

36th IC4A Indoor Championships
 Madison Square Garden, New York, NY
 March 2, 1957

Madison Square Garden, Mar 2— Ron Delany won an unprecedented 1000 yard, 2-mile double to lead Villanova to its first IC4A indoor title.

Delany's 2-mile victory was labelled by some experts as the most exciting race the Garden has seen since Ray Conger upset Paavo Nurmi in the 1929 Wanamaker Mile. After winning his 1000 heat in 2:14.0 and coasting home little over a yard ahead of fast finishing Ike Matza for identical time in the final, Delany tackled the 2-mile race 48 minutes later.

Delany dropped to the rear of the 17-man 2-mile field for three laps, then began to work his way up. Hoping to run one-two with his teammate, Alex Breckenridge, Delany found himself three laps from home, trailing Lew Stieglitz of Connecticut by 50 yards. It was then the Olympic champion began to run.

His legs churning with his short, quick stride, Delany gained 10 yards every half lap of the 160 yard oval. The crowd of 7000, which usually boos Delany for not breaking records, suddenly found itself screaming for him. Delany overtook the struggling Stieglitz on the last turn and flashed home with 8 yards to spare.

Lap times of Delany and Stieglitz:

440	Stieglitz 67.2, Delany 69.8	1½	Stieglitz 5:43.3, Delany 5:48.9
880	Stieglitz 2:16.9, Delany 2:19.1	1¾	Stieglitz 6:53.3, Delany 7:00.4
1320	Stieglitz 3:27.3, Delany 3:29.0	1½	Stieglitz 8:01.6, Delany 8:09.1
Mile	Stieglitz 4:34.7, Delany 4:39.1	2	Stieglitz 9:08.2, Delany 9:06.6

Delany's last lap, in 57.5, won him a new IC4A record, breaking George King's 9:07, and also maintained his winning streak indoors, which now stands at 15 in a row.

The only other meet record came in the high jump, where two Villanova men cleared 6'9½". Olympian Phil Reavis had trouble, needing all three trials at both 6'8½" and 6'9½". But his surprising sophomore teammate, Charley Stead, cleared both on his first attempt, a personal record each time.

Other individual titles in Villanova's record haul of six were Charley Jenkins' gun-to-tape 600 in 1:12.1, Don Bragg's 15-foot vault, and a mile relay victory in 3:20.6 without Jenkins.

Dave Sime came from behind to nip Villanova's George Sydnor in a 60 for his first major championship. Sydnor's taped thigh, pulled two weeks ago, gave no apparent trouble.

Manhattan, winner in 5 of the past 6 years, came up with only two individual champs. Lou Knight twice tied the 60 yard high hurdle record of 7.2, and Ken Bantum won the shot with 55'7¼", failing to break Al Blozis' 16-year-old meet record.

Manhattan was nipped in both relays. The 2-mile was a thriller, as Georgetown's Carney came from behind to win by a long yard.

Burr Grim of Maryland, outdoor champion in 1955 (4:09.9), set his usual fast mile pace and was a lonely man all the way, winning by over 50 yards in 4:10.1.

In a special event, Tom Courtney ran the fastest ever indoor 1320, clocking 2 59. 5, but it is not a record because he ran from scratch in a handicap race. Two scratch runners turned in good 600's. Reggie Pearman won in 1 12. 9, and John Tucker won in 1 11. 2.

60- Sime, Duke(6. 2), 2, Sydnor, Vil., 3, Baratta, Adelphi, 4, Davis, LS, 5, Carper, Pitt

600- Jenkins(1 12 1), 2, Ingley, Cor. (1 12. 8), 3, Merritt, HC(1 13. 0), 4, Skerritt, Y (1 15. 1), 5, Gavaghan, St. Joseph's(1.18 1)

1000- Delany(2:14 0), 2, Matza, NYU(2 14 2), 3, Soprano, Man (2.15. 3), 4,

O'Donnell, St. Joseph's(2.15. 5), 5, Stevens, St. John's(2:16. 5)

Mile- Grim, Md (4:10. 1), 2, Moran, PS(4:19. 1), 3, Kopl, Vil (4:19. 9), 4, Close, St. John's(4:20 5), 5, Osborne, Syracuse(4:21. 3)

2-mile- Delany(9:06. 6), 2, Stieglitz(9.08. 0), 3, Breckenridge(9:19. 7), 4, Reider, Harvard(9 21. 2), 5, Timon, Pitt(9:24 8)

