

# Jerry Kelly Wins First NJCAA Decathlon Title

Despite the hot weather the first NJCAA (Invitational) Decathlon got off to a good start last June 8/9 at Catonsville Community College, Maryland.

Eight of the finest athletes from four different regions came to Catonsville Cardinal stadium to compete for the title of the Nation's best all-around junior college track and field athlete.

Although first glances seem to indicate a small turn out, this is quite normal for competition of this nature. In the first place, the decathlon requires skill in 6 field events and 4 running events. Stretching this out over a two day period and limiting the field to junior college athletes, a turn out of eight athletes is pretty good. Coach Mike Carroll of Catonsville cites, for example, the 1968 USTFF Decathlon Championships when only 13 athletes participated, and in the AAU Championships the same year only 33 athletes from the entire nation participated.

Catonsville Community College, located just 20 minutes from air, train and bus terminals, has a near perfect facility for the decathlon. An eight lane resillite track lends itself to fast times, while the Versaturf rubber runways and take off areas combine with the concrete throwing circles for excellent field performances. Offsetting these advantages, however, was the unseasonably hot and humid weather which came (and left) with the decathlon.

Action the first day saw Jerry Kelly from Montgomery College, Rockville, Md. take first in two events (long jump and high jump) and score high enough in three others to hold first place away from Mike Hasty of Essex, Md., who also took firsts in the 100 meters and 400 meters. Kelly and Hasty were both National competitors two weeks prior in San Jacinto. Kelly saw action in the long and triple jump, while Mike Hasty finished a respectable 5th in the 200 at 21.54. The impact of the hot weather became apparent when Hasty won 100 meters (approximately 110 yards) with a time of 11.2. This is comparable to a 10.1 hundred yard dash. Mike Anderson, from Brevard, North Carolina, who had the best post-entry score, remained a distant fourth until the second day when he passed



THE FIRST NJCAA "DECATHLETES" — (standing, left to right) Mike Anderson, 5th; Stan Plominski, 3rd; Jerry Kelly, 1st; Mike Hasty, 2nd; Richard Newman, 4th. (Sitting, left to right) Chip Goodman, 6th; Bill Katz, 8th; Myron Godwin, 9th.

Kelly and moved into first place with a 51 point lead after two events. This didn't last long, however, as Anderson failed to clear a height in the pole vault and immediately dropped from the top three positions. Kelly, although not exceptional in his final three events, remained constant enough to capture the 1500 meters and win the overall title.

Outstanding performance of the meet would have to be fourth place finisher Rick Newman's (Pensacola) pole vault of 13'4". As the only remaining vaulter after Chip Goodman (Essex, Md.) went out at 12'4½", Rick vaulted for nearly 45 minutes by himself in the 90 degree heat. Not a bad performance for the eighth event in two days.

As a memento of this first decathlon all of the boys received NJCAA T-Shirts and a photography collection of themselves in the 10 events.

Mike Carroll would like to thank the coaches and athletic directors who allowed their athletes to participate in this first junior college decathlon. This spring, as presently planned, the decathlon should join the National Championships as a part of that meet. A big step for NJCAA Track and Field.

# Mesa Community College Wins NJCAA Track and Field Crown



Mesa Community College, Mesa, Arizona, 1973 NJCAA Champions

Mesa Community College, Mesa, Arizona won the 33rd Annual NJCAA Track and Field Championships held at San Jacinto College, Pasadena, Texas.

Eight records were broken in this year's meet. Cleve Whitaker of Mesa, Arizona set a new discus mark, Theo Hamilton of Jefferson State, Alabama in the long jump, Alfred Daley of Essex County College in the 440 dash, Bob Rambo of Miami-Dade South in the 440 intermediate hurdles, Clarence Taylor of Forest Park, Missouri in the triple jump, Wardell Gilbreath of New Mexico Junior College in the 220 yard dash, and Essex County College in the mile relay.

The high point award for the meet went to Wardell Gilbreath of New Mexico Junior College. Russ Rogers of Essex County College was named "Coach of the Year" by the NJCAA Track Coaches Association.

