



Junior Kaylee Billinger (above) cleared the bar on her way to a fourth-place finish in the high jump. Freshman Taylor McLemore (right) ran the first leg of the Cowgirls' 4x100-meter relay team, which placed second. Freshman Fernando Martinez (bottom right)



ran the anchor leg of the Cowboys' 4x100 relay. Senior Lisha Tedford (below) threw the discus 80 feet, 7 inches, missing the top five, but did win the shot put with a toss of 32 feet, 9 inches.

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Tri-State Relays off the mark despite weather

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For the first time in three years, Goodland's Tri-State Relays were held on schedule Friday in spite of cool weather and a light drizzle.

The Cowgirls won four events, with junior Emily Murray taking both the 100- and 300-meter hurdles in 17.01 and 55.29 seconds. Murray placed second in the long jump at 14 feet, 3.5 inches.

Senior Lisha Tedford won the shot put with a toss of 32 feet, 9 inches. Freshman Michelle Smith placed fourth in the shot at 30 feet, 7 inches. Smith threw the discus 100 feet, 5 inches for third place.

Junior Stephanie Sheldon cleared 9 feet to win the pole vault. Sophomore Amanda Anthor cleared 6 feet, 6 inches for fifth place.

Other Cowgirls placing among the top five Friday included junior Kaylee Billinger, who ran the 100-meter dash in 12.58 seconds and the 400-meter dash in 1 minute, 4.49 seconds, finishing second in both events. She also cleared 4 feet, 8 inches in the high jump for fourth place.

Freshman Taylor McLemore ran the 200-meter dash in 29.38 seconds for third. She was fifth at 100 meters in 13.27.

Senior Tiffany Thomas finished fourth in the 800-meter run in 2:46.29. Senior Kali Rietcheck was fifth in both the 400-meter dash, 1:08.2, and the high jump, at 4 feet, 6 inches.

Billinger, Murray, Sheldon and McLemore teamed up to place second in the 4x100-meter relay in 55.02 seconds. Sheldon teamed up with Thomas, Rietcheck and freshman Brittaney Medrano to take third in the 4x800 in 11:27.6.

The Colby Lady Eagles won the team competition with 92 points. Ulysses was second with 68 and Goodland third with 58. Scott City finished fourth with 49.

Cowboy winners Friday were junior Kerek Mason and sophomore Bob Doxon.

In the 1,600-meter run, Mason stayed on the outside shoulder of Scott City's Chase Thompson for most of the race, passing him on the home stretch to win in 4:52.1. Thompson was second in 4:54.46.

Mason finished third in the 100-meter dash in 11.58 seconds and was fourth in the 800-meter run in 2:09.58.

Doxon won the shot put with a heave of 43 feet, 9 inches. He placed second in the discus with a throw of 126 feet, 11 inches.

Sophomore Casey Henderson placed second in both the 100- and 200-meter dashes in 11.43 and 23.85 seconds. He was fifth in the shot put at 39 feet, 5.25 inches.

Other Cowboys among the top five in their events were freshman Zach Lohr, who cleared 5 feet, 4 inches in the high jump for third, and sophomore Grant Wilkens, who cleared 9 feet, 6 inches in the pole vault for fifth.

Goodland was third in the boys 4x100-meter relay with Henderson, Lohr, Wilkens and freshman Fernando Martinez each running a leg.

The Scott City Beavers won the boys title with 86 points with Ulysses second with 76 and Colby third with 74. Goodland's score was 36.

The Cowboys and Cowgirls will put their skills to the test again today in Oberlin with the field events starting at 2 p.m. (Mountain Time). The teams will be at Dennon Field in Colby for a meet starting at the same time on Friday.



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School calendar for May 3 - May 9

Wednesday - "Gold Day"; PDC screening at Central School, 3:45 p.m.; Elementary Bank Day; International DECA Career Development Conference.

Thursday - "Black Day"; Tennis at Hays, 2 p.m.; golf at Colby, 2 p.m.; junior high track in Goodland, 2 p.m.

Friday - "Gold Day"; Softball at TMP-Marian in Hays, 3 p.m.; baseball in Hays, Western Diamond Classic, 3 p.m.; track in Colby, 2 p.m., Central School parent cookout.

Saturday - Tennis in Garden City, 8 a.m.; golf in Ulysses, 8 a.m.; baseball in Hays, Western Diamond Classic, 3 p.m.

Monday - Junior varsity tennis at Scott City, 1 p.m.; junior varsity golf at Hoxie, 2 p.m.; band concert "Picnic in the Park" at Gulick Park, 6 p.m.; Board of Education meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday - "Gold Day"; Softball in Goodland against Scott City, 3 p.m.; West Site Council meeting, 4 p.m.; Kindergarten music program, 7 p.m.

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