

# 500 Boys Enter Jr. Olympic Meet

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A record field of 500 participants will compete in the North Carolina AAU Junior Olympics at Wake Forest Saturday.

Committee members worked late last night setting up heats in the three age-groups. Entries have been received from 32 cities and 64 teams will be represented.

Charlotte has the largest entry list with 120 boys taking part. Winston-Salem will have 75 boys.

Times and distances listed on the entry sheet indicate that a number of records should fall.

All of the entry sheets were not available last night because the committee was still setting up some of the events.

The younger boys can not break too many records. The 12-13 year olds will compete in the broad jump, high jump, 100-yard dash and 440-relay.

The 100-yard dash has 18 entries and the favorite is Mike Diamond of McClintock Junior High in Charlotte with a :10.8. Gregg Fox has a :10.9. The record is :10.6.

There are 15 boys in the broad jump with John Brown of Charlotte (school not listed) having the best jump, 17 feet 6 inches. Greg Fox of Randleman had 17 feet, 3 inches. The

record is 17 feet, 9½ inches.

Only four boys have entered the high jump with John Brown of Charlotte as the favorite at five feet, three inches. The record is five feet, four inches.

A 440-relay team from Charlotte (school not listed) should break the record. The team has run a :48.4 and the record is :50.

Heats had been set up in only three of the 14-15 year old events. In the low hurdles, Gran Hearn of Quail Hollow Junior High in Charlotte and Terry Wallace of West Mecklenburg are the favorites with :13.9. The record is :13.5.

In the 440-yard dash for the 14-15 year olds, Curt Fussell and Jerry Leach of Charlotte both have :53.1. This is the record.

Davie County's 440 relay team is the favorite with the very good time of :46.

In the 16-17 years olds, records should fall in at least three of the field events.

Tim Farmer's record in the shot at 58 feet, 10¾ inches seems safe. Mike Stafford of Reynolds leads the field with 52 feet.

Bobby Jones of South Mecklenburg has high jumped 6 feet, 4¾ inches and the record is 6 feet, 1¼ inches.

# Thomas Little to Receive Award at Junior Olympics

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Thomas Little of Reynolds will be among the North Carolina boys receiving national awards at the AAU Junior Olympics Saturday at Wake Forest.

Little's time of :50.5 was fourth best in the nation last year in the 16-17 year old 440-yard dash.

He is one of 11 North Carolina entries who placed in the national ratings.

Dennis Starnes of Lexington was rated nationally in the 100-yard dash with a :10.6, and Hal Peacock of Lexington received national recognition in the high jump with 5 feet, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$  inches. Both of these are in the 12-13-year-old class.

Among the 14-15 year olds, James Troxler of Burlington Jordan Sellars rated third in the 100 with a :10.1. Pike Jones of Charlotte Alexander Graham was fourth. Ronnie Smith of Hamlet ran a :13.7 in the low hurdles for a third place. The 440-yar relay team from Charlotte Alexander Graham was rated fourth.

In the 16-17 year olds, Louis Jewell of Charlotte Myers Park rated fourth in the 100-yard dash with a :10. Tommy Richardson of East Southern Pines was fifth with a :10.1.

Paul Vincent of Myers Park was fifth in the high hurdles with :15, and Nick Karres of Myers Park was fifth nationally in the shot.

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The sponsoring Jaycees may have wondered last night if the Junior Olympics had not become too much of a good thing.

A committee of track coaches, headed by meet director Dan Hackney, worked until late last night setting up the heats.

To add to the problems, a couple of schools phoned in their entries to beat the deadline, but the official list will not be announced until today.

One record that seems sure to go is the mile. The record is 4:31.2. Joe Day of Fayetteville has done a 4:17.2, and Larry Forrester of Grimsley has a 4:29.

Times in the half-mile have been good, too. Hugh Fitzpatrick leads the field with a 1:53. Day has a 1:57.8 and

Steve Whicker of East Forsyth is up near the leaders with a 1:59.

Steven Clay of Burlington Jordan Sellars, the state Negro champion, tops the high hurdlers with a :14.6. Alfred Adams of Atkins should be a top challenger with :15.

The same two boys will battle in the low hurdles, with Clay having a :19.4 and Adams a :19.6.

