

Outlaws peak at state track meet

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Things started well for the Sisters Outlaws on day one of the OSAA State Championships — and ended just as well on day two.

Anna Bartlett started the meet off for the Outlaws early Friday morning by running a tremendous personal record in the 3,000 meters, clocking

11:04.82, to put two points on the board for Sisters with her seventh-place finish.

Julianne Meeter ended her high school career by adding to her school record in the javelin on her way to a fifth-place finish with a mark of 122 feet 8 inches.

Freshman Rylieece Morgan brought home her first individual medals as she placed eighth in the long

jump (16 feet 1.5 inches).

That completed the scoring for the girls for the day, but following Bartlett's example, Jordan Pollard ran the best race of his life for 3,000 meters, shattering his personal best on his way to fifth place in 9:13.34 to get the scoring started for the boys. Senior Sam Lewis shared eighth place with two other vaulters with a clearance of 12 feet even for .33 points the same day.

The remainder of Friday's schedule included prelims in running events and nearly all of the Outlaws passed through to the finals.

Keaton Green's career best was not enough to advance, although the sophomore in his first year of track has a bright future. His 2:04.79 second effort in a race that was dominated by upperclassmen bodes well for his final two years. Januik of Seaside became a three-time state champion in the event with a time of 1:55. Another sophomore, Amy Hills, could not recapture her thrilling performance of the district meet, but got valuable state meet experience in the prelims of the 300 hurdles on her way to 14th place in 53.99 seconds.

The girls 4x100-meter relay got things off to a fast



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Keagan Greaney shows intense focus during the 300-meter hurdles.



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Brooke Robillard runs the third leg of the 4x400 relay.

start on Saturday as the quartet of Rylieece Morgan, Sabrina Reifschneider, Erynn Ricker and Mandi Calavan placed fifth with a time of 50.51. Astoria won a very tight race in 49.77 as three teams broke the 50-second barrier.

Anna Bartlett missed the podium by one place in the 1,500 meters with a

ninth-place finish in 5:07.87. Danielle Jantzer of Phoenix won the race in 4:48.57. Despite a personal record of 32 feet 11.75 inches, Jade Anaya also narrowly missed a medal in ninth place.

Erynn Ricker got the Outlaws a couple of points by finishing seventh in the 100

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