletic

Congress (TAC, formerly the AAU) nationals, in the two-day Montgomery Southern Indoor Championships that concluded Sunday.

FSU captured six first place and four second place finishes in the unscored meet in which 13 teams participated.

The most prominent Lady Seminole was Esmeralda Garcia who was nominated the meet's top women competitor. She set school, meet, AIAW and TAC standards in the 60-yard dash (6.87 seconds) and long jump (22 feet, 2 ½ inches), as well as helping the 4-by-one-lap (176 yards) relay team do the same.

That relay team, which included Marita Payne, Alice Bennett and Randy Givens, finished in 1:18.89, a time which FSU coach Roger Smith probably ranks among the top two or three times in the nation this year.

FSU also won the mile and medley relays in school and meet record times. The mile relay team, run by Givens, Angie Wright, Debbie Moss and Payne, turned in a 3:53.39 clocking. The medley team, composed of Jenette Wood, Scooby Golden, Gale Grant and Margaret Coomber, turned in a time of 11:55-flat, with Coomber's 4:52.30 time in the mile leg of the relay setting a Garrette Coleseum record for women. Coomber also won the open mile competition with a 4:53.33 time.

Other first place finishers for FSU included Payne with a school and meet record time of 57.62 in the 400-yard competition. Givens finished second to teammate Garcia in the 60-yard dash with a school and meet record time of 6.96 seconds.

"I was very pleased and impressed," said first-year coach Smith. "The kids ran very well."