

70th IC4A XC Championships
Van Cortlandt Park, Bronx, NY
October 27, 1978

Championship division

Individual: 1. Sydney Maree, Villanova, 24:04 2. Amos Kip Korir, Villanova, 24:13.1 3. Dave Cornwell, Maryland, 24:26 4. Mike Quinn, Massachusetts, 24:29 5. Dave Wilson, West Virginia, 24:45 6. Pete Pfitzinger, Cornell, 24:46 7. Art Switcheko, Dartmouth, 24:48 8. John Burns, Villanova, 24:51 9. James Shields, William & Mary, 24:53 10. Rob Earl, Villanova, 24:55 11. Marty Ludwikowski, Manhattan, 24:56 12. Paul Marzan, FDU, 24:57; 13. Dave Dobrzynski, Georgetown, 25:01; 14. John Green, Maryland, 25:04; 15. Paul Steeds, FDU, 25:07; 16. John Enright, Army, 25:09; 17. Ross Donoghue, St. John's, 25:09; 18. Kevin Dillon, Villanova, 25:11; 19. Jim Flynn, Villanova, 25:13; 20. Paul Friedman, Rutgers, 25:13; 21. Barry Nelson, FDU, 25:18; 22. James Hopkins, Rutgers, 25:20; 23. Brad Gair, Villanova, 25:20; 24. Jim Casey, West Virginia, 25:20.7; 25. Rich Walls, Mass., 25:21.

TEAM SCORES — Villanova 36; Fairleigh-Dickinson 136; UMass 137; Rutgers 156; Cornell 160; Maryland 177; Army 185; Georgetown 188; St. John's 199; Manhattan 235; William & Mary 272; Dartmouth 291; Northeastern 336; Columbia 349; St. Joseph's 359; Syracuse 390; Boston College 466; Holy Cross 483; Brown 493; West Virginia DNF.

**University Division
(5-Miles)**

1. Mark Kimball, Boston University, 24:51.5; 2. John Rayo, Fordham, 25:14; 3. Kevin Murphy, CW Post, 25:21; 4. Robert Orazem, East Stroudsberg, 25:28; 5. Norm Detholff, Millersville State, 25:31; 6. Ken Wedttlaufer, Bates, 25:34; 7. John Williams, Adelphi, 25:36; 8. Alan Treffinger, Millersville State, 25:40; 9. Pat Quirk, West Chester, 25:42; 10. Greg Hobbs, Iona, 25:46.

TEAM SCORES — Millersville State 106; East Stroudsberg 107; Bates 116; Iona 147; C.W. Post 183; Delaware 192; Adelphi 192; Lafayette 209; Vermont 210; West Chester St. 281; Colgate 232; Fordham 269; Lasalle 275; Temple 316; Drexel 334; Boston University DNF.

**College Division
(5 Miles)**

1. Charles Wimberly, George Mason, 25:06.7; 2. Otha Carey, George Mason, 25:16.1; 3. Buddy Bostick, Mason, 25:16.1; 3. Buddy Bostick, Brandeis, 25:19; 4. W. Newhall, Springfield, 25:20; 5. Matt Wilson, Loyola of Maryland, 25:21; 6. Dom Finelli, Brandeis, 25:24; 7. Rod Garland, Brandeis, 25:31; 8. Gerald Scholder, Marist, 25:35; 9. William Geating, Gettysburg, 25:41; 10. Neil Poffenberger, Towson State, 25:42

TEAM SCORES — Brandeis 52; George Mason 87; Gettysburg 105; Marist 128; Springfield 171; Catholic 211; Rider 229; Montclair State 233; Rochester 251; Amherst 253; Buffalo 270; Towson State 273; St. Bonaventure 327; Philadelphia Textile 347; Bentley 350; Kings Point 361; Fitchburg St. 399; Lowell 460; CCNY 468; Wagner 524; Bryant 628.