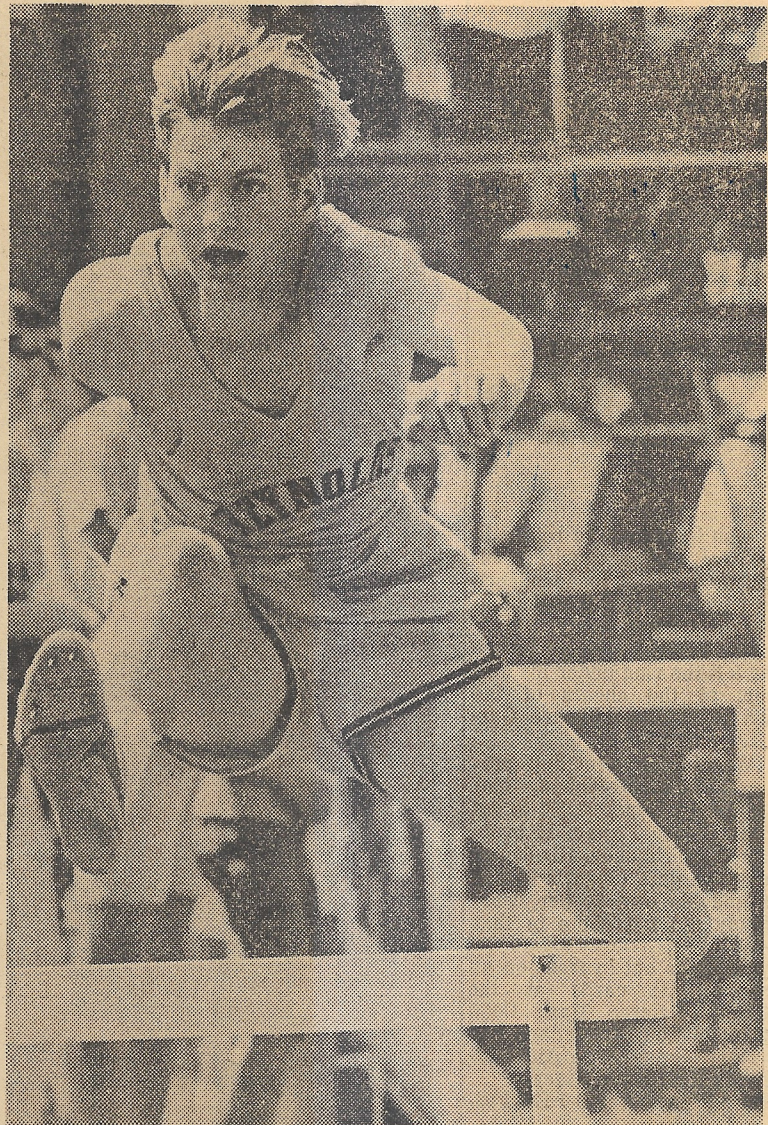
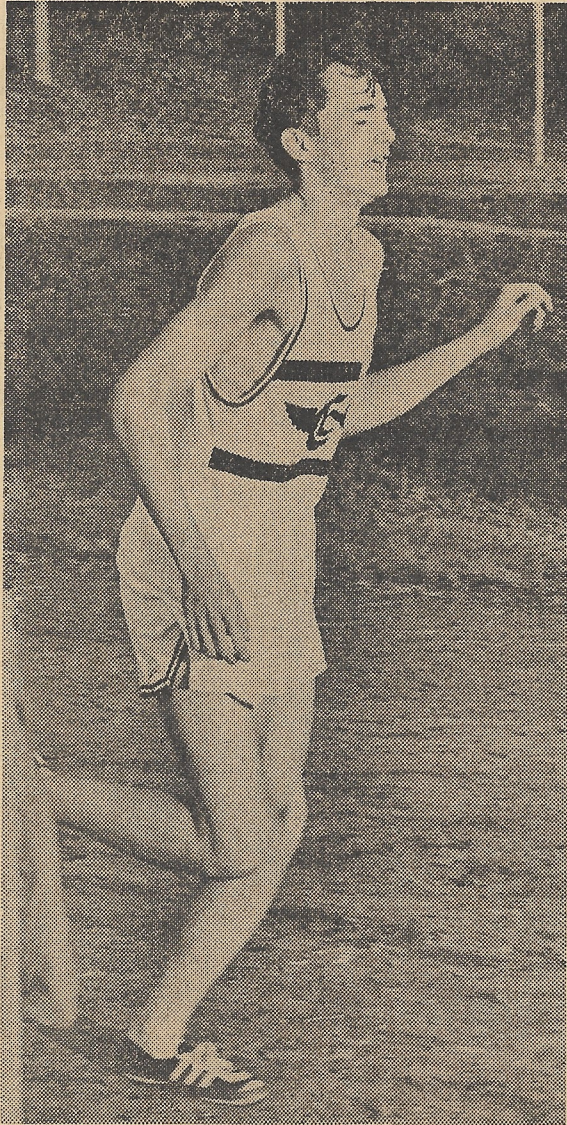
Little will not defend his

