

## Girls track team falls short of perfection Thursday, February 15, 2007

The Warriors competed in the DCL championship meet last Friday at the Reggie Lewis Athletic Center in Roxbury, taking second place to an inspired effort from Newton South in the 10-team field.

The Warriors earned most of their points in the middle distance events, with the highlight of the evening being Molly Binder's run in the 1000 meters. The middle distance crew has long since tired of setting school records in its events, as the current members of the team hold school records in the 55, 300, 600, and 1000 meters, and now have set their sites on the Dual County League records. For the fifth time this season, they broke a league record as Binder's time of 2:58.30 set the record in the 1000 meters. Her record joins Dana Jamieson's record in the 600 meters and the 4x400 relay, which L-S set twice each earlier in the season. For the second meet in a row. Calli Pappas finished in seventh place with a personal record of 3:09.72.

The Warriors also garnered 15 points in the 600 meters, finishing second, third, and sixth. Jess Griffin (1:36.55), Emily Mephram (1:36.87), and freshman Clair Arthur (1:42.02) all set personal records in the event. Olivia Reed (1:43.69) and Sarah Freeman (1:45.19) also had strong races for the Warriors coming in eighth and 11th.

Jamieson joined Binder as a league champion as she won the 300 meters with the second fastest time in the state of 40.95. Captain Audrey Miller came in sixth place to add another point to the Warriors' tally. A trio of L-S seniors also tallied 11 points in the shot put. Jackie Jarmulowicz took third place with a throw of 31 feet ,1.75 inches, while captain Vanessa Matos followed in fourth with a personal record throw of 30 feet, 4 inches, and Manal Assil rounded out the scoring in sixth place with a throw of 28 feet 2.25 inches.

The Warriors finished out the scoring with 22 points in the relays. The 4x400 team of Griffin, Mephram, Reed, and Binder were league champions, while the 4x800 team of Pappas, Arthur, Zeytoonian, and Jamieson placed second, and the 4x200 team of Leah Allen, Laura Noce, Miller, and Kleynerman placed fourth.

Other notable performances during the meet were a 5:48 in the JV mile from Hannah Ziobrowski, in her first race this year after recovering from an injury suffered during the cross country season in the fall. The time qualifies her to run in the Class A meet next week. Also qualifying for the first time in the mile were Alexandra Giacalone in the JV mile and Jen Gossels in the mile who both posted times of 5:52.

This Friday the Warriors head back to the Reggie Lewis Athletic Center to compete for the Class A title. In order to compete in this meet, the athletes had to meet qualifying times, heights, or distances in their chosen events. Last year, L-S sent more individual entrants than any other school, and the size of this year's team is expected to be even larger, and the Warriors are in contention for the Class A team title. The top six finishers in each event then qualify for the all-state meet to be held the following week.