

Lady 'Noles gain places

HANOVER, N.H. — Florida State's women's track team opened its 1979 indoor season at the Jan Merrill-dominated Dartmouth Relays Saturday and Sunday here.

Merrill, the American record holder in the 1,500 and 3,000 meter runs, was voted the outstanding performer of the meet after winning the women's mile run in 4:35.0. Her time was 30 seconds faster than the next finisher.

Florida State junior Leslie Sullivan was fourth in the mile, running a 5:10.4.

FSU won one event at the meet — the two-mile relay. Nancy McCormac, Rose Giampalmo, Sullivan and Debbie Kemp finished in 9:24.3.

Giampalmo provided another highlight for the Lady Seminoles, according to Coach Paul Toran, when she finished sixth in the 800-meters in 2:12.6.

"Rose had the lead through the first 660 yards or so, but was caught. She finished only a second behind the winner, though, in what was an exciting race to watch," Toran said. "She

ran a 2:14 last year at this time, so she's well ahead of last year's pace."

Other FSU placers were: freshman Eleanor Majors (fourth in the shot put with a toss of 43-5), freshman Tonja Brown (fourth in the long jump at 19-7), McCormac (sixth in the open mile at 5:11.9 and sixth in the 3,000 meters at 10:32.8), and the mile relay team of Giampalmo, Noreen Davey, Debbie Kemp and Tonja Brown (fourth in 4:03.2). The Lady Seminoles' next compete in the Wolfpack Invitational, Feb. 10 at North Carolina State.