

# RYUN BRINGS OUT BEST IN RIVALS WITH 3:55.9 WIN

**Kansan Runs Fastest Mile in World This Season;  
Seagren, Beamon, Davenport All Impressive Winners**

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The surest way to run a lifetime best in the mile is get in a race with Jim Ryun.

You won't win, but you'll run your best just to stay in the race.

Ryun emerged from the shadows of an injury-ridden season Saturday night to trounce America's best milers in a 3:55.9 Compton mile, fastest in the world this season.

The Kansas senior, holder of the world record of 3:51.1, was the only one of the first five finishers not to run his all-time best. Running each quarter at a progressively faster pace, Ryun won by six yards from fast-finishing Sam Bair, the tiny ex-Kent State miler, at the Coliseum.

## **LaBenz Finishes Far Back**

Chuck LaBenz, whose 3:58.4 last week in the Kennedy Games had been the world's best, was never a factor in the race. He finished a distant seventh in the feature of the Coliseum-Compton Invitational before 10,269.

Two Villanova runners, Marty Liquori and Frank Murphy, finished third and fourth in 3:57.6 and 3:58.1, with ex-Kansas cross-country star John Lawson fifth in 3:59.3.

John Mason, who faded to sixth, at the finish, led the nine-man field through the first two laps in a slow 61.8, then stepped up 59.5 to pass the 880 in 2:01.3. Ryun trailed in ninth through the first 440, then

moved up a couple of notches to post a 2:01.7.

Murphy led at three-quarters in 2:00.4 with Ryun right at his shoulder. With 250 yards to go Ryun turned on his famous kick and it was like old times, running away from the pack with every stride.

"It really feels good to run under four minutes again," said Ryun, who hadn't in an open race since last August. "I feel especially good because I had been worried about my knee. I had absolutely no problem with it tonight. The only real problem I had was nervousness before the race. I certainly didn't want to start the race and then drop out."

Ryun, whose quarters were 62.3, 59.4, 58.7 and 55.5, praised Mason for his pace.

"The pace was just beautiful and I'd like to thank the guys in the race for doing such a good job," he said. "I don't like to go out in front unless I have to, but it was just right for me. Before tonight I was apprehensive about this whole season, but now I am looking forward to all the races. If everything goes right it would be nice to run against Kip Keino again."

Keino defeated Ryun in the Olympic Games 1,500 meters in 3:34.9.

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# Ryun Returns With 3:55.9 Mile Victory

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Several other world bests were posted on a still, warm evening.

USC's 440-yard relay team, prepping for defense of its NCAA championship, ran 39.3 to win handily after the Houston Striders dropped the baton on the final handoff. The Striders' Clyde Gleson would have been off even with Miller had he received the stick.

Miller withdrew from the 100 to anchor the relay team.

Veteran Neal Steinhauer defeated Kansas' sophomore, Karl Salb, with a 67-8 shot put effort, but still wasn't satisfied.

"I have done 68-8 in practice, so there's no reason I can't get up to 70 feet one of these days," said the Super Duck.

## Carlos Wins Sprints

Big John Carlos, wearing a black armband in mourning for his father who died last week, won both sprints in 9.5 and 20.7. UCLA's Jerry Bright ran 21.1 for second in the furlong.

Olympic champions Bob Beamon, Willie Davenport and Bob Seagren came through with impressive victories.

Beamon leaped 26-1 $\frac{1}{4}$ , his best in the outdoor season, on his final jump to defeat the junior college record-holder Henry Hines of Sacramento. Hines leaped 25-5 $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Davenport, who was upset two weeks ago by Leon Coleman, had no trouble Saturday night as he blitzed Coleman with a 13.5 effort. Coleman was second in 13.8, with USC's Herman Franklin a close third in 13.9.

## Equals Meet Record

Davenport's time equalled the meet record set in 1960 by another Olympic champion, Lee Calhoun. It also broke the Coliseum record of 13.6 set in 1951 by Dick Attlesley. Calhoun's 13.5 was made was held at Compton's Ramsaur Stadium.

Seagren had a near miss at a world record height of 18 feet after setting a meet record of 17-6 $\frac{1}{4}$ , a height he shared with fellow Olympian John Pennel, who finished second.

