Orange County Best Marks List 1915- 1960

(The baby boomer era saw a large number of new schools and growth of the sport of track & field in Orange County beginning in the 1960's. This list spotlights those athletes that competed in a time of subpar equipment, running tracks, and coaching)

100 yards

9.6	Eddie Morris (Huntington Beach)	1940
	(State Champion	
9.6	Bill Swisshelm (Santa Ana)	1954
9.7	Bill Swift (La Habra)	1959
9.7	Pat Moore (La Habra)	1959
9.8	Dan Hoefler (Fullerton)	1948
9.8	Johnny Allen (Santa Ana)	1956
9.8	Ron Vande Putte (Valencia)	1959
9.8	Gary Walker (Tustin)	1959
9.9	Dave Porter (Santa Ana)	1948
9.9	Ron Meyer (Santa Ana)	1955
10.0	Al Koenig (Huntington Beach)	1930
	(State Champion)	
10.0	King (Newport)	1932
10.0	Charley Macon (Laguna Beach)	1949
10.1	Arch Hawkins (Fullerton)	1920
	(State Runner up)	
10.1	D Pryor (Huntington Beach)	1932
10.1	Harold Steadman (Fullerton)	1934
	(State Runner up)	
10.2	Dick Roehm (Santa Ana)	1940
10.2	Anderson (Santa Ana)	1946
10.2	Harvey Baer (Santa Ana)	1927
10.2	Russell Hind (Tustin)	1927
10.2	Harvey Baer (Santa Ana)	1927

Wind-aided:

9.5w	Eddie Morris (Huntington Beach)	1940
9.5w	Bill Swisshelm (Santa Ana)	1953

100 meters

10.4	Eddie Morris (Huntington Beach)	1940

220 yard (straight) – *200m was not run around the curve until 1967*

20.7	Eddie Morris (Huntington Beach)	1940
	(State Champion)	
20.8	Bill Swisshelm (Santa Ana)	1954
	State Third Place)	
21.0	Pat Moore (La Habra)	1959
21.3	Ron Van de Putte (Valencia)	1959
21.4	Lanny Carter (Orange)	1953
21.7	Dan Hoefler (Fullerton)	1949
21.8	Wayne Piper (Santa Ana) (w 21.6)	1939
21.8	Harold Steadman (Fullerton)	1934
	(State Runner up)	
21.8	Harvey Baer (Santa Ana)	1927
21.9	Bob Bridgeford (Fullerton)	1947
22.0	Davis (Fullerton)	1937
22.1	Turley (SantaAna)	1946
22.2	Don Warhurst (SantaAna)	1938
22.2	Bob Hager (Huntington Beach)	1944
22.8	Horton (Tustin)	1932
22.9	Moorhead (Laguna Beach)	1949
22.9	Ray Cartwright (Santa Ana)	1932
	Al Koenig (Huntington Beach)	1930

Wind-aided:

20.6w	Eddie Morris (Huntington Beach)	1940
21.6	Dan Hoefler (Fullerton)	1948
21.8	Dave Porter (Santa Ana)	1948
21.8	Al Koenig (Huntington Beach)	1930
	(State Third Place)	

440 yards

48.8	Lanny Carter (Orange)	1952
	(State Champion)	
49.2	Dan Hoefler (Fullerton)	1949
49.3	Matt Nisson (Tustin)	1941

49.3	Bob Bonebrake (Orange)	1934
49.3	George Bragg (Anaheim)	1958
49.4	Eddie Morris (Huntington Beach)	1940
49.5	Erwin Miller (Fullerton)	1935
49.5	Larry Kirchman (Anaheim)	1952
	(State Runner up)	
50.0	Bill Callis (Capistrano)	1940
50.1	Howard Elliott (Santa Ana)	1939
50.4	Bob Clabbots (Huntington Beach)	1940
50.4	Clyde Wilson (Orange)	1950
50.5	Brayton Norton (Laguna Beach)	1948
50.7	Lester Jones (Anaheim)	1943
50.7	Wolfe (Tustin)	1938
	Tex Miller (Fullerton)	1935
	State Runner up)	
	Harold (Monk)Everett (Orange)	1916
	(State Third Place)	

