

Track

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• Emma Timm competed in the 400, although Cole said her specialty is the 800.

“She competed strong at districts and state while learning how to manage the strategy of the race,” Cole said. “It has been fun watching Emma gain confidence with her running.”

• Brooklyn Jaca competed in four events and “had a very strong showing in all four,” Cole said.

She tied her personal best in the high jump at 4-10, finishing fifth. She also ran well in the 100 and 300 hurdles and ran a leg for the 4x400 relay team that placed third.

• Anna Belding qualified for the 400 final by finishing second in her heat.

She was disqualified in the finals for stepping on the lane line too many times, Cole said.

“The corners are so short and tight that it is different than what they run the rest of the season,” she said.

• Jayden Whitford, a freshman, competed in the pole vault, an event she took up just three weeks ago, Cole said.



Baker's Zojie Ramos, shown here competing in the district track and field meet on May 14, 2022, at BHS, placed fourth in the high jump and 12th in the shot put at the Class 4A state championships in Eugene May 20-21, 2022.

“While she did not make opening height, she had two very good attempts at it,” Cole said. “She will be back next year.”

In addition to Baker's third-place finish in the 4x400 relay,

the Bulldogs' 4x100 relay team placed 11th, matching a personal record at 52.77 seconds.

Relay team members are Belding, Sofia Hanson, Whitford and Alexis Conant. Cole said Hanson, a freshman,

stepped in for Baeth due to scheduling conflicts.

“Sofia stepped up and ran a great leg with very little notice,” Cole said. “I was super proud of how she handles it all”

Boys individual results

• Thaddeus Pepera finished seventh in the 300 hurdles.

• Daniel Brown, a freshman, finished 10th in both the 1,500 and 3,000, setting personal records in both races.

“Daniel competed as well as any distance runner I have taken to state in 35 years,” Cole said. “It is so difficult to compete when the front kids are so fast that it usually pulls the runners beyond their capacity. But Daniel stuck with his strategy and performed very well. He ran two perfect races.”

• Tate Powell placed 11th in the discus.

“He had a rocky start because his was the first event at the meet, and it wasn't as organized as well as we would expect,” Cole said. “It was a bit of a rush, but he handled it very well and stayed focused. The discus ring is so different, and some of the athletes did not get a legal throw in. Tate did throw well, and I consider this a good first trip to state for him.”

• Malaki Myer competed in the 200 and 400, and was close to qualifying for the finals in both races.

“He competed very well, but it just wasn't in his legs to

compete at the top of his abilities,” Cole said.

• Angel DeArcos competed in the 400 and 800.

In the 400, “he ran a very good race, but not quite enough to get to the finals,” Cole said. “He competed well.”

• Dash Bloomer competed in the javelin and the 110 hurdles.

“He had three really good throws right at his PR in the javelin, but not quite enough to get into the finals,” Cole said.

• Reeve Damschen placed 10th in the pole vault, clearing 11 feet, 6 inches.

“I am very excited for how he did,” Cole said. “He had good attempts at 12 feet.”

• Baker's 4x100 relay team — Wyatt Hawkins, Kayden Garvin, Diego Quintela and Malaki Myer — placed ninth. “They competed very well,” Cole said.

• Baker's 4x400 relay team placed seventh, setting a new personal record by three seconds.

Runners are Wyatt Hawkins, Diego Quintela, Angel DeArcos and Malaki Myer.

“Malaki ran a great anchor leg,” Cole said. “This is such an exciting race.”

BAKER TENNIS AT STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS



Lisa Britton/Baker City Herald

Baker's Danny Cunningham finished second in the regional tennis tournament on Saturday, May 14, 2022.

Baker faced tough competition at state championship

Baker City Herald

CORVALLIS — Baker's four state-qualifying tennis players had to adjust to tougher competition, and in some cases to playing indoors for the first time, at the Class 4A/3A/2A/1A state championships at Oregon State University.

Baker didn't win any matches on Friday, May 20, and no Bulldogs advanced to the final day of the event, Saturday, May 21.

“The kids fought some tough battles,” Baker coach Amy Younger said. “The set scores don't always show how good the games are.”

