

BOYS TRACK AND FIELD

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off a late charge by Sweet Home's Eric Flierl for a wire-to-wire victory in the 110 meter hurdles.

"When [Flierl] started pulling up to me, I got tense and thought, 'Oh man, I just need to win,' he said. 'So I tried going even harder, and I hit a few more but I cleaned up my race at the end.'"

Tharpe, who also placed third in the 100 and the 300 hurdles, is making his second-straight trip to state 110 hurdles and his first as the district champion.

"It means everything to me," he said of his first league title. "I've been working so hard to get up to this point and it's exciting."

In the 800, Tyler Ledford ran

a conservative 2:04.46 to finish second and qualify for state.

Through the early part of the season, Ledford considered himself more of a 3000-meter runner, but he said that he has definitely found his race in the 800.

Lion Brad Geisler also punched his ticket to state with a second-place finish in the discus on Thursday.

"I feel honored because that's been the goal all season," he said.

Geisler, who has had an inconsistent season, entered the finals in second with a mark of 117-2 and fell into third when a Junction City freshman launched a 121-foot, five-inch throw. But Geisler did not panic and reclaimed second place on his very next throw — a mark

of 125-4.

"Stressing about throwing good was how I started to slump in the first place," he said. "So, instead of looking at it as another guy who could beat me, I stayed calm and threw it right back in his face."

The Lions narrowly missed out on berths to state in the 4x100 and 4x400 relays.

In the short relay, Cottage Grove entered the final pass in first place, but anchor Brynden Howell, who had been sick during the week and scratched from his individual events, was passed by Sweet Home and Junction City.

The long relay team of Tucker Porter, Jayden Tucker, Ledford and Howard finished in 3:30.58, just behind Sisters (3:29.68) and Junction City (3:30.10). Howard

was unofficially clocked at 49.9 on his anchor leg.

The Lions, who finished with 118 team points, came close to second place, which was shared by Junction City and Sweet Home with 122 each. But nobody was catching Elmira, who outdistanced the competition with 208 points.

The Falcons got eight individual victories en route to victory. Zach Beltz won the 100, 200, long jump and triple jump; Zane Wardwell, who was named field athlete of the meet, took first place in the shot put and discus; and Gary Younce and Jeff Linn added victories in the javelin and pole vault, respectively.

Sweet Home's Jakob Hiett, who shared track athlete of the meet honors with Beltz, won the 1,500 and 3,000.



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Yamaha City League Champions — Drain Chainsaw

Sky-Em Baseball			Friday's Results		
Team	W	L	Elmira 11, Sutherlin 1		
Sisters	13	2	Sisters 3, Junction City 1		
Sweet Home	11	4	Sweet Home 10, Cottage Grove 3		
Elmira	9	6	Thursday's Games		
Cottage Grove	6	9	Junction City at Scappoose		
Junction City	5	10	Corbett at Sweet Home		
Sutherlin	1	14	COTTAGE BOWL		

Tuesday's Results			Yamaha City League Playoffs		
Sisters 7, Junction City 6			Drain Chainsaw vs Who Cares		
Elmira 12, Sutherlin 1			Drain Chainsaw: 1287, 1183, 1077		
Friday's Results			Total - 3547		
Sisters 13, Junction City 3			Who Cares: 1204, 1147, 1153		
Sweet Home 13, Cottage Grove 5			Total - 3504		
Elmira 12, Sutherlin 6					

Saturday's Results			MIDDLEFIELD MENS GOLF		
Sweet Home 5, Cottage Grove 1			Date: May 11		
Thursday's Games			Game: 1-2-3 Best Ball		
Cottage Grove at North Marion 5pm			1, England (BD), Doleman, Wamsley, Miller (-27). 2, Hayes, Sparks, Fisher, Cunningham (-25). 3, Beckett, Dreiling, Waterman, England (-24). 4, Rickard, Emery, Arney, Pennington (-23).		
Marshfield at Sweet Home			Low Gross: 1, Sparks 72. 2, Zuvich 73. 3, Emery 74.		
Molalla at Elmira			Low Net: 1, Miller 56. 2T, Fisher 57. 2T, Eyman 57.		
Summit at Sisters			Closest to the Pin: No. 5, Winters. No. 7, Zuvich. No. 14, Dreiling.		

