

3 racers grab season titles

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Brad Loney, Steve Stinger and Max Corporon wrapped up season championships Friday night at Hawkeye Downs Speedway.

Loney finished second in the Late Model feature to preserve his lead. Stinger, the leader coming in, won the Modified feature. And Corporon also held on to his lead with a victory in the Hobby Stock division.

Pro Stock racer Bob Hodges had already clinched the title in his division and was not hurt by a second-place finish behind Jonn Strausser.

The Late Model race came down to a battle of old buddies, but Johnny Spaw of Cedar Rapids won Friday's battle to slip into second for the season.

"We've grown up together and really like racing each other," Spaw said. "I'm real happy for with my season. We won six features and this was our first time building this kind of car."

"Brad and I are buddies and I'm glad to see him win if I can't," Loney said. "Curt (Tillman) has been hard to stay ahead of this season."

Tillman came into Friday's action in second place, but finished out of the top five and dropped in the final season standings.

In the Modified feature, Stinger gave his wife Penny a special anniversary present with his easy feature victory. He held off Arlo Becker after a late restart and his 10th wedding anniversary.

Georgia Southern faces big boys

Associated Press

Georgia Southern, a dynasty among the small colleges, has found the going a lot tougher when it mixes it up with the big schools.

The Eagles, two-time defending NCAA Division I-AA champion and winner of four national titles in six years, boast an 11-game winning streak. Few observers expect that to continue today against Auburn, ranked 17th nationally among I-A schools.

"I think we will have to play an excellent game and Auburn will have to play subpar for us to have a chance to win," Coach Tim Stowers said, "but there is a chance."

Georgia Southern is 0-6 against I-A schools, including a 48-6 loss to Florida State last season that was the Eagles' only defeat. With 14 starters returning, they are considered the team to beat again in their division.

This is the first Saturday of college football games, although the season started Wednesday night with No. 7 Penn State's 34-22 victory over eighth-ranked Georgia Tech. It continued Thursday night with top-ranked Florida State beating No. 19 Brigham Young, 44-28.

Other top games today are Louisiana Tech at No. 12 Houston, No. 3 Miami at Arkansas, East Carolina at Illinois, Mississippi at Tulane, Pittsburgh at West Virginia and Weber State at Air Force.

Memphis State is at No. 16 Southern Cal on Monday night.

AUBURN COACH Pat Dye said he's not taking anything for granted.

"This won't be a game where we can turn the ball over or play sloppy," he said. "The thing that opens our eyes in a hurry is that the 1988 Florida State team that we lost to in the Sugar Bowl was one of the beat teams in the country that year. That same year, Georgia Southern was leading Florida State, 10-7, midway into the fourth quarter. Florida State then scored three touchdowns in the fourth quarter (to win 28-10)."

Dye made some significant changes after Auburn suffered a

Smith won't play for OSU

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Robert Smith won't be setting any records for Ohio State this season.

The tailback said Friday he will not return to the football team. The announcement ended week-long speculation whether Smith, who broke Ohio State's freshman rushing record last year, would play this season. He quit the team Aug. 23, saying the coaching staff disregarded academics and the players' safety.

Although Smith said he will not return to the team this year, he did not say he would never play for Ohio State again.

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sary is one he'll never forget.

"I've never won a track championship in my life and I didn't want to do anything to goof it up," said Stinger, who led by almost a full straightaway before a late restart bunched the field. "Overall, we did real well this season. We had a lot of bad moments, but we had a lot of good ones."

Corporon led by just eight points before Friday's Hobby Stock feature, but wrapped up the title in his second season of racing here after a rough and tumble rookie season last summer.

"I learned a lot last season," Corporon said. "I learned a lot about setting up my car and staying out of trouble. And I learned to stay cool out there."

Strausser, the Hobby Stock champ last year, made a good run at the title after stepping up to Pro Stock.

"The competition is a lot closer," Strausser said. "On any one night, any one of six cars can win. We learned more than we ever planned on this season."

Consistency marked Hodges' championship season.

"There are real competitive cars out here," he said. "Week to week, we just did a lot of hard work and just ran real consistent."

Hodges won eight features on the way to the championship.



AP photo

Germany's Michael Stich reacts after beating American MaliVai Washington Friday at the U.S. Open in New York. Stich won in five sets.

