Newcomer cops race

Tony Shockency of Rockford, Ill., a first-time participant in the local event, ran away with the overall title Saturday at the sixth annual Town and Country YMCA Summer Festival Triathlon.

Shockency finished the quartermile swim, 15-mile bicycle race and three-mile run in 1 hour, 12 seconds.

Second place went to Carl Koenig of Waupun, whose time was 1:01.10.

The women's winner was Kara Hughes of Pardeeville. She completed the event in 1:07.10. Katherine Cheney of Oconomowoc was second in a time of 1:12.

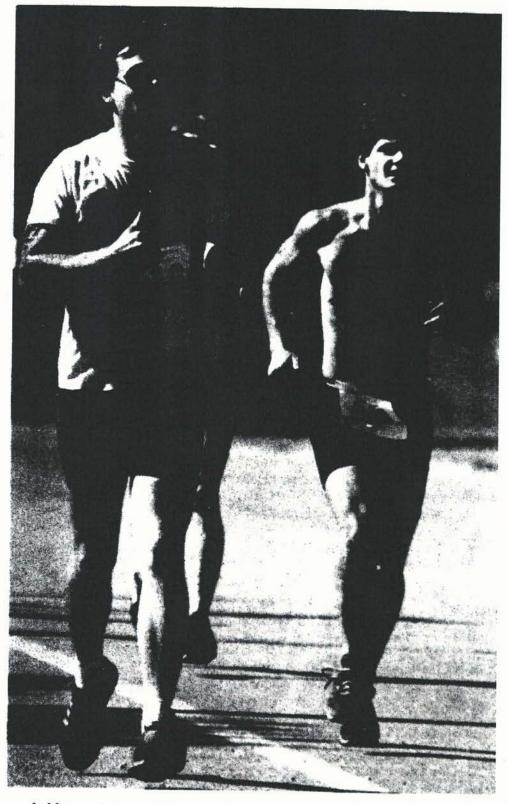
Rounding out the men's top 10 were James Cichy, Greenfield, 1:02.08; Bob Brenkus, Aurora, Ill., 1:02.25; Greg Carter, Menomonee Falls, 1:02.42; Joseph Reda, Madison, 1:03.01; Gary Johnson, Albuquerque, N.M., 1:04.06; Jeffrey Jeampierre, Milwaukee, 1:04.14; Dan Ludwig, Milwaukee, 1:04.17; Mark Barrette, Bêaver Dam. 1:04.28.

Third-through tenth-place female finishers were Janeen Radecke, Waukesha, 1:12.41; Paula Larsen, Horicon, 1:13.34; Adrienne Drifmier, Milwaukee, 1:13.53; Karen Koch, Oshkosh, 1:14.33; Elizabeth Schluter, Oconomowoc, 1:16.04; Margaret Fallon-Polizzi, Whitewater, 1:16.13; Valerie Cimino, Milwaukee, 1:16.42; and Marilyn West, Neenah, 1:16.53.

Neither of the defending champions, Kathleen Walsh of Rockford nor John Wiberg of Wisconsin Rapids, were listed among finishers.

Race Director Deb Van Der Geest termed the event a success. Road construction forced a change in the bicycle course and a computer glitch slowed the dispersal of race results. However, those were the only apparent problems.

"We had great weather -



probably our best in recent years," said Van Der Geest. "The water was clear and calm. I kind of like the bike route we had this year, but I had to get special permission to use the state highway."

Van Der Geest was also pleased with the attitude of the triathletes. "A lot of volunteers told me the entrants had a better attitude this year. Several triathletes came up to me and said they appreciated all the work."