

## Olson and Byle score at State



Left: Sadie Olson competes in the shot put competition. Right: Margaret Byle begins the 400 on Friday night.

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With just two athletes competing, the girls of the Elkton track team made their mark at the state track and field meet over the weekend.

On Thursday, it was Sadie Olson getting things going for the Elks as she finished in second place in discus. Olson placed ninth in the shot-put competition on Friday.

On the track, it was a busy couple of days for Elkton's Margaret Byle. The freshman – not

content with just qualifying for the state meet in the 100, 200 and 400 – made it to the finals in all three of her events.

“It was lots of fun. It was really lots of fun, a privilege to be here,” she said after completing her final event of the day.

In addition to being a busy day, it was an especially busy two hours for Byle on Friday who went from the 100 at 5:40 p.m., the 400 half an hour later and the 200 to wrap up the day at 7:29.

“No, not really (any down time),” she said. “I just tell myself

I’m going to do my best. Make sure I’m stretched a lot and just stay warmed up and know that I’m going to do the best I can.”

Byle, who walked away with fifth (100), sixth (400) and seventh (200) place finishes, valued her experience at state and will carry the lessons she learned to the rest of her high school track career.

“That there are going to be people better then you but just do your best. That’s what I try to do,” she said.

The two Elks finished 13th in the team competition.

## Lopez takes second in high jump



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Laaron Lopez clears six-feet in the high jump on Friday night.

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In the early stages of the 2A high jump competition, Yoncalla's Laaron Lopez, who finished second, could not miss. As competitors knocked the bar, Lopez cleared his first six heights on his first attempts.

“When I started clearing 5-6, 5-8, 5-10, they’re easy for me. But after 5-10 my adrenaline starts kicking in because that’s when I get to see my competi-

tion and I start jumping higher and working harder. So that’s really what helped me today,” he said.

With just two jumpers left in the competition, Lopez cleared 6-2 on his third attempt while Brody Davidson of Santiam cleared it on his second attempt, which won Davidson the title.

“It feels awesome but disappointing at the same time. Like, I’m freaking stoked. It’s such a jump from eighth place last

year to second place this year,” said Lopez.

For Davidson, it was his first time clearing a height over six feet.

Lopez was the only member of the Yoncalla boys team competing at state.

On the girls side, Yoncalla/ North Douglas’ 4x100 relay team of Kaleigh Soto, Samantha Baker, Rilie Jo Olds and Justice Cox took seventh while Yoncalla's Shaunasi Hardy took eighth place in javelin.

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Middlefield Men's Club Thursday 5/17/2018 Game: 3, 2 Points	Third Place (tie): 110 Jake Cox, Phil Jones, Bill Medin, Richard Vargas	Low Gross: Dylan Rowe, 69 Deross Kinkade, 74 Jerry Singer, 74 Gary Sparks, 75 Tim Martin, 75	First Place: -24 Jim Cunningham, Darrell Lee, Keith Rowling, Bob Martindale
First Place: 115 Tom Arney, Larry Emery, Don Hanly, Jerry Pennington	Fifth Place: 109 Jim Cunningham, Tim Martin, Gary Ordway, Keith Rowling	Low Net: Gary Ingram 60 Larry Zuvich 61 Mel Gowing 61 Don Hanly 62 Jerry Pennington 62	Second Place: -21 John Kallbrier, David Morris, Kevin Bergman, Jerry Pennington
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## Elks and Warriors falter at the finish



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Left: Brad Doudna delivers a pitch on Thursday. Right: Brandon Rundell comes up with a catch in the outfield on Thursday.

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It was a day of scoreboard watching and disappointment last Thursday for the Elkton and North Douglas baseball teams. On the final day of the regular

season, the pair of teams were fighting for the fourth and final playoff spot. The Warriors were a game up heading into the day and after both teams lost both games of their double-header, that is where they stayed. With an earlier start time

thank Elkton, North Douglas started the day with a 10-5 loss to Oakland. The game was followed by a 13-0 loss to the Oakers that saw five North Douglas pitchers in the first three innings of play.

With the tiebreaker against the Warriors in their hand, the Elks then just needed one win to head to the playoffs. They lost the first game of the day 10-3 to Oakridge but in the second game, it was their game. The team held a 4-0 lead before the visiting Oakridge side scored four runs in the bottom of the third to tie the game and walk away with an 8-5 victory.

“Not the way we wanted to end,” said Elkton head coach Bill Shaw.

“What happened was they just hit the snot out of the ball.”

On Saturday, North Douglas took on Oakridge in the league-playoff where they won 5-4. After the win, they then placed Oakland in a win-or-go-home game that saw the Oakers take a 4-3 victory to move on to the playoffs and end the season for the Warriors.



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