Stich beats elements, Washington at Open

NEW YORK (AP) — Wimbledon champion Michael Stich crumpled in a sopping heap in the courtside flower bed at the U.S. Open on Friday and looked ready for burial.

The searing sun beat down on his bare head and the 120-degree court burned through his sneakers. A soaked handkerchief drooped around his neck. Across the net, MaliVai Washington was doing deep knee bends after breaking Stich's serve to win the fourth set and tie the third-round match.

Stich, unfazed by Wimbledon's floods but bent double by New York's heat and humidity, pulled himself slowly out of the flowers, ambled over to the baseline, then did what all champions must. From some inner reserve, he got his serve going hotter than the weather, resumed his dogged net attack, struck a few blazing forehands and won 5-7, 7-5, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 in 3½ hours of sheer torture.

Then, almost unbelievably, he went out to play doubles three hours later, against the doctor's orders, after pumping himself up with fluids and getting his legs iced and massaged.

"I was tired and everything was hurting," Stich said of the Washington match after winning the doubles. "It was a strange match. I didn't feel too good all the time. In the end, maybe he was getting mentally tired. I figured whoever made the first break in the fifth set was going to win the match."

Stich, who began the match with Washington about 12:30 p.m., finally finished his day of tennis at 8:45 p.m. after teaming with Udo Riglewski to beat Neil Borwick and Simon Youl, 7-6 (7-2), 6-2.

"It's always important to prove to

people who said I couldn't play because I didn't have the best preparation before the tournament," said the No. 3-seeded Stich, who took a break after Wimbledon to play German league tennis. "The best way is to win in five sets and four hours. It is a good feeling."

It was a day of grueling marathons and upsets.

In another 3½-hour duel, most of it fortunately in the shade of the grandstand, Derrick Rostagno won an unusual four-tiebreak match, 6-7 (2-7), 7-6 (7-3), 7-6 (7-2), 7-6 (7-4) against Jakob Hlasek.

No. 2 seed Stefan Edberg was stretched to nearly three hours by former doubles partner Jim Grabb before winning, 7-6 (10-8), 4-6, 6-3, 6-4. No. 5 Ivan Lendl also took about three hours to beat Todd Woodbridge, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3.

Women's No. 5 seed Mary Joe Fernandez, a semifinalist last year, fell 6-1, 6-2 to Radka Zrubakova, a 20-year-old from Czechoslovakia. No. 11 Katerina Maleeva lost 2-6, 6-3, 6-3 to Regina Rajchrtova, another Czech. Jo Durie beat No. 15 Helena Sukova, 6-4, 2-6, 6-1.

Four other women's seeds had a much easier time. No. 2 Monica Seles needed just 49 minutes to beat Sara Gomer, 6-1, 6-4; No. 3 Gabriela Sabatini beat Gretchen Magers, 6-3, 6-4; No. 7 Jennifer Capriati beat Patricia Hy, 6-1, 6-4; and No. 9 Jana Novotna beat Dominique Monami, 6-1, 6-2.

Seles said she has a cold, congestion and foot blisters from the burning courts.

"I've never had so many blisters as from this tournament," Seles said. "The heat is very tough."

Switzer denied phone records

DALLAS (AP) — A state district judge has refused to turn over Dallas Times Herald telephone records to former University of Oklahoma Coach Barry Switzer and other defendants in a libel lawsuit filed by a former Times Herald reporter.

State District Judge Gary Hall rejected Thursday a motion to subpoena the records. Hall ruled the records were privileged and not relevant to the lawsuit filed by former Times Herald reporter Jack Taylor.

Attorneys for Switzer, the co-author and the publisher of the former Sooners coach's book "Bootlegger's Boy," wanted the records for their defense.

In the book, Taylor is mentioned in a scheme to plant drugs on an Oklahoma football player, identified only as Big Red, after the 1988 Orange Bowl. Taylor

filed the suit in September 1990, claiming invasion of privacy, libel, slander, defamation and loss of consortium.

THE TIMES Herald is not a party to the suit. Taylor resigned from the Times Herald in January and now works for the Los Angeles Daily News.