In boys singles, Danny Cunningham took on third-seeded Lucas Franssen of Marist Catholic in the first round.

Franssen won, 6-2, 6-1.

Younger said Cunningham “had some good points and even some games.”

In a consolation match, which was played in the pro set format (first player to win eight games), Cunningham lost 8-2 to Gage Hurst of North Marion.

“I felt he played well and fought hard and hopefully he can go again next year,” Younger said of Cunningham.

In girls singles, Baker senior Sarah Plummer also drew the third seed, Bailey Bell of Philomath, in the first round.

Bell placed second in last year's 4A state showcase event.

The match was also in

OSU's indoor facility, a new experience for Baker.

Bell, who went on to finish third in the tournament, won 6-0, 6-0.

“Sarah battled hard but her set scores didn't reflect it,” Younger said.

In a consolation match, Plummer lost 8-0 to Laina Atiyeh of Stayton.

“She played hard and walked off the court very happy with her performance,” Younger said.

Baker's girls doubles team of Maya Smith and Olivia Jacoby played Marin Roseman and Sophia Dube of Oregon Episcopal in their first match, also on an indoor court.

Smith and Jacoby led 3-2 in the first set but couldn't maintain their momentum.

Another game in the first set went to deuce five times.

Roseman and Dube, who went on to win the state championship, won 6-3, 6-0.

Younger said Smith and Jacoby “played very well and fought a great battle.”

In a consolation match, also indoors, Smith and Jacoby lost 8-5 to Phoebe Dodson and K Bacho of Philomath.

“Again they battled for every point and game won,” Younger said.

She hopes to build on this year's results for the 2023 season.

“This was a great experience for these players and hopefully next year I will get to take more players to state,” Younger said.

POWDER VALLEY, PINE EAGLE AT STATE TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS

Badger boys 2nd, Pine Eagle boys 6th



Davis Carbaugh/The (La Grande) Observer

Powder Valley's Kaden Krieger, second from left, shown here during a meet on April 23, 2022, won three events at the Class 1A state championships. His teammate, Reece Dixon, far left, placed in four events.

Baker City Herald

EUGENE — Powder Valley senior Kaden Krieger won three events to lead the Badger boys to second place in the team standings at the Class 1A track and field championships last weekend at Hayward Field on the University of Oregon campus.

The Powder Valley boys had 52.5 points, behind only Adrian, with 74 points.

Krieger won the 400 meters, 110 high hurdles and 300 hurdles. He was also fourth in the high jump.

The Pine Eagle boys finished sixth with 30 points.

The Spartans were led by senior Caleb Brown, who won the 800 with a personal best time of 1:58.69.

His teammate, Cooper Gover, was third.

Brown also placed third in the 3,000 with another personal record of 9:10.19.

Pine Eagle's Ella Randall won the state title in the shot put with a throw of 36 feet, 8.5 inches. The Spartan girls were 19th in the team standings, with 10 points.

Powder Valley results

Boys

100

Reece Dixon, 5th, 11.56

200

Reece Dixon, 6th, 23.43

400

Kaden Krieger, 1st, 50.79; Jackson Chandler, 3rd, 53.40

110 hurdles

Kaden Krieger, 1st, 15.55

300 hurdles

Kaden Krieger, 1st, 39.90

Discus

Logan Proffitt, 12th, 88-1

High jump

Kaden Krieger, 4th, 5-10

Long jump

Reece Dixon, 6th, 19-3

Triple jump

Reece Dixon, 7th, 39-8.5

Girls

Javelin

Dallee Bingham, 8th, 103-9

Long jump

Ayla Bingham, 7th, 14-4

Pine Eagle results

Boys

800

Caleb Brown, 1st, 1:58.69 (PR); Cooper Gover, 3rd, 2:01.05 (PR)

3,000

Caleb Brown, 3rd, 9:10.19 (PR)

4x400 relay

2nd, 3:36.32 (Reid Davis, Cooper Gover, Caleb Brown, Cole Morgan)

Girls

Ella Randall (PE), 1st, 36-8.5



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Pine Eagle's Caleb Brown won the 800-meter race and was third in the 3,000 at the Class 1A state track and field championships May 19 and 20, 2022, at Hayward Field in Eugene.

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