

Sports



(Photo courtesy of Sandy Jackson for The Illinois Valley News)

The IVHS track team warms up in their new suits Saturday, April 9 at Brookings Harbor.

IVHS track starts historic season

Courtesy of Raymond Brown

The 2016 IVHS track season is off to a fast start with lots of new faces and personal records. The team, led by head coach Paul Jackson, has already traveled to several meets from Medford to Winston to Brookings.

With the senior standouts near the end of their high school career, it is encouraging to have so many new faces willing to work. The practice is already paying off as a number of spikers have their sights on the state meet.

The new and returning athletes are finding their niches in the competitions and trying new things, getting stronger, and having fun. A few standout performances lately were achieved by Allysa Lewin, javelin; Tyler Stevens, sprints; Halona Jackson, sprints and long jump;

Savannah Baez, high jump; Austin Young, discus; Dean Hern, long jump; Chase Nelson, high jump and shot put; and near and dear to assistant coach Ray Brown's heart, the distance duo of Tyler Blind and Evan Vallot came to life the past couple of weeks to dramatically improve their times in the 1,500 and 3,000 meters. (If you haven't guessed, coach Ray was a distance runner of days long past.) The team will soon be hosting its first meet on the new, all weather track May 6, with their new hurdles and warm up uniforms, paid for mostly by Adidas, Umpqua Joe 1859 chapter of E. Clampus Vitus and the Sportsman Tavern. Track meets are always entertaining and this team promises to not disappoint, so mark it on your calendar and come see a good facet of Cave Junction representing our town.

There are five weeks left of competition, culminating in Portland at the state meet for qualifiers.



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Happy drill team members Taylor Taylor (left), Lily Schlabach, coach Desiree Eddy, Alia Parker, and Zac Parker after a second place finish April 17. The drill team qualified for the Oregon High School Equestrian Teams State Championship May 12 - 15 at the Deschutes County Expo Center in Redmond. Individually, Taylor Taylor qualified in barrels. Call 541-821-7295 for sponsorship.



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No. 15 senior Brandon Loyd, looks for an opportunity to advance in an early season home game against Del Norte. The Cougars continue to struggle to get into the win column. They sit at 32-11 on the season.

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