championship in the 440. Chuck Stevens of Fayetteville is the favorite with a :50.6.

Stevens also leads the 100-yard dash men with a :9.9. Three boys — Charles Hodges of Asheboro, James Troxler of Burlington Jordan Sellars and Haskel Stanback of Kannapolis — have done :10.

Stan Crews, one of Winston-Salem's top sprinters, is not entered. Troxler leads the 220 favorites with a :22.1.

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Staff Photos

East Forsyth's Steve Whicker will run in the 880 and Reynolds' Joe Bridges will perform in the hurdles events in Junior Olympics today at Wake Forest College.

# Eight Records May Tumble In Junior Olympics Today

May 25, 1968

Eight records could fall today in the Junior Olympics with 500 young athletes taking part in the competition at Wake Forest. It is the largest field since the Winston-Salem Jaycees took over sponsorship of the track meet.

The meet begins at 9:45 a.m. with field events for all three age groups and trials in the track events. Finals will be in the afternoon.

Boys in the 12-13 year age group will compete in four events.

Only one record seems likely to fall and that is in the 40-yard relay. The record is :50 and a team from Charlotte has done :48.4.

The 14-15 year old division is the largest group with 306 boys competing in nine events.

Records could fall in the 220, broad jump and shot. The 100-yard dash and the 40-yard dash records have been tied and might go.

## MORNING PROGRAM

9:45 a.m.—High jump, broad jump, shot, pole vault and discus.

High jump and broad jump start with 12-13 year olds, to 14-15 year olds and then 16-17 year olds through trials to finals. Shot starts with 14-15 year olds, to 16-17 year olds; pole vault and discus for 16-17 year olds only.

10 a.m.—100-yard dash (12-13 year old) trials

10:15 a.m.—100-yard dash (14-15 year old) trials

10:30 a.m.—100-yard dash (16-17 year old) trials

10:45 a.m.—120-yard low hurdles (14-15 year old) trials

11 a.m.—120-yard high hurdles (16-17 year old) trials

11:10 a.m.—220-yard dash (14-15 year old) trials

11:15 a.m.—220-yard dash (16-17 year old) trials

11:30 a.m.—180-yard low hurdles (16-17 year olds) trials

11:45 a.m.—440-yard relay (12-13 year olds) finals

Charles Cardwell of Paisley has a good chance to break the 220-yard mark. He has run :22.8 and the record is :23.7. He will be challenged by Larry Fry of Vass with a :23.

In the broad jump, Billy Maddox of Shelby has done 21 feet, 9½ inches and Joe Collins of Kannapolis 21 feet, 2 inches. Both are better than the record of 20 feet, 7¾ inches.

In the shot put, Allen Barger of North Rowan has thrown 59 feet and the record is 58 feet, 6½ inches.

There are 150 entries in the 16-17 year old group.

Steve Whicker of East Forsyth will defend his championship in the 880-yard run but

Thomas Little of Reynolds will not defend his 440 title.

Records should fall in the broad jump, the pole vault, the mile and the 880.

Eddie Anderson of West Mecklenburg has jumped 24 feet, 4 inches. Mike Peeler of East Rowan has done 23 feet, 5 inches and Steve Young of Chase High has 23 feet, 4 inches. The record is 21 feet, 5 inches.