'African Connection' Is Key for Villanova

By ELLIOTT DENMAN
Press Staff Writer

NEW YORK — Once upon an earlier athletic era, The Irish Connection carried Villanova University to footracing glories.

Villanova's supply of championship trophies hasn't slowed a perceptible bit in recent years. But now the Wildcats are doing it with The African Connection.

Sophomores Sydney Maree of South Africa and Amos Kipkorir of Kenya ran 1-2 yesterday and thus carried Villanova to the team title in the 70th annual Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America Cross-Country Championships at Van Cortlandt Park.

Coach James "Jumbo" Elliott's Wildcats did it with the runaway low total of 36 points. It was their first IC4A crown since 1971 and they did it with one of the lowest scores in IC4A annals.

Maree became the first IC4A king from Africa since Steve Machooka won this classic five-mile test, the oldest intercollegiate cross-country event in the nation, for Cornell back in 1961. Maree did it in 24:04.0, thus missing the IC4A record of 23:51.0 by Penn's David Merrick by just 13 seconds.

"I think I might have had that record, too," said Maree after he had toweled off from the run up and over Van Cortlandt's flats, backwoods and feared Cemetery Hill.

"I was running with plenty left. If it wasn't my teammate closest to me, I might gone a lot faster."

Kipkorir landed second in 24:13.1 and was followed by teammates John Burns in eighth, Rob Earl in 10th and Kevin Dillon in 18th to lock it up.

This IC4A run was held earlier than ever before, in deference to the NCAA District II Regionals to be held at Lehigh Nov. 11, and consequent scheduling problems kept away several traditional IC4A powers, including Princeton, Harvard and Yale, who were

booked for their own Big Three race yesterday.

Fairleigh Dickinson, winner of the 1977 IC4A University Division title, moved up to the Championship Division for the first time and did it in style. Coach Walt Marusyn's Bergen County Knights claimed second with 136 points, exactly 100 behind Villanova but one ahead of Massachusetts, the 1977 IC4A titlist.

Rutgers ran fourth with Cornell fifth, Maryland sixth and Army seventh.

This year's University Division team crown went to Millersville, Pa. State College, over East Stroudsburg and Bates, 106-107-116. Individual champion was Mark Kimball of Boston University in 24:51.5.

Brandeis ran off with the College Division crown with 52 points while George Mason University of Virginia had the gold medalist in freshman Chuck Wimberly in 24:50.

Running 24th in the Championship Division run in what he called "the best race of my college career was Jim Casey, the ex-Manalapan High School schoolboy flash who was dominating Shore events at this time two seasons back. He was clocked in 24:50.7.

"What a difference a year makes," was Casey's tune. "A year ago, I was 127th. Must be those good West Virginia hills I train on and those 15-mile Sunday workouts.

"And I've got to give a lot of credit to this guy right here." At Casey's left was running mate Dave Wilson, who placed fifth. "He makes me work in practice and he keeps my mind going. They said I made the All-IC4A team by placing 24th.

"Now if I can only make All-NCAA..."

First man over the line for Rutgers was former Madison Central High School star Paul Friedman, in 20th. FDU's leader, surprisingly, was not Canadian soph "pheenom" Paul Steeds. Instead, it was Paul Marzan in 12th as Steeds, the 1977 N.J. college champion, settled for 15th.

Monmouth College had two entries in the College Division. Mike Fine placed 147th and Greg Bordiuk 133rd.

Harriers Take IC4A Crown With A 97 Point Margin

Led by Sydney Maree and Amos Kip Korir the Villanova harriers won the 70th annual IC4A Cross Country Championship last Friday at New York City's Van Cortland Park.

In winning for the first time since 1971, the Wildcats tallied 39 points, 97 points better than second place Fairleigh Dickinson. Behind Fairleigh Dickinson were, among others, the University of Massachusetts, Rutgers, a tough Cornell team, Navy and preseason favorite Georgetown. Villanova's five man average time of 24:38 was the fastest in IC4A history and is indicative of the teams capabilities.