60 HH-Knight(7. 2), 2, Perry, PS, 3, Winston, PS, 4, Holup, Vil., 5, Mairs, RI

HJ - tie: Stead & Reavis(6'9½"), 3, Tait, Md (6'5½"), 4, Gardner, St. John's

PV- Bragg(15'), 2, Zimmerman, Penn(14'1¼"), 3, Hoyle, Marquette(13'8"), 4, tie:

Norris, PS, Fuehrer, PS, Gray, Penn, & Carter, NH(13'4")

BJ - Herman, NYU(23'6½"), 2, Davis, LS(23'4¾"), 3, King, Cor. (23'2), 4, Peyton, Pr.

SP- Bantum(55'7¼"), 2, Allman, Cor. (50'10¼"), 3, Cooke, Md. (50'10"), 4,

Cafarella, BU(50'6½"), 5, Shue, Penn(50'4½")

35-lb Wt- Bixby, Dart. (59'5¼"), 2, Bagdonas, Army(57'8¾"), 3, Knorr, Prin (56'5½")

4, Harpel, Harvard(54'10"), 5, Bantum(52'11¾")

Mile R- Villanova (3.20. 6 - Maliff 51. 2, Furlinger 50 6, Peterson 49 1,

Collymore 49. 7), 2, Man (3:22. 2), 3, Syr. (3:22 4), 4, Army(3:25 6), 5, Pitt(3:26. 5) 6, St. Joseph's(3:26 9), 7, Seton Hall(3:27. 2)

2-mile R- Georgetown(7 48. 4 - Bisbee 2.01 3, Williams 1 56. 8, Nelson 1:55 5,

Carney 1 54. 8), 2, Man. (7 48. 6), 3, Ford. (7:49), 4, Pitt(7:50. 5); 5, Syr (7.54. 0), 6, Harvard(8 03 9), 7, Army; 8, Penn

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 2—Here are the results of the IC-4A Track meet held here today:

35-POUND WEIGHT THROW—1. George Bixby, Dartmouth. 59 feet, 5¼ inches; 2. Ed Bagdonas, Army. 57. 8¾; 3. Dick Knorr, Princeton. 56. 5½; 4. Pete Harpel, Harvard. 54. 10; 5. Ken Bantum, Manhattan. 52. 11¾.

RUNNING BROAD JUMP—1. Mike Herman, New York University. 23 feet, 6½ inches; 2. Ira Davis, La Salle (Philadelphia) 23. 4¾; 3. John King, Cornell. 23. 2; 4. Murray Payton, Princeton. 23. 1; 5. Pete Bessinger, Yale. 22. 9¼.

60-YARD HIGH HURDLES—1. Lou Knight, Manhattan; 2. Rod Perry, Penn State; 3. Dick Winston, Penn State; 4. Bob Holup, Villanova; 5. Bob Mairs, Rhode Island. Time—7.2 (equals meet record).

60-YARD DASH—1. Dave Sime, Duke; 2. George Sydnor, Villanova; 3. Bob Baratta, Adelphi; 4. Ira Davis, La Salle (Philadelphia); 5. Herb Carper, Pitt. Time—6.2.

POLE VAULT—1. Don Bragg, Villanova, 15 feet; 2. Van Zimmerman, Penn.,

14-11¼; 3. Ed Hoyle, Marquette. 13-8; 4. tie among Harry Fuehrer and Ogler Norris, both of Penn State; John Gray, Penn. and Maurice Carter New Hampshire 13-4.

1000-YARD RUN—1 Ron Diany, Villanova; 2. Ike Matza, N.Y.U.; 3. Joe Soprano, Manhattan; 4. Jim O'Donnell, St. Joseph's (Pa.); 5. Lionel Stevens, St. John's. 2:14.

ONE-MILE RUN—1. Burr Grim, Maryland; 2. Ed Moran, Penn State; 3. John Kopl, Villanova; 4. Peter Close, St. John's; 5. Bob Osborne, Syracuse. 4:10.1.

600-YARD RUN—1. Charlie Jenkins, Villanova; 2. John Ingley, Cornell; 3. Bill Merritt, Holy Cross; 4. Bob Skerritt, Yale; 5. Jim Gavaghan, St. Joseph's (Pa.), 1:12.1.