In the pole vault, Phillip Whicker of Southern Pines has done 13 feet, 8 inches and the record is 13 feet, 5½ inch. Joe Bridges of Reynolds is entered.

Joe Day of Fayetteville would break the mile record. He has done 4:17.8 and the record is 4:31.2. Larry Forrester of Grimsley, who finished second last year, is back and has done 4:29.

Hugh Fitzpatrick of Asheboro is the favorite in the 880 with a 1:53. Day has a 1:57.8 and Whicker a 1:59. The record is 2:01.

## AFTERNOON PROGRAM

1:45 p.m.—Olympic ceremony for all teams.

2 p.m.—100-yard dash (12-13 year olds) finals.

2:10 p.m.—100-yard dash (14-15 year olds) finals

2:20 p.m.—100-yard dash (16-17 year olds) finals

2:30 p.m.—120-yard low hurdles (14-15 year olds) finals

2:40 p.m.—Mile run (16-17 year olds) finals.

2:55 p.m.—120-yard high hurdles (16-17 year olds) finals

3:05 p.m.—440-yard dash, timed heats (14-15 year olds) trials and finals.

3:20 p.m.—440-yard dash, timed heats (16-17 year olds) trials and finals

3:35 p.m.—880-yard run, timed heats (14-15 year olds) trials and finals

3:50 p.m.—880-yard run, timed heats (16-17 year olds) trials and finals.

4:05 p.m.—220-yard dash (14-15 year olds) finals.

4:15 p.m.—220-yard dash (16-17 year olds) finals.

4:25 p.m.—180-yard low hurdles (14-15 year olds) finals.

4:40 p.m.—440-yard relay, timed heats (14-15 year olds) trials and finals

4:55 p.m.—880-yard relay, timed heats (16-17 year olds) trials and finals.

5:10 p.m.—Mile relay, timed heats (16-17 year olds) trials and finals.

5:20 p.m. Closing Ceremony.

Times are approximate, subject to delay because of number of heats in trials.

# Ten Records Fall, One Tied In Junior Olympics Meet

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Ten records fell and another was tied yesterday when over 590 young athletes competed in the Junior Olympics at Wake Forest.

Steve Whicker of East For-

syth, winner and record setter in the 880, was voted the most outstanding athlete.

Whicker won the half-mile in 1:58.5, breaking the record of 2:01 set by Robert Jenkins of Asheville Stephens Lee in 1966.

Whicker won the 880 in 1967 and came back to defend his

title. But he ages out after this year.

He also ran the anchor spot on the East Forsyth relay team which won the mile in record-breaking time. The time was 3:22.5, breaking the record of 3:26.9 held by Charlotte Myers Park. Denny Clodfelter, Phil Coleman, Sammy Knight (who is from North Forsyth) and Whicker were the four men.

Tracy Lounsbury of Reynolds set a discus record with a toss of 163 feet, 1 inch. The record was 155 feet, 3 3/8 inches, set by Nick Karres of Charlotte Myers Park in 1956.

The 16-17 year old competitors almost rewrote their part of the record book with six marks.

Joe Day of Fayetteville set a mile record with 4:28.7 bettering the mark of 4:31.2 set by Robert Knowles of Burgaw last year.

Bobby Jones of South Mecklenburg high jumped 6 feet, 4 1/4 inches to break John Tandy's record of 6 feet, 1 1/4 inches set in 1962.

Steve Young of Forest City Chase High won the broad jump with 21 feet, 6 3/4 inches to break the record of 21 feet, 5 inches by Bill Croom of Durham in 1960.

Phillip Whicker of Southern Pines pole vaulted 13 feet, 1 1/4 inches to top Vince Struble's record of 13 feet, 3/8 inch. Struble is from Raleigh.

In the 14-15-year-olds, John Yarbrough of East Rowan won the 220 in :23.6 to break the record of :23.7 held by Joe Taylor of Washington. This event has not been run for several years.

Jim Wilkins of Roxboro broke his half-mile record, winning in 2:01.8. He had the record at 2:05.7.

Allen Barger of North Rowan threw the 8 pound shot 58 feet, 9 3/4 inches to break the record of 58 feet, 6 1/8 inches set in 1964 by Tom Roos of Greensboro.