880 yards

1:55.5	Milford Dahl (Santa Ana)	1958
1:56.4	Jan Underwood (Buena Park)	1959
1:56.6	Ray Cartwright (Santa Ana)	1932
	(State Champion) (20 years of age during the 1932 season)	
1:57.6	George Hood (Newport)	1957
1:57.8	Doug Hall (Newport)	1958
1:59.0	Bob Suess (Huntington Beach)	1952
1:59.5	Bob Schumaker (Huntington Beach)	1953
2:00.5	Ervin Watkins (Tustin)	1930
	(State Runner up)	
2:00.7	Heim (Orange)	1939
2:01.0	Albert Wattenburg (Capistrano)	1941
2:01.7	Bob Wilson (Fullerton)	1942
2:02.1	Bob McKean (Santa Ana)	1926
2:02.0	Tom Cone (Santa Ana)	1928
2:02.8	Brown (Orange)	1940
2:02.8	Elmer Wagers (Orange)	1936
2:04.0	Alfred Kraemer (Orange)	1932
2:04.7	George Clark (Orange)	1940

One Mile

4:11.0	Dale Story (Orange)	1959
	(State Champion)	
4:17.5	Bruce Bess (La Habra)	1960
4:20.0	Tod White (Newport)	1955
	(State Champion)	
4:20.5	Grady Neal (Fullerton)	1956
	(State Runner up)	
4:22.5	Leroy Neal (Fullerton)	1958
	(State Third Place)	
4:26.3	Larry Arroues (Fullerton)	1956
4:26.6	Bob Van Sickle (Newport)	1959
4:26.8	Lynn Watkins (Laguna Beach)	1957
4:26.8	Milford Dahl (Santa Ana)	1958
4:30.4	Bill Kerr (Huntington Beach)	1921
	(*State Champion)*	
4:31.8	Harold Breeding (Santa Ana)	1927
4:34.3	Eddie Denbow (Orange)	1952
4:36.3	Larry Valero (Valencia)	1938
4:36.4	Bob Hougeland (Santa Ana)	1947
4:37.5	Oscar Diaz (Capistrano)	1942
4:41.2	Herschel Whitney (Santa Ana)	1937

120 yard Hurdles (39")

14.5	Forrest Younger (Fullerton)	1952
	(State Third Place)	
14.5	Don Jones (Huntington Beach)	1956
14.5	Bob Ballew (Garden Grove)	1957
14.5	John Eastman (La Habra)	1958
14.6	Sonny Owens (Fullerton)	1955
14.6	Doug Hankins (Fullerton)	1958
14.7	Lin Sitton (Fullerton)	1953
14.7	Dick Carson (Anaheim)	1949
14.8	Jack McCosh (Santa Ana)	1953
14.9	Bob Boaz (Fullerton)	1948
15.4	Bryant (Capistrano)	1940
15.4	Lawrence Buchheim (Capistrano)	1945
15.6	Wise (Huntington Beach)	1946
15.7	Whitley (Tustin)	1949
15.8	Don Vadgen (Newport)	1945

Wind-aided:

14.0	Sonny Owens (Fullerton)	1956
14.2	Doug Hankins (Fullerton)	1959
14.6	Lin Sitton (Fullerton)	1953

42" hurdles

14.8	Ross Nichols (Huntington Beach)	1923
	(State Champion 1923 & '24)	
15.0	Brooks (Santa Ana)	1932
15.0	Ray Gist (Anaheim)	1939
15.2	Bill Hawkins (Santa Ana)	1935
	(State Runner up)	
15.2	Al Reboin (Santa Ana)	1930
	(State Third Place)	
15.3	Rolland White (Huntington Beach)	1942
15.4	Melvin Barron (Santa Ana)	1938
	(State Runner up)	
15.5	Richard Gibson (Santa Ana)	1941
15.6	Chester Bickmore (Huntington Beach)	1923
	(*State Third Place)*	
15.6	John Etchhandy (Garden Grove)	1941
15.6	Ben Schlegel (Santa Ana)	1942
15.6	Wise (Huntington Beach)	1946
15.8	John Moffat (Santa Ana)	1928
15.9	Lacian Wilson (Santa Ana)	1932
15.9	Duane Larrabee (Santa Ana)	1932
16.0	Phillip Newman (Tustin)	1931
	(State Third Place)	
16.0	Bill Brown (Newport)	1932
16.0	Neal Raney (Santa Ana)	1918
	(State Runner up)	
16.2	Earl Johnson (Fullerton)	1917
	(State Champion)	

Wind-aided:

14.0	Sonny Owens (Fullerton)	1956
14.2	Doug Hankins (Fullerton)	1959
14.6	Lin Sitton (Fullerton)	1953

180 Hurdles *(30")*

18.7	Bill Swisshelm (Santa Ana)	1954
19.2	Doug Hankins (Fullerton)	1959
19.2	Willie Carroll (Santa Ana)	1959
19.3	Darrell Roberts (Fullerton)	1955
19.3	Don Jones (Huntington Beach)	1956
19.3	John Eastman (La Habra)	1958
19.4	Mike Trainor (Laguna Beach)	1954
19.4	Ron Meyer (Santa Ana)	1955
19.4	Dave Ross (Santa Ana)	1960
19.5	Bob Boaz (Fullerton)	1948
	(State Third Place)	
19.7	Lin Sitton (Fullerton)	1952
19.8	Forrest Younger (Fullerton)	1952
20.1	Jack Carson (Anaheim)	1949
20.4	Moorehead (Laguna Beach)	1949

Wind-aided:

18.9	Sonny Owens (Fullerton)	1956
19.1	Lin Sitton (Fullerton)	1953
20.1	Fowler (Santa Ana)	1951
20.7	Whitley (Tustin)	1949

220 yard Hurdles (1915 – 1946)

24.0	Norman Paul (Santa Ana)	1929
	(State Champion '29 & '30)	
24.1	Al Reboin (Santa Ana)	1929
	(State Meet Runner up)	
24.1	Orville Llyod (Newport)	1939
24.1	Jerome Duffy Newport)	1939
24.2	Norman Paul (Santa Ana)	1929
24.3	Roland White (Huntington Beach)	1942
24.5	Robert Newell (Fullerton)	1946
	(State Meet Runner up)	
25.0	Ernie Velarde (Santa Ana)	1928
	(State Runner up)	
25.0	Nordheim (Fullerton)	1938
25.6	Ross Nichols (Huntington Beach)	1924
	(State Runner up)	

25.6	Bill Brown (Newport)	1932
	Tom Berkeley (Fullerton)	1934
	Bill Hawkins (Santa Ana)	1935

4x 220 yard Relay *(prior to 1968 only the 4x220 was raced)*

1:28.5	Santa Ana	1956
1:29.1	Santa Ana	1954
1:29.3	Santa Ana	1938
	(State Champion)	
1:29.8	Sana Ana	1927
1:29.9	Laguna Beach	1948
1:29.9	Santa Ana	1953
	Huntington Beach	1924
1:30.1	Santa Ana	1946
	(State Third Place)	
1:30.8	Santa Ana	1952
1:31.2	Santa Ana	1938
	(State Champion)	
1:32.1	Santa Ana	1930
	(State Runner up)	
1:32.5	Santa Ana	1927
1:32.5	Anaheim	1939

High Jump *(no athlete jumped higher than 6-4 using the straddle during this era)*