## JAVELIN

Place	Name	Effort
1	Ken Norris, Allen County Comm. Junior College	239' 9"
2	Steve Maryanski, Lane Community College	238' 3"
3	Rick McIntosh, Manatee Junior College	228' 10"
4	Mike Daniels, Lane Community College	228' 6"
5	Roy Marz, Gloucester County College	228' 5"
6	Duane Johnson, Champlain College	228' 5"

## 440 YARD DASH

1	Alfred Daley, Essex County College	46.72*
2	Ron Penny, South Plains College	47.22
3	Ralph Hale, Cuyahoga Community College	47.57
4	Monroe Larkin, Cuyahoga Community College	47.78
5	David Williams, Lake City Community College	48.07
6	Kevin Joseph, Essex County College	48.23

\*New Meet Record

## 120 HIGH HURDLES

1	Nate Robinson, Miami-Dade Junior College South	14.00
2	Charles Romes, Lake City Community College	14.05
3	Vance Roland, Eastern Oklahoma State College	14.13
4	Ken Reeves, Florissant Valley Community College	14.45
5	Brent West, Eastern Oklahoma State College	14.53
6	Lloyd Kilgore, Grand Rapids Junior College	14.65

## 440 YARD RELAY

Place	School	Effort
1	New Mexico Junior College	41.23
2	Lake City Community College	41.24
3	Essex County College	41.50
4	Eastern Oklahoma State College	41.56
5	Cuyahoga Community College	41.72
6	Phoenix College	42.11

## MILE RUN

Place	Name	Effort
1	Tim McMullen, Allegheny Community College	4:10.33
2	Chris Williams, Lane Community College	4:13.34
3	Lennie Harrison, Butler County College	4:14.00
4	Dave Palmer, Mesa Community College	4:14.54
5	Paul Stemmer, Allegheny Community College	4:15.02
6	Bill Lundberg, Jackson Community College	4:15.20

## 440 INTERMEDIATE HURDLES

1	Bob Rambo, Miami-Dade Junior College South	51.64*
2	Vance Roland, Eastern Oklahoma State College	51.95
3	George Haley, Lincoln Land Community College	52.22
4	Larry Pierce, Essex County College	52.94
5	Mike Ashfor, Lincoln Land Community College	53.11
6	Kent Huff, Snow College	53.21

\*New Meet Record and New NJCAA Record



Javelin action at the National

**100 YARD DASH**

Place	Name	Effort
1	Lavoris Grisby, Lake City Community College	9.54
2	Wardell Gilbreath, New Mexico Junior College	9.63
3	Clifford Outlin, John C. Calhoun Junior College	9.67
4	John McCollum, Mesa Community College	9.73
5	Clive Sands, Worthington State Junior College	9.83
6	Herman Wyatt, Ranger Junior College	9.85

**HIGH JUMP**

1	Paul Underwood, Glendale Community College	7'0"
2	Ernie Jones, Miami-Dade Junior College South	6'8"
3	Eddie Williams, Mesa Community College	6'8"
4	Clarence Tate, Lake City Community College	6'8"
5	Joel Barnes, Florida Junior College	6'8"
6	Joe Reccord, Pensacola Junior College	6'7"

**DISCUS**

1	Cleve Whitaker, Mesa Community College	177'5"
2	Kirk Hardin, New Mexico Junior College	175'1"
3	Karl Johnson, S.U.N.Y. at Farmingdale	171'8"
4	Roy Aguayo, Mesa Community College	167'4"
5	Mike Weeks, Mesa Community College	164'6"
6	Walter O'Brian, Independence Comm. Jr. Coll.	163'5"

\*New NJCAA Record and New Meet Record

**LONG JUMP**

1	Theo Hamilton, Jefferson State Junior College	24'11 3/4"
2	Sam Beasley, Brevard Community College	24'8 1/4"
3	Olda Lewis, South Plains College	24'1 3/4"
4	Ernest Robinson, Florida Junior College	23'9 3/4"
5	Norman Bryant, Odessa College	23'8 3/4"
6	Dennis Zuger, Nebraska Western College	23'6 1/4"

**880 YARD RUN**

1	Horace Tuitt, Essex County College	1:49.08
2	Dave Smith, Jackson Community College	1:51.14
3	Louis DeFrees, Cuyahoga Community College	1:51.30
4	John Palmer, Mesa Community College	1:53.53
5	Kevin Peterson, N. Dakota State School of Science	1:55.84
6	James Plasek, San Jacinto College	1:54.44

**SHOT PUT**

1	William Wright, Thornton Community College	53'6"
2	Bruce Hill, Central Oregon Community College	53'0 1/2"
3	Steve Stone, Hagerstown Junior College	50'7 1/4"
4	Lewis Green, Central Arizona College	50'2 1/2"
5	Mike Weeks, Mesa Community College	49'9"
6	Mike Schomer, Macomb Community College	49'8 1/2"

**POLE VAULT**

1	Mark Herman, Mesa Community College	15'6"
2	Stan Andrew, Mesa Community College	15'6"
3	Jim Borcharding, Meramec Community College	15'0"
4	Ralph Haynie, Central Arizona College	15'0"
5	Glenn Engeland, Hutchinson Comm. Jr. Coll.	15'0"
6	Ted Davis, Southwestern Oregon Community College	14'6"

