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Szukala, Tramuta set new FHS records; DHS competes at RIT

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Fredonia's Josh Szukala and Michaela Tramuta broke school records Saturday at Fredonia State, during high school indoor track and field action.

Szukala ran the 3,200-meter in a school-record - and personal-best - time of 9:42 while Tramuta qualified for Sectionals with her school-record time of 11:11 in the 3,000. Both runners claimed first-place finishes, as Szukala broke his own school record of 10:15, and Tramuta broke fellow teammate Lauren Reyda's school-record time of 11:19.

"Josh wasn't scheduled to run in the 3,200," Fredonia coach Mike Marshall said. "But he came to me and said that he felt really good, so I put him in the race and he crushed the school record and ran a really strong race.

"Michaela ran a really strong race today too," Marshall continue. "The field was small, so (Szukala and Tramuta) were basically running by themselves."

Szukala also finished third in the 1,600 in a time of 5:08 while teammate Chaz Mancino took second in the 1,000 (2:58) and fourth in the 1,600 (5:11).

For the Lady Hillbillies, Jillian Kowalski finished second in the 3,000 (11:56) and Ally Cobb second in the 600 (1:52). Also, eighth grader, Gwen Stokes, took second in the 1,500 in a time of 6:12.

Marshall 3rd for Marauders in triple jump at Tiger Invitational

ROCHESTER - Dunkirk's boys' and girls' indoor track and field teams competed at the Tiger Invitational Saturday, on the campus of the Rochester Institute of Technology, along with 33 other teams.

"We had a great time," Dunkirk coach Kurt Warmbrodt said. "It was a wonderful meet and it was the only time all season that we'll run on a 200-meter track."

For the boys' team, Eddie Marshall placed third in the triple jump at 41-feet 9-inches, fifth in the long jump (19-8) and helped the 4x200 relay team to a eighth-place finish. Marshall, along with Verek Johnson, Nick Barlette and Tyler Gajewski crossed the finish line in 1:41.37.

Gajewski was sixth in the pole vault with his jump of 11-6.



For the Lady Marauders, Calan Pogorzelski finished 10th in the 600 in a time of 1:51.70 while also helping teammates Asia Leonard, Justice Judkins and Shadaily Concepcion to a 14th place finish in the 4x200 relay, crossing the finish line in 2:06.25.

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