Joe Collins of Kannapolis broke the broad jump record with a leap of 21 feet, 4 1/4 inches. The record was 20 feet,



STEVE WHICKER  
... most valuable ...

7 3/4 inches by Charles Hodges of Asheboro.

Larry Matkins of Burlington Jordan Sellars ran the low hurdles in :13.5 to tie the record.

Alfred Adams of Atkins won the low hurdles in the 16-17 year-olds with a time of :20.1. Adams was third in the highs.

Gregg Fox of Randleman was the only double winner taking first in the 100 and broad jump for 12-13-year-olds.

John Brown of Charlotte Alexander Graham won the high jump and was on the winning 440 relay team in the same age group.

Jim Troxler of Burlington Jordan Sellars won the 100-yard dash in the 16-17-year-olds and finished second in the 220.

Joe Day of Fayetteville won the mile and was second in the half-mile.

John Wulzyn of Burgaw won the shot and was second in the discus. Wulzyn was a double winner in these events in the Class A state meet.

Lounsbury won the discus and was fourth in the shot.

Winston-Salem did well in the shot. Mike Stafford of Reynolds was second, Greg Burke of North Forsyth was third and Lounsbury was fourth. Stafford was third in the discus.

# Summaries of Junior Olympics

May 26, 1968

## 12-13 YEAR OLDS

100-1. Gregg Fox, Randleman; 2. Mike Diamond, Charlotte McClintock; 3. Luther Jones, Wiley Junior; 4. Mike Gregg, Anderson Junior :11.4.  
 High Jump-1. John Brown, Charlotte Graham; 2. Mark Howard, Southern Pines; 3. Herb Wilkinson, Greenville; 4. Steve Howard, Southern Pines 5-2.  
 Broad Jump-1. Gregg Fox, Randleman; 2. Herb Wilkinson, Greensboro; 3. Marc Howard, Southern Pines; 4. Jerry Patterson, Jonesboro, 16 feet, 10 1/4 inches.  
 440-yard relay-1. Charlotte Graham (Roger DeWitt, John Brown, Scott Boone, John Priester); 2. Charlotte McClintock; 3. Roxboro; 4. Charlotte Sedgfield :51.

## 14-15 YEAR OLDS

100-1. Ed Curry, Burlington Jordan Sellers; 2. Jimmy Cardwell, Paisley; 3. Curt Fussell, Char. McClintock; 4. Van Carter, Charlotte Westside :10.3.  
 220-1. John Yarbrough, East Rowan; 2. Larry Fry, Southern Pines; 3. Marcus Mauney, Shelby; 4. Jeryl Todd, Charlotte Westside :23.6 Meet Record. Record was :23.7 set by Joe Taylor, Washington, 1963.  
 440-1. Curt Fussell, McClintock; 2. Larry Roark, Albemarle; 3. Dennis Burgess, Jacksonville; 4. Ed Potts, Charlotte York Road and Dave Schwarz, Greenville :54.5.  
 880-1. Jim Wilkins, Roxboro; 2. Lin Potts, Charlotte Quail Hollow; 3. Don Brown, Charlotte Graham; 4. Ed Price, South Rowan 2:01.8 Meet Record. Record was 2:05.7, set by Wilkins in 1966.

Shot-1. Allen Barger, North Rowan; 2. Charles Waddell, Southern Pines; 3. Riley Lowery, North Rowan; 4. Sam Crowson, Jacksonville, 58 feet, 9 3/4 in. Meet Record. Record was 58 feet, 6 1/2 in, set by Tom Roos, Greensboro, 1964.  
 High Jump - 1. Roy Quick, Hamlet; Doug Kellum, Jacksonville; 3. Dennis Griffin, York Road; 4. Doug Brotherton, Charlotte Harding, 5 feet, 8 in.  
 Broad Jump - 1. Joe Collins, Kannapolis; 2. Willis Miller, Paisley; 3. Mike Snyder, E. Mecklenburg; 4. Ronnie Rideout, E. Meck :21 feet, 4 1/4 in. Meet Record was 20 feet, 7 3/4 inches by Charles Hodges, Asheboro, 1967.