Another indication of the teams ability was Sydney Maree's uncontested first place finish. Sydney, who finished tenth in this race last year, cruised to a time of 24:04.0, the sixth fastest ever on the five mile Van Cortland Park Course.

Amos Kip Korir, third in last year's Junior College Nationals, was second in 24:13.1, succumbing to Sydney's awesome final kick. Amos was unchallenged for second place and finished 100 yards ahead of Maryland's Dave Cornwell, his nearest competition.

In third place for Villanova, and

team captain, John Burns. "Burnsy," one of the keys to the teams success this year finished in 24:51.2, comfortably ahead of the first place finisher from runner-up Fairleigh Dickinson.

Rob Earl, who planned a top ten finish earlier in the week, did just that, finishing tenth in 24:55.8. Rob, a member of the Canadian Junior National team, moved into the top fifteen ever from Villanova at Van Cortland Park with his performance and appears ready for post season competition.

Kevin Dillon, another member of the Canadian Junior National team, was fifth for Villanova and eighteenth overall in 25:11.8. As an example of Villanova's domination, Kevin, who completed the scoring contingent, was across the line before any other team had two men across.

Close behind Kevin in nineteenth was senior walk-on Jim Flynn, who finished in 25:13.2. Jim, who wasn't sure he was going to run this year, appears to be in top shape and has added substantially to the teams depth.

Frosh walk-on Brad Gair was twenty-third in 25:20.3, rounding out Villanova's varsity team. Brad, a surprise this year, has had some fine performances this year and been the model of consistency.

The team races again next weekend when they travel to Lehigh for the NCAA Region 2 sectional meet. The first five teams in this race will then travel to Madison, Wisconsin for the NCAA Championships. Villanova, ranked number six nationally by Harrier magazine, is co-favored with number four ranked Penn State to take the sectional title. This is a grudge race for Villanova as they face Penn State, the only team to beat them this year and also the only Eastern team ranked ahead of them nationally.

Maree paces Villanova to IC4A crosscountry title

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Massachusetts, the defending champion, wound up third with 147, followed by Rutgers with 156 and Cornell with 160.

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Millersville (Pa.) State edged East Stroudsburg, 106-107, in the battle for the team title. Bates was third with 160.

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Brandeis successfully defended the team title with 52 points. George Mason was second with 87, followed by Gettysburg with 105.

"There is nobody in this district that can stay with Villanova," said O'Brien.

O'Brien said Villanova has runners from Africa and Canada. Its first two finishers hailed from Africa.

Sophomore Sydney Maree, who finished 10th last year, took first on the five mile course in 24:04.

In second for Villanova and in the race was Amos Kip Karir of Kenya, who finished in 24:13. Third was Dave Cornwell of

time.

Kevin McCusker took fourth for UMass in 25:41 for 43rd, and while Mike Morris was timed for the same time, he was 45th in line at the finish.

Bob Martin was 49th for UMass at 25:51.

O'Brien was pleased with his team's performance, saying "it was the best team performance this year."

"Before the meet, I thought that there were eight or nine teams with the ability to finish

George Mason 2nd in IC4A

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The Wildcats finished with 36 points, followed by Fairleigh Dickinson with 136 and defending champion Massachusetts with 137.

Among the Washington-area teams, Maryland was sixth with 177 points and Georgetown, second a year ago, eight with 188. George Mason, in its first year of IC4A competition, captured the top two spots to take second place in the college division. Catholic followed in sixth position.

Luis Ostolozaga of Manhattan set an extremely fast pace for the first mile. But Villanova's sophomore tandem of Sydney Maree and Amos Kip Korir grabbed the lead at the 2 1/2-mile mark and coasted home. Maree won in 24:04.0, followed by Korir, 24:13.1. The Wildcats' other scorers were John Burns (eighth, 24:51.2) Rob Earl (10th, 24:55.8) and Kevin Dillon (18th, 25:11.8).