The night's other meet record went to world record holder Jay Silvester with a 208-2 discus throw to beat Czechoslovakia's Ludvik Danek and olympic champion Al Oerter.

Other top marks included a 3:05.9 mile relay by UCLA, helped along by a 45.7 lap by Len Van Hofwegen; a 278-6 javelin throw, second longest in Coliseum history, by Arizona State sophomore Mark Murro, and a 1:48.8 half-mile by Dave Matina of Texas in upsetting NCAA champion Byron Dyce of NYU and Olympian Wade Bell.

Chi Cheng, bronze med-

alist in the Olympic Games 100 Ometers, reversed a decision with Barbara Ferrell, Olympic silver medalist, with a 10.7 win in the women's 100. Olympic champion Madeline Manning won the 880 in 2:04.7, easily outdistancing Doris Brown.

100—1. John Carlos (unat., San Jose), 9.5; 2. Andrew Hopkins (Oxnard Striders), 14.1; 3. Fred Kuster (USC), 9.7; 4. Eddie Hart (Contra Costa CC), 9.1; 5. Jacker Matthews (Kansas), 11.

HAMMER—1. George Frenn (Pacific Coast Club), 209.3; 2. Hal Connolly (unat., Culver City), 174.4; 3. Larry Hart (U.S. Army), 203.4; 4. Wayne Pensburn (U.S. Army), 177.4; 5. Steve Thomson (New York AC), 183.7.

1,000 METER WALK—1. Ron Laird (NYAC), 1:13.1 (American record, and mark, 1957); 2. Henry Latta, 1:20.1; 3. Larry Walker (Striders), 1:24.1; 4. Marlin Ruder (unat.), 1:19.4; 5. Jim Hanley (Striders), 1:18.4; 6. Bob Bowman (Striders), 1:24.8.

100 YD (First Section)—1. Willie Davenport (Houston Striders), 12.5 (equal meet record by Lee Calhoun, 1960); 2. Leon Coleman (Striders), 13.8; 3. Herman Franklin (USC), 13.9; 4. Tom Wang (Striders), 14.2; 5. Striders, 14.5; 6. Paul Gibson (Texas El Paso), 14.0.

100 YD (Second Section)—1. Gary Powers (Striders), 14.0; 2. George Rivers (Kansas), 14.1; 3. Tyrone Dutton (USC), 14.3; 4. Brian Fackingham (Pacific CC), 14.2.

JAVELIN—1. Mark Murro (Arizona State), 294.4; 2. Frank Cowell (Pacific CC), 294.4; 3. John FitzSimons (Pacific CC), 284.4; 4. Ben Laville (Striders), 252.0; 5. Jim Stevenson (Striders), 245.2.

400—1. Al Coffey (Louisiana State), 46.7; 2. Edsel Garrison (USC), 46.7; 3. Jay Chiel (UC Santa Barbara), 47.4; 4. Ron Taylor (Pacific CC), 47.4; no other entries.

800—1. Neal Steinhauer (U.S. Army), 49.4; 2. Karl Salb (Kansas), 44.9; 3. Bruce Williams (Athens TC), 46.1; 4. Steve Williams (Kansas), 45.7; 5. Carl Warren (U.S. Army), 51.8.

1,600—1. Wes Williams (San Diego State), 5:47; 2. Ralph Mann (BYU), 5:5.2; 3. Dave Adams (U.S. Army), 5:11.1; 4. Jim Seymour (Golden West JC), 5:41; 5. No 1179; (Paddy McCrory finished 800, but was disqualified for trading his leg over hurdle).

400 RELAY—1. USC (Rich Caulder, Fred Kuster, Edsel Garrison, Lancel Miller), 1:31; 2. UCLA, 1:38; 3. California, 1:38; 4. Kansas, 1:40; 5. U.S. Army, 4:6.

800—1. Dave Matina (Texas), 1:48.8; 2. Byron Dyce (NYU), 1:49.3; 3. Wade Bell (Oregon TC), 1:49.3; 4. Mike Mosley (Texas), 1:49.4; 5. Rich Jantz (USC), 1:49.1.