Hall reviewed records of calls from five telephone extensions at the Times Herald for the month of January 1988. Defense attorney James George submitted the phone number of the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics to the court. George said Taylor or another Times Herald reporter may have called the bureau as part of the reported scheme.

Hall said the number was not in the records and quashed the subpoena.

King's 4 TDs lift Marion in opener

ANAMOSA — Ben King, 5-foot-8 junior tailback making his first varsity start, highlighted a four-touchdown performance with an 84-yard kickoff return Friday night as Marion spoiled Wamac Conference rival Anamosa's field dedication, 34-0.

King scored a first-quarter touchdown on a 49-yard run, went one yard for a second-quarter score, opened the second half with his TD kickoff return,

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and ended the scoring with a 5-yard run, after Andy Ehresman broke a 77-yard run.

Trevor Cook kicked the extra points.

Marion netted 345 yards rushing to the Raiders' 153.

C.R. Kennedy 22 Dubuque Senior 0

■ DUBUQUE — Mike Morrison totaled 113 yards and a pair of touchdowns on 13 carries as the Cougars opened with a road victory in the Mississippi Valley Conference.

Morrison scored in the second quarter on a 3-yard run and in the third on a 5-yard run.

Kennedy led, 16-0, at halftime with Chad Hartke catching a 51-yard touchdown pass from Chad Wiese, who completed just 6 of 19 passes and had three interceptions.

Waterloo Columbus 16 C.R. Regis 6

■ WATERLOO — Junior Taras Walker scored two touchdowns as Columbus built a 16-0 halftime lead and held on for the non-conference win.

Walker scored on a 17-yard pass from Zach Sweeney to give the Sailors a 7-0 lead in the first quarter.

A bad snap on a punt on Regis' next possession gave Columbus the ball at the Royals' 6-yard line. Eddie Kosar kicked a 27-yard field goal for a 10-0 Columbus lead.

An offensive pass interference call thwarted the Royals' next drive and gave Columbus the ball in their own territory. Two plays later, Walker slammed off tackle and sprinted 61 yards for a 16-0 Sailors lead.

Regis drove 61 yards on its first possession of the second half and scored when Jim Zachar bulled over from a yard out. The two-point PAT pass failed.

The Royals had two drives stall inside the Columbus 15-yard line early in the fourth quarter.

Elsewhere

■ At Solon, Curt Miller threw touchdown passes of 82 and 73 yards to Casey Moel to lead the Spartans past Mount Vernon, 22-6, in an Eastern Iowa Hawkeye Conference game.

Miller completed 9-of-13 passes for 241 yards. ■ At Winthrop, Jason Short rushed for 112 yards and two touchdowns on 23 carries as East Buchanan opened defense of its Tri-Rivers Conference title with a 21-8 win over Alburnett. The Pirates' only TD came on a 41-yard interception return by Greg Feldmann.

■ At Strawberry Point, Center Point-Urbana totaled 324 yards on the ground, turning an 8-0 halftime lead into a 22-12 Tri-Rivers Conference win over Starmont.

■ Sophomore quarterback Tait Stamp sprinted 9 yards on a keeper to give his dad, Gary, a winning debut as Lisbon's head football coach, 7-0 in double overtime against visiting Tri-County.

Lisbon outgained Tri-County, 216-150, but did not seriously threaten during regulation time. Lions linebackers Ike Light and Matt Kohl were credited with 19 and 18 tackles, respectively.

■ Neither Central City nor Springville had won a season opener in more than 20 years, and in the first year of their sharing program went 0-8 last season. Friday night, they won their opener, 35-0 over visiting Maquoketa Valley.

George Robinson ran 60 yards to score on the first of his 26 carries for a total of 202 yards, Jason Farrington passed 55 and 17 yards to Donnie Wietrich for scores, and Eric Rausch ran 22 yards for one TD and passed 8 for another.

■ Matt Walshire passed for 158 yards and three touchdowns as Olin-Oxford Junction won its season opener, 29-0 over North Linn at Coggon.

Hawks open with loss

ARLINGTON, Texas — The University of Iowa volleyball team opened the 1991 season Friday night with a 9-15, 6-15, 6-15 loss to host Texas-Arlington at the Asics Tiger Lady Mavs Tournament.

Texas-Arlington defeated Wichita State in an earlier match.

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