6-04.5	Norman Jiles (Santa Ana)	1949
	(State Runner up)	
6-04.25	Phil Jacques (Santa Ana)	1931
	(State Champion)	
6-03.25	Wendell Tedrow (Santa Ana)	1938
	(State Runner up)	
6-03	Jack Bose (Santa Ana)	1956
6-03	Ed Briscoe (Buena Park)	1959
6-02.75	Buck Hopper (Tustin)	1954
6-02.0	Dallas Carter (Huntington Beach)	1937
6-02.0	Bobby Macon (Laguna Bach)	1949
6-02	Paul Jacques (Santa Ana)	1931
6-01.75	Eugene Shear (Huntington Beach)	1942
6-01.5	Forrest Younger (Fullerton)	1952
6-01.25	Elmer Kinney (Santa Ana)	1946
	(State Third Place)	
6-01	Phillips (Fullerton)	1941
6-00.25	Meyers (Valencia)	1939
6-00	Furuta (Huntington Beach)	1932
6-00	Bill Taylor (Laguna Beach)	1939
6-00	Burl Gist (Anaheim)	1939
6-00	Blas Mercurio (Santa Ana)	1935

6-08.5	Ed Caruthers (SA Valley)*	1963

**(Recordholder for the Straddle Technique)*

[Tony Madau (El Dorado) held the County record at 6-9 in 1972 using the Flop}

Pole Vault *(no athlete jumped higher than 14-0 prior to 1960's when the fiberglass pole was introduced)*

14-05.25	Eric Berg (Costa Mesa)	1962
	(State Champion)	
14-04.5	Mike Lindsay (Santa Ana)	1962
14-04.5	Boyd (Western)	1964
14-01	John Trosko (Valencia)	1964

(non-fiber glass poles)

13-10	Bob Maimbourg (Garden Grove)	1959
13-06.75	John Price (Fullerton)	1958
13-06.5	Jim Manning (Anaheim)	1958
13-05.5	Robert Arevalos (Laguna Beach)	1957
13-03	Gary Dow (Anaheim)	1960

13-02	John Calianni (Fullerton)	1959
13-00	Don Barnes (Fullerton)	1948
	(State Champion)	
13-00	Dave Servis (Orange)	1957
	(State Runner up)	
12-07.25	Jim Stangeland (Huntington Beach)	1939

(State Third Place)

12-06.75	Jim McDonald (Fullerton)	1937
12-06	Vern McDermott (Fullerton)	1924
	(State Third Place)	
12-04.25	Jack Isom (Huntington Beach)	1950
12-01	Moody (Newport)	1932
12-00.5	Zoeter (Huntington Beach)	1938
12-00	Harold Shoebridge (Anaheim)	1921
	(State Champion)	
12-00	Chester Bickmore (Huntington Beach)	1923
	(State Runner up)	
	Ross Nichols (Huntington Beach)	1922
	(State Runner up)	
12-00	Bud Griffun (Newport)	1935
12-00	Al Reboin (Santa Ana)	1930

Long Jump

23-03	Darrell Roberts (Fullerton)	1955
23-0.75	Bob McNamera (Fullerton)	1958
22-08.5	Norman Paul (Santa Ana)	1930
	('29 State Runner up)	
22-08.5	Bob Chambers (Fullerton)	1936
	(Third place in State meet)	
22-07.5	Charles Dodson (Huntington Beach)	1951
22-07	Hodge (Fullerton)	1942
22-05.5	Verden Nash (Huntington Beach)	1922
	(Three time State Champion at Chino then Huntington)	
22-05.25	Bob Ferguson (Fullerton)	1948
22-05	Andrew Crenshaw (Santa Ana)	1940
22-04	Hobart Turley (Brea-Olinda)	1942
22-04	Larry Weaver (Anaheim)	1950
22-03.5	Doyle Gilbert (Santa Ana)	1930
22-03.5	Virgil Elliott (Huntington Beach)	1924
	(State Champion)	
22-2.5	Howard Paul (Santa Ana)	1925
	(State Runner up)	
22-02.0	Ernie Velarde (Santa Ana)	1927
22-00	Ray Roberts (Fullerton)	1946
21-11	Forrester (Huntington Beach)	1942
21-10.75	Floyd Montgomery (Santa Ana)	1933
21-09.25	Cameron Gillis (Santa Ana)	1935
21-08.5	Fred Osborne (Fullerton)	1925
	(State Champion)	
21-08	Stan Jiles (Santa Ana)	1939
21-07	Byram Bates (Santa Ana)	1936
21-02	Ernie Plavan (Santa Ana)	1915
	(State Champion)	