Sky-Em Softball			Date: May 14		
Team	W	L	Game: Scramble w/ Tie Breakers		
Elmira	15	0	1, Helms, Eyman, Ingram, Wamsley (-9). 2, Hamilton, Rickard, Culp, Dorman (-9). 3, Avery, Gowing, Winters, Waterman (-8). 4, Emery, Ryan, Medin, Davis (-8). 5, Bodine, Hibner, Doudna, Hoover (-7).		
Sweet Home	11	4	Closest to the Pin: No. 5, Winters. No. 14, Medin. No. 14, Waterman (Hole in One).		
Junction City	7	8	Longest Putt: No. 2, Emery.		
Cottage Grove	5	10			
Sutherlin	4	11			
Sisters	3	12			

Tuesday's Results		
Elmira 12, Sutherlin 5		
Wednesday's Results		
Sisters 2, Junction City 1		
Sweet Home 8, Cottage Grove 6		

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"Coming into this I was confident and had the mindset that I was going to tear up the competition," she said.

Borigo, who has only been throwing the shot since last year, said she did not anticipate being the district favorite at the start of the season when she was still hovering around 34 feet, but she became more comfortable with that expectation as she continued to improve.

"Next week at state, I'm just hoping to beat my own mark," she said. "And if I can get my glides down I should be able to do that because I've done all of my far throws this year standing up."

Teammate Courtney Hammel also took home a district title. She came into the meet ranked second in the discus but threw a PR of 118-6 and beat her closest competitor by five feet.

"I just did what I always do," said Hammel, who improved on her previous best by over four feet. "I've gotten second place at every invitational we've been to this year, and I told myself that today was the day that I was going to take that first place spot."

Weybright qualified for state by taking second in the 800. After coming through the first lap in 73 seconds, she surged to the lead with 300 meters to go. But Junction City's Shayla Solomon covered Weybright's move and kicked past her over the final 50 meters to win, 2:25.50 to 2:26.19.

"I wanted get a little more of a gap [on the field] and it seemed to work for a little bit," Weybright said of her move to the lead. "But Shayla is a very strong runner; I wasn't surprised that she was there in the end. Things just didn't pan out as I'd hoped, but it happens."

Weybright also qualified for state in the 3,000 by finishing second on Thursday, but she said she will only run the 800 at state, which begins Thursday at Hayward Field.

In the 300 meter hurdles, Cottage Grove's Celeste Pelham battled Sisters' Sabrina Reifschneider all the way down the homestretch for second place. Pelham ran a personal best of



photo by Matt Hollander

Cottage Grove's Hudson Weybright (right) made a big move to the lead with 300 meters to go in the 800, but it was not enough to hold off Junction City's Shayla Solomon.

49.95 but came up short of qualifying for state.

"That was one of the best races I've run all season," she said. "I was beating myself up after the 100 hurdles (she finished fourth) but I realized I had one more race and I just put all that pent up anger towards that race and it showed. I was really hoping to beat [Reifschneider] but after the last hurdle there was nothing left to give."

Cottage Grove freshman Keara Murphy also narrowly missed out on qualifying for state. After prelims of the long jump, she was in second place with a mark of 15-4.75, which was over a foot better than her

previous PR. But Junction City's Kamryn Knox leapt out to 15-9 in the finals to push Murphy down to third.

The Lions also got third-place showings from Hannah Albrecht and Melissa Powers in the 100 and javelin, respectively.

Erynn Ricker, a freshman for Sisters, was named track athlete of the meet after picking up three individual victories. She won the 100 in 13.13, the 200 in 26.78 and the pole vault with a clearance of 9-8.

Knox cleared 4-10 to win the high jump to add to her victory in the long jump. She took home field athlete of the meet honors.



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