**220 YARD DASH**

1	Wardell Gilbreath, New Mexico Junior College	20.64*
2	Larry Brown, Essex County College	20.92
3	Lavoris Grisby, Lake City Community College	21.33
4	Norman Bryant, Odessa Junior College	21.47
5	Mike Hasty, Essex County College	21.54
6	Stan Bracey, New Mexico Junior College	21.58

\*New Meet Record

**TRIPLE JUMP**

1	Clarence Taylor, Forest Park Community College	51'5 1/2"
2	Alvin Brown, Lake City Community College	50'0 3/4"
3	Ruben Fairfax, Florissant Valley Comm. College	49'5"
4	Theo Hamilton, Jefferson State Junior College	49'3 3/4"
5	Sam Beasley, Brevard Community College	48'3 1/2"
6	Ernest Robinson, Florida Junior College	48'2"

**THREE MILE**

1	Fred Cranaham, Platte Junior College	14:05.83*
2	John Sekerka, Blue Mountain Community College	14:12.22
3	Oscar Morgan, John C. Calhoun Junior College	14:15.41
4	Dale Hammit, Lane Community College	14:20.54
5	David Smith, Henry Ford Community College	14:21.45
6	Chuck Foster, Central Arizona College	14:27.4

\*New Meet Record

**MILE RELAY**

1	Essex County College	3:09.27*
2	Cuyahoga Community College	3:11.64
3	New Mexico Junior College	3:13.35
4	Eastern Oklahoma State College	3:13.77
5	Lake City Community College	3:15.88
6	College of DuPage	3:16.10



Essex CC Mile Relay Champions — 3:09:27. This was a new meet record as well as a new NJCAA record.

**SIX MILE RUN**

Place	Name	Effort
1	Roy Kulikowski, Berks Campus of Penn State U.	30:31.7
2	Perry Koehn, Hutchinson Community Junior College	30:35.3
3	Mike Pinocci, Odessa Junior College	30:54.1
4	Joe McCool, Berks Campus of Penn State U.	31:02.3
5	Ken Prevatt, Santa Fe Community College	31:11.0
6	Gerry Rizzo, Macomb Community College	31:15.9

**TEAM TOTALS**

Mesa Community College, Mesa, Arizona	54
Essex County College, Newark, New Jersey	49
Lake City Community College, Lake City, Florida	48
New Mexico Junior College, Hobbs, New Mexico	43
Miami-Dade Junior College South, Miami, Florida	28
Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland, Ohio	26
Lane Community College, Eugene, Oregon	24
Eastern Oklahoma State College, Wilburton, Oklahoma	24
South Plains College, Levelland, Texas	14
Jefferson State Junior College, Birmingham, Alabama	14
John C. Calhoun Junior College, Decatur, Alabama	12
Allegheny Community College, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	12
Thornton Community College, South Holland, Illinois	10
Platte College, Columbus, Nebraska	10
Florissant Valley Community College, St. Louis, Missouri	10
Forest Park Community College, St. Louis, Missouri	10
Glendale Community College, Glendale, Arizona	10
Allen County Community College, Iola, Kansas	10
Brevard Community College, Brevard, North Carolina	10
Central Arizona College, Coolidge, Arizona	9
Jackson Community College, Jackson, Michigan	9
Lincoln Land Community College, Springfield, Illinois	8
Florida Junior College, Jacksonville, Florida	8
Blue Mountain Community College, Pendleton, Oregon	8
Central Oregon Community College, Bend, Oregon	8
S.U.N.Y. at Farmingdale, Farmingdale, New York	6
Meramec Community College, St. Louis, Missouri	6
Odessa Junior College, Odessa, Texas	6
Hagerstown Junior College, Hagerstown, Maryland	6
Butler County Junior College, El Dorado, Kansas	6
Essex Community College, Baltimore, Maryland	2
Glocester County Junior College, Sewell, New Jersey	2
Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn, Michigan	2
Hutchinson Community College, Hutchinson, Kansas	2
North Dakota State School of Science, Wahpaton, North Dakota	2
Worthington State Junior College, Worthington, Minnesota	2
San Jacinto College, Pasadena, Texas	1
Snow College, Ephraim, Utah	1
Southwestern Oregon Community College, Coos Bay, Oregon	1
Independence Community Junior College, Independence, Kansas	1
Pensacola Junior College, Pensacola, Florida	1
Phoenix College, Phoenix, Arizona	1
Ranger Junior College, Ranger, Texas	1
Grand Rapids Junior College, Grand Rapids, Michigan	1
Champlain College, Burlington, Vermont	1
College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, Illinois	1



Hurdle action at the National



Wardell Gilbreath of New Mexico JC, High Point Man of the meet.