Triple Jump *(first quality mark came in 1972)*

45-07.25	Jeff Hutton (Katella)	1972

Shot Put

57-10.25	Jerry Shipkey (Anaheim)	1943
	(No State Meet in 1943)	
57-06.0	Terry Guy (Fullerton)	1957
55-10.5	John Raitt (Fullerton)	1935
	(State Champion)	
54-11	Gary Johnson (Orange)	1954
53-04	Bob Van Drimler (Newport)	1950
52-06.5	Ralph Hull (Santa Ana)	1940
52-06.5	Jim Blacketer (Laguna Beach)	1950
50-05.0	Arky Lawrence (Tustin)	1940
49-10	Norman Paul (Santa Ana)	1930
49-07.75	Bob Ward (Garden Grove)	1939
49-06.0	Art Stranske (Santa Ana)	1933
49-03	Lawrence Roberts (Fullerton)	1940
48-09.5	Maddock (SantaAna)	1938
47-11.0	Rlton Denner (Santa Ana)	1941

Discus

(no athletes threw over 160-0. These athletes did throw over 160 during the 1960's)

182-01	Steve Lehmer (Loara)	1966
172-02	Mike Johnson (Bolsa Grande)	1966
171-06	Dale Gordon (El Modena)	1969
169-01	Jim Ulam (Kennedy)	1968

163-02	Hadley James (Santiago)	1966

International Wt.(2.0k)

145-09	Doug Stoner (Laguna Beach)	1956
139-05	Sam Henderson (Brea-Olinda)	1938
130-00	Arky Lawrence (Tustin)	1940
126-01	McClintock (Orange)	1938
	Bill Bradbury (Huntington Beach)	1925
	(State Third Place)	
	Glenn Hartranft (Fullerton)	1920
	(State Meet Runnerup)	

Schools Opening during the 1930 era.

	Est.
Santa Ana	1889
Fullerton	1893
Anaheim	1898
Orange	1903
Huntington B	1906
Brea-Olinda	1927
Garden Grove	1921
Tustin	1921
Capistrano	
Newport	1930
Valencia	1933
Laguna Beach	1934

Schools Post 1950

	Established
Mater Dei	1950
La Habra	1954
Western	1955
Buena Park	1956
Rancho Alamitos	1957
Costa Mesa	1958
Servite	1958
Sunny Hills	1959
SA Valley	1959
Bolsa Grande	1959
Westminster	1959
Savanna	1961
Magnolia	1961
Santiago	1961
Lowell	1961-1980
Loara	1962
Corona del Mar	1962
Marina	1963
Foothill	1963
La Quinta	1963
Kennedy	1964
Villa Park	1964
San Clemente	1964
Troy	1964
Pacifica	1965
Estancia	1965
Rosary	1965
Sonora	1966
El Dorado	1966
El Modena	1966
Katella	1966
Fountain Valley	1966
Mission Viejo	1966
Los Alamitos	1967
Saddleback	1967
Los Amigos	1968
Edison	1969
University	1970
Canyon	1973
Esperanza	1973
Orange Lutheran	1973
Cypress	1973
Dana Hills	1973
El Toro	1973
Irvine	1975
Ocean View	1976
Capo Valley	1977

Laguna Hills	1978
St Margaret's	1979
Woodbridge	1980
Trabuco Hills	1985
Santa Margarita	1987
Century	1989
Aliso Niguel	1993
Oxford Academy	1998
Northwood	1999
Sage	2000
Tesoro	2001
J Serra	2003
Beckman	2004
Segerstrom	2005
Godinez	2007
San Juan Hills	2007
Yorba Linda	2009
Crean Lutheran	2010
Portola	2016