1,600 JUMP—1. Bob Seagren (unat., New York), 24-1 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 2. Henry Hines (Sacramento CC), 23-2 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 3. Patti Pausi (BYU), 24-10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 4. Gayle Watkins (Pacific CC), 24-4; 5. Stan Whittier (Kansas), 22-10 $\frac{1}{4}$ .

500 METER—1. Jim Byrnes (Kansas), 2:15.7; 2. Sam Bair (unat., East Ohio), 2:24.7; 3. Mark Lippert (Williams), 2:28.4; 4. Frank Murro (Czechoslovakia), 2:29.1; 5. John Larson (Pacific CC), 2:36.3.

200—1. John Carlos (unat., San Jose), 20.7; 2. Wayne Collett (UCLA), 21.1; 3. Edsel Garrison (USC), 21.7; 4. Jerry Bright (Arizona State), 21.1; 5. Clyde Gleson (Houston Striders), 21.5.

DISCUS—1. Jay Silvester (Contra TC), 208.2 (meet record, and mark, Silvester, 1961); 2. Ludvik Danek (Czechoslovakia), 200.4; 3. Jon Cole

(unat., Phoenix), 199.1; 4. Al Oerter (NYAC), 199.1; 5. No between Ed Harris (unat., Fullerton) and Gary Carlson (Striders), 199.1.

5,000 METERS—1. Juan Martinez (Mexico), 15:44.4; 2. Tracy Smith (US Army), 15:45.4; 3. Conrad Nightingale (U.S. Army), 15:54.4; 4. Jerry Jobal (Arizona State), 15:57.4; 5. Doug Webb (U.S. Army), 15:58.2.

TRIPLE JUMP—1. Patti Pausi (BYU), 31-8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 2. Nelson Prudencio (Brazil), 31-14 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 3. Gary Watkins (Cal State LA), 30-10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 4. Lincoln Jackson (Athens TC), 29-8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 5. Dave Ford (Striders), 29-4 $\frac{1}{4}$ .

MILE RELAY—1. UCLA (John Smith 47.1; Len Van Hofwegen, 45.7; Andy Young, 46.7; Wayne Collett, 46.4), 3:05.9; 2. Texas, 3:07.4; 3. U.S. Army, 3:09.4; 4. Occidental, 3:14.4; no other entries.

POLE VAULT—1. Bob Seagren (USC), 17-0 (American record, and mark, 1961); 2. Len Van Hofwegen, 15.7; 3. Dick Reiback, UCLA, 15.7; 4. John Pennel (Striders), 17-4 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 5. Dick Reiback (UCLA), 16-4; 6. Brian Mustaker (Palo Alto), 16-4; 7. No between Steve Smith (South Tennessee High) and Andy Soper (Occidental), 16-4.

HIGH JUMP—1. Chi Cheng (Striders), 6-8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 2. Ed Caulder (Pacific CC), 6-10; 3. Lorenzo Allen (Arizona), 6-8; 4. Raynold Brown (Contra High), 6-4; 5. John Rambo (Pacific CC), 6-5.

5,000 METER STEEPCHASE—1. Barry Brown (NYAC), 8:36.4; 2. Bob Price (Athens AC), 8:48.4; 3. Ron Patterson (Palo Alto), 8:52.4; 4. Gary Tuttle (Humboldt State), 8:52.4; 5. Tom Donnelly (Williams), 9:22.4.

100 — Chi Cheng (Crown City), 10.7; 2. Barbara Fennel (L.A. Marquette), 10.8; 3. Iva Davis (Tennessee State), 10.8; 4. Don DeBuck (L.A. Marquette), 11.2; 5. Pam Carter (unat.), 11.2.

800—1. Madeline Manning (Tennessee State), 2:04.7; 2. Cora Brown (Oregon TC), 2:07.4; 3. Kathy Hammond (unat., Sacramento), 2:12.4; 4. Debbie Harris (Southern California Mission), 2:12.4; 5. Lois Drinkwater (Oxnard TC), 2:14.1.

COLLEGE-JUNIOR COLLEGE MILE RELAY—1. Cal State (LBS Morales, Rich, Edsall, Connel), 3:04.9; 2. Sacramento CC, 3:15.1; 3. LACC, 3:16.1; no other finishers.