LEXINGTON (Special to Daily Press) — For the first time in 11 years, Virginia Military Institute defeated Virginia Tech and William and Mary in track Friday.

The Keydets scored 63 points to 58 for the Techmen and 41 for the Indians in a triangular indoor meet.

Ex-Peninsula athletes sparkled for the winners in VMI Fieldhouse. Warwick graduate Rex Wiggins won the mile and was second in the 1,000 for the hosts, coached by former Ferguson boss Wade Williams.

Also, a couple of Denbigh grads won their specialties, Paul Perry in the triple jump and Malcolm Grimes in the long jump.

Wiggins has been ailing for two weeks but authored a gutsy performance, according to Williams.

Three years ago, before Williams’ advent on the Lexington scene, VPI swamped the Keydets by over 100 points in a dual meet.

The Keydets won seven of the 15 events. Joining Wiggins, Perry and Grimes were Tim Bridges in the 60-yard high hurdles, Phil Andrews in the two miles, Anthony Moore in the 880 and the mile relay team.

VPI won five events and W&M three. Doing the honors for the Gobblers were Robert Drum, 35-pound weight; Dave Stranka, shot put; Andre Raleford, 60; Jim Lanahan, 600 and Tom Goode, 1,000.
