

Twin Track Wins Posted by Owls

Hartford Public scored a double track victory Monday in state championship meets.

While the boys team captured the Class LL title at Hall High in West Hartford, the girls walked off with Class L honors in a late-ending meet at Amity Regional High School in Woodbridge.

It was the second straight Class L crown for Public as Coach Joella Marshall's team outpointed Hall of West Hartford, 49-38, for the title.

"I can remember when I used to take only one or two girls to the state meet," recalled Miss Marshall, who has coached the team since 1974.

Public got winning performances from junior Adrienne Pitts (880) and the record-setting mile relay team of sophomore Betty Gregory, junior Milagros Martinez, sophomore Laural McKinstry and Pitts; and top six finishes from Pitts (second in the 440), sophomore Pam Floyd (third in the 100 and fifth in the 220), Martinez (sixth in the 440), the 440 (fourth) and 880 (second) relay teams.

Newington's Jaye Quintaglia (discus) and Mary Jo Taube of Simsbury (mile) set two of the other five meet records.

Miss Taube, the Class LL state cross country champion, was the only double winner, also taking the two-mile run.

Hall's Shirley Dupont turned in a strong performance, winning the 100 dash, taking second in the 220, and anchoring the winning 440

relay team of Krystal Sheets, Laura Morrell, and Shelly Tucker.

"We have a relatively young team," Miss Marshall said. "We'll be back next year—we only lose three girls off this year's team."