"This is the best cross country team that Villanova has had in many years," said Maree of the Wildcats, who won the championship for the eight time since 1961.

Dave Cornwall of Maryland was third in 24:26.5 and the Terps' John Green grabbed in 14th place, 25:04.9, but the team did not have another runner in the top 40, accounting for its six-place finish. Maryland's other scorers were James Hage (44th, 25:42.1) Martin Green (50th, 25:53.0) and John Cornwall (73rd, 26:16.3).

Dave Dobrzynski earned All-IC4A honors for the fourth time with a 14th-place finish (25:01.7) to pace Georgetown, which finished out of the top four for the first time in five years. Dobrzynski was followed by Phil Reilly (35th, 25:36.1), Kevin Byrne (39th, 25:37.2), John Gregorek (46th, 25:44.9) and Tom Grimes (64th, 26:08.5).

George Mason freshman Chuck Wimberly, out of Edison High School, captured individual honors in the college division, covering the five-mile distance in 25:06.7. Senior teammate Dee Caret of Woodbridge, Va., stayed with Wimberly most of the way and took second in 25:16.1. The other Patriot scorers were Mike Stafford (11th, 25:44.5), Ken Shipp (24th, 26:31.9) and Paul Burleson (49th, 27:08.0) as George Mason finished with 87 points, trailing defending champion Brandeis with 52.

Catholic's top performer was Rich Brody in 12th place with a time of 25:55.1. The Cardinals' other scorers were John Papp (21st, 26:26.7), Ken Frawley (28th, 26:35.1), Tom Hanrahan (56th, 27:19.7) and Robert Gramham (95th, 28:20.5).

UMass runners third in IC4As

NEW YORK — The University of Massachusetts men's cross country team took third place in the 70th annual IC4A divisional championship held at Van Cortland Park Friday.

A revamped Villanova squad, with some top international cross country runners, easily won the championship ahead of second place Fairleigh-Dickinson College.

Villanova scored 36 points and Fairleigh-Dickinson 136 and UMass 137. Rutgers finished fourth with 156.

UMass coach Ken O'Brien said the easy win for Villanova was expected although it had finished fourth last year to first place UMass.

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Maryland in 24:26.

In fourth was UMass' Mike Quinn, a senior who turned in his fastest time in his four years at UMass, 24:29.

Lou Panaccione, who could have finished third for UMass, froped out of the race after two miles because of a virus which had bothered him all week.

Finishing second for UMass was junior Rick Walls, who also turned in his fastest time on the course. He improves his previous time by over a minute, finishing in 25:21 for 25th place.

Mike Dorion finished third for UMass in 25:26, also his fastest

anywhere from the second to 10th spots. I knew Villanova would take first."

O'Brien said that if Panaccione, who took 20th in the same race last year, had finished, UMass would have taken second place.

"Under the conditions, I am happy to take third. We have won our share of first places," said O'Brien, whose teams had won the championships in 1977 and 1974.

For Fairleigh-Dickinson, this was its first year competing in the University Division.

The next competition for UMass is this weekend at Vermont for the Easterns.

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Bates' top finisher was junior co-captain Kim Wettlaufer, who was accorded All-IC4A honors for his sixth-place finish in a fine time of 25:34.2. Wettlaufer's time was the second best ever by a Bates man on the Van Cortlandt Park course,

exceeded only by Paul Oparowski's 25:30 effort last year.

Other Bobcat finishers were junior co-captain Tom Cloutier, 17th in 26:07; sophomore Tom Rooney, 23rd in 26:21; junior Mark Soderstrom, perhaps the biggest surprise with a 24th-place finish in 26:26, freshman

Paul Hammond, 55th in 27:03, and sophomores George Rose, 67th in 27:20 and Chris Adams, 81st in 27:53.

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