Low Hurdles - 1. Larry Matkins, Burlington Jordan Sellers; 2. John Davis, Charlotte, Alex. Graham; 3. Dennis Griffin, York Road; 4. Eddie Harry, Anderson :13.5 ties meet record.  
 440-yard Relay - 1. Charlotte York Road (Bobby Cook, Robert Nash, Julius Ardrey, Kenneth Washington); 2. East Rowan; 3. Charlotte Westside; 4. Kennedy :46.1.

## 16-17 YEAR-OLDS

100 - 1. Jim Troxler, Burlington Sellers; 2. Bill Nelson, S. Meck; 3. Pike Jones, Myers Park; 4. Haskel Stanback, Kannapolis :10.1.  
 220 - 1. Charles Hodges, Asheboro; 2. Jim Troxler, Burlington Sellers; 3. Pike Jones, Myers Park; 4. Marshall Boone, Burlington Sellers :23.  
 440 - 1. Chuck Stevens, Fayetteville; 2.

Ron Collins, New Bern; 3. Jim Parker, New Bern; 4. James Howie, Kennedy :51.9.

880 - 1. Steve Whicker, East Forsyth; 2. Joe Day, Fayetteville; 3. Clarence Pointe, Jacksonville; 4. Mike Gordon, W. Meck. 1:58.5 Meet Record. Record was 2:01 set by Robert Jenkins, Asheville Lee in 1966.

Mile - 1. Joe Day, Fayetteville; 2. Robert Knowles, Burgaw; 3. Larry Forrester, Greensboro Grimsley; 4. George Phillips, Reynolds. 4:28.7 Meet Record. Record was 4:31.2 set by Robert Knowles, Burgaw in 1967.

Mile Relay - 1. East Forsyth (Denny Clodfelter, Phil Coleman, Sammy Knight, Steve Whicker); 2. W. Meck; 3. N. Meck. 3:22.5 Meet Record. Record was 3:26.9 by Myers Park, 1966.

Shot-1. John Wulzyn, Burgaw; 2. Mike Stafford, Reynolds; 3. Greg Burke, North Forsyth; 4. Tracy Lounsbury, Reynolds 53 feet, 7 3/4 in.

Discus-1. Tracy Lounsbury, Reynolds; 2. John Wulzyn, Burgaw; 3. Mike Stafford, Reynolds; 4. Donnie Crossland, Durham Hillside 163 feet, 1 inch. Meet Record was 155 feet 3 3/8 inches by Nick Karres, Charlotte Myers Park, 1966.

High Jump-1. Bobby Jones, South Mecklenburg; 2. Norris Crigler, East Mecklenburg; 3. Walter Harper, Southern Pines; 4. Jack Lawless, East Mecklenburg 6 feet 4 1/4 inches Meet Record. Record was 6 feet, 1 1/4 in by John Tandy, Reynolds, 1966.  
 Broad Jump-1. Steve Young, Forest

City Chase; 2. Hubert West, Davie County; 3. Fred Jones, Durham Hillside; 4. Charles Hodges, Asheboro, 21 feet 6 3/4 inches. Meet Record. Record was 21 feet, 5 in by Bill Croom, Durham, 1960.

Low Hurdles-1. Alfred Adams, Atkins; 2. Mike Thompson, Lenoir; 3. James Ijames, Davie County; 4. Ronnie Smith, Hamlet :20.1.

High Hurdles-1. Mike Thompson, Lenoir; 2. Ronnie Smith, Hamlet; 3. Alfred Adams, Atkins; 4. James Ijames, Davie County :15.

Pole Vault-1. Phillip Whicker, Southern Pines; 2. Frank Fushell, Burgaw; 3. Pat Wilson, North Mecklenburg; 4. Mike Kestner, Fayetteville; 13 feet, 1 3/4 inches. Meet Record. Record was 13 feet, 5/8 inches by Vince Struble, Raleigh, 1967.

880 relay-1. Davie County (Hubert West, Dennis Cartner, Bryant Smith, James Ijames); 2. East-North Forsyth; 3. Paisley, 1:36.2.

# Top Boys in Jr. Olympics To Compete in Regionals

May 27, 1968

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Top performers in the N.C. Junior Olympics held Saturday at Wake Forest will advance to the regional meet in Charlotte, July 20, Dan Hackney, the meet director, said yesterday.

