

Girl to go to two-state track meet

Two Goodland girls qualified to go to a Kansas-Missouri amateur track meet by placing second at a state meet Saturday in Hays.

Michelle Smith, 11, and Lisha Tedford, 12, won second place in their events at the Amateur Athletic Union state competition, and can go on to a Missouri Valley meet in Manhattan, a combined Kansas and Missouri competition.

Sandra Smith, Michelle's mother, said if Michelle scores in the top four at the meet in Manhattan, she can go on to the regional meet, and from there, nationals. Tedford will not be going, her mother said, because the family has already made different plans.

Michelle, who qualified in the shot put and discus, qualified for the national competition last year, her mother said.

This is her fourth year competing, and the third for her brother Nick, who also competed in Hays on Saturday.

The Smiths, and other Goodland youths, competed in Oakley on April 27, and at a Hays Striders meet on May 4.

"These kids love doing it," Smith said. "They have a great time."

Results from Saturday were:
Sub-midget girls: Michelle Smith, 11, shot put 26-1, second place; discus 61-5, second.

Youth girls: Lisha Tedford, 12, discus 72-2, shot put 35-0, second.

Youth boys: Nick Smith, 12, long jump 12-1 1/4, shot put 26-9 3/4, discus 64-1.
Dustin Pennington, 12, 100-meter dash 16.39 seconds, 200-meter dash 35.81, 400-meter dash 1:24.77, long jump 11 feet 1/2 inches.

Intermediate boys: Lance Tedford, 15, 100-meter dash 11.64 long jump 19-1, fifth.

Giving 'em the heat



Goodland's Landon West pitched the fourth inning of an American Legion game Monday. Goodland plays St. Francis at 5 p.m. tonight. The last time the two teams played, Goodland won 23-3 in a game ended under the mercy rule.

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Colorado beats Red Sox

Rookie pitcher ties second longest winning streak

BOSTON (AP) — The Colorado Rockies lured Mike Hampton to Denver last season to be their stopper. But rookie Jason Jennings is the one pitching like their ace.

Jennings threw seven scoreless innings and Larry Walker hit a two-run double to snap a scoreless tie in the eighth inning as the Rockies beat the Boston Red Sox 3-1 Tuesday night.

Jennings (8-2) won his seventh straight decision, allowing three hits while walking none and striking out four. Jennings is 12-3 in 20 career starts.

He trails only Los Angeles' Kazuhisa Ishii (10-1) among major league rookies in wins, and is tied with Roger Clemens for the second-longest active winning streak. Arizona's Curt Schilling has won nine games in a row.

"This kid put up some pretty good numbers in the National League this year and he's doing it in Colorado," Boston manager Grady Little said. "He's got some pretty good stuff, and

that's one of the best pitching performances we've seen all year."

Colorado snapped a four-game losing streak and picked up its first interleague victory in five games. "With the exception of the last three or four games, we've been swinging the bats great all year long," Jennings said.

"You keep our offense in the game, and more often than not they're going to come through."

The Red Sox lost for the fourth time in five games, cutting their AL East lead to a half-game over the New York Yankees.

Rolando Arroyo kept the Rockies off the scoreboard for seven innings before giving way to Casey Fossum (2-1) in the eighth.

Fossum walked Jose Ortiz, hit Mark Little with a pitch and walked Terry Shumpert to load the bases with no outs.

Chris Haney replaced Fossum and was greeted by Walker's ground-rule

double down the right-field line. After Todd Helton was intentionally walked, Greg Norton hit a sacrifice fly that scored Shumpert, making it 3-0.

Jose Jimenez pitched a perfect ninth for his 17th save.

Todd Jones replaced Jennings to start the eighth.

After Jason Varitek's leadoff double, Jose Offerman hit an RBI single and Trot Nixon walked.

Lou Merloni's sacrifice bunt moved the runners to second and third, but Jones struck out Carlos Baerga and Nomar Garciaparra to end the inning.

The game was delayed 54 minutes by rain at the start and stopped again by a 35-minute rain delay in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Jennings retired all 11 batters he faced after the second delay. He allowed only one batter to reach third.

Arroyo pitched seven innings and extended his scoreless streak to 17, allowing four hits while walking one and striking out six.

Royals shut out Marlins for five innings

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Darrell May knew the Royals were counting on him for a strong game.

Kansas City used eight pitchers 24 hours earlier, and it was left to May to make a good start.

The left-hander did just that, pitching a 6-0 shutout over the Florida Marlins on Tuesday night in a game called after five innings because of rain.

May said that while watching Monday's loss in which Florida scored seven runs in the 14th inning — all of them off of Mac Suzuki — he was thinking, "Geez, we used all our pitchers."

Pitcher sent back to minors

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — After a heavy loss involving almost every pitcher on the team, left-handed pitcher Brian Shouse was sent back to Triple-A Omaha on Tuesday by the Kansas City Royals.

Shouse faced two left-handed hitters and retired neither during

"I didn't feel a weight on my shoulder, but it was a big challenge," he added. "I want to soak up those innings,

Monday's loss to the Marlins. He had a 6.14 ERA in 23 relief appearances, allowing 15 hits and walking nine in 14 2-3 innings.

"Shouse has struggled with his command," Manager Tony Pena said. "He needs to have command of his fastball in the big leagues."

so that we don't have to use our bullpen."

May (2-3) gave up just four singles

and two walks in winning his second straight decision. He's allowed just four earned runs over 16 1-3 inning in his last three starts, dropping his ERA to 4.65.

"I would have loved to have gone a little longer, but you can't control the conditions," May said. "I felt pretty good. I got a little lackadaisical in the fourth and fifth innings. I walked a couple of guys, which is not typical for me."

Joe Randa drove in four of the Kansas City runs with a homer and a double, and Mike Sweeney raised his average to .338 with three hits.

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