Invitations go to the first three finishers in each event, provided that event is on the regional program. Hackney said that as many as eight youngsters from each event may be invited because the meet is in North Carolina.

A North Carolina meet for girls will be held in High Point either the end of June or the first week in July. Details will be announced later.

The 14-15 year old boys will compete in the 100-yard dash, 880-yard run, high jump, low hurdles and broad jump in Charlotte.

The 14-15 year old girls will compete in 100-yard dash, 440-yard dash, 50-yard low hurdles, high jump and broad jump.

The 16-17 year old boys will compete in 100-yard dash, 440-yard dash, mile, high hurdles, high jump and broad jump. The girls will compete in 220-yard dash, 880-yard run, 50-yard low hurdles, high jump and broad jump.

There will be no relay teams, shot put, discus or pole vault in the regionals.

Hackney said that each contestant would have to pay his own way to the regionals but that the winner in each event in the regionals would receive an expense-paid trip to Knoxville, Tenn., for the national Junior Olympics in August.

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Some of the top performers in the Junior Olympics Saturday will not be able to participate at Charlotte because their event is excluded.

Tracy Lounsbury's discus throw of 163 feet, 1 inch should rank well in the national ratings.

"I borrowed John Wulzyn's discus," said Tracy. "All my throws were pretty good. I guess I throw better when it's a little cool and damp."

Wulzyn probably will never loan his discus again. He finished second.

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Steve Whicker, who won the 880-yard run and was named the top athlete in the meet, will not be able to run his specialty in the regionals.

"I ran the race just as I planned it," he said. "I make the kick a little earlier than I thought I would. I felt real

good so I just went ahead."  
 The 1:58.5 was the best he has ever had.

"This ought to rate well nationally," said Hackney. "We've never had anyone up in the half-mile before."

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Joe Day of Fayetteville will represent North Carolina in the regionals in the mile. His time of 4:28.7 was not his best showing. It was more than 10 seconds slower than his time in the state high school meet.

Day plans to go to East Carolina and will concentrate on distance running, perhaps the two-mile.

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Bobby Jones of South Mecklenburg may become one of the best high jumpers ever to come out of a North Carolina high school.

Jones is only a sophomore, but he stands an impressive 6-7. He jumped 6-4 1/4 Saturday, but he has reached half-an-inch higher.

# Junior Olympics Slated Saturday

Around 300 young athletes will take part in the North Carolina Junior Olympics to be held at Wake Forest Saturday.

Field events and trials in track events will be held starting at 9:45 a.m. Finals in the track events will be in the afternoon, starting a round 1:30 p.m.

The competition is in three age groups. Boys 12-13 years old compete in the high jump, 100-yard dash, broad jump and 440-yard relay.

Boys 14-15 years old compete in the broad jump, high jump, eight-pound shot, 100-yard dash, 220-yard dash, low hurdles, 440-yard dash, 440-yard relay and 880-yard run.

Boys 16-17 years old compete in the broad jump, high

jump, 12-pound shot, pole vault, 100-yard dash, 220-yard dash, 440-yard dash, 880-yard run, high hurdles, low hurdles, mile relay, 880 relay, discus and mile run.

The local event is sponsored by the Winston-Salem Jaycees.

Dan Hackney, the meet director, said he expected around 300 entries. The deadline for entries was not until midnight last night, so he did not have an accurate count.

"We're making a bid for a regional meet to be held in Charlotte, probably in July," said Hackney.

The national meet will be held in Knoxville, Tenn., in August.

The top three winners here

Saturday will have an opportunity to go to the regionals but will have to pay their own way.

Winners in the regionals will have their expenses paid to the national meet.

Only two Winston-Salem schools have entered but more are expected.

Reynolds' team includes Jese Brower, George Phillips, Mike Stafford, Tracy Lounsbury, Joe Bridges, Curt Bjorling, Ron Fountain, Jerome Witten, Johnny Jones, Harold Kennedy, Harvey Kennedy, David Plummer and Bob Montgomery.

Summit School has entered Steve Roberts, Rob Fowler, Joe Ward, Chris Butler, Holt Williamson and Alex Alexander.