

HJH track team wins individual team titles AWANA club Pre-fair workshop planned

The Heppner Junior High track competed at a championship meet May 12 at Umatilla. Following are results from that meet:

Darrin Ployhar-seventh 300m hurdles, fourth medley relay; Mitch Matthews-eighth 300m hurdles, seventh 1500, fourth medley relay; Lief Neese-fifth 100m hurdles, sixth long jump, fourth medley relay; Cody Bellamy-third 1500m, second 88m, eighth softball, fourth medley relay; Matt Jepsen-first shot put, first 100m hurdles, second high jump, second 200m; Mike Schonbachler-fourth softball, third 100m hurdles, second discus, seventh 100m; Stanley Cutsforth-fifth softball, sixth discus, fourth medley relay-Mike Haugen; Levi Geer-first 400m champion 58.03 (record is 57.82), first 800m, third softball, fifth shot put.

Students scoring points at early meets were Shane Reeb, Heidi Turrell, Tracy Rankin and Matt Van Liew.

All Junior High team members placed at least once during the season. Seventh grade: Desi Schmeltzer-champion high jumper, second 100m hurdles, sixth 200m; Leah Denton-third high jump, seventh long jump, second 200m; Abby Kahl-first 400m NSR 1:05.75, first 800m NSR 2:42.20, eighth discus, second medley relay; Casey Ingraham-seventh high jump, second long jump, second softball, third 200m; Allison Sykes-seventh 400m, fourth 4x100 relay; Ashley Ropp-fourth 4x100 relay, second medley relay; Laurie Michael-fourth 4x100 relay, second medley relay; Kristen Marshall-fourth 4x100 relay; Kim Pointer-second medley relay; Jill

Barber-second high jump relay, second 100m hurdles, third 200m, second 100m; Jamie Perez-seventh 300m hurdles, third 1500m, third 800m.

Eighth grade: Tim Dickenson-champion 800m hurdles, champion 1500m 4:53.27, third high jump, fifth 800m; Tony Greenup-second softball and shot put, seventh discus, sixth 100m; Brian Knowles-third 100m hurdles, fourth high hump, second medley relay and NSR; Derek Gunderson-champion 100m 12.2, 200m 25.25 and NSR, champion long jump and NSR 18'5", second medley relay and NSR; Jared Eckman-defending high jump champion, first, champion high jumper 5'7", sixth 200m; Jeff Waterland-sixth 300m hurdles, sixth softball; Royal Robinson-second 400m, third discus and NSR, eighth shot put, eighth 800m; Casey

Evans-fifth 100m hurdles, seventh 200m, second medley relay and NSR; Shane Matheny-third 1500m, first 800m, second medley relay and NSR, seventh long jump; Travis Winters-eighth 100m; Julie Watkins-third 300m hurdles, fifth high jump, third 400m, second medley relay; Amber Peck-fourth softball, champion 400m and NSR 1:06.30, champion 100m hurdles, second 200m; Janelle Healy-sixth softball, fifth shot put, third high jump; Jaci Hughes-seventh 100m hurdles, fifth 100m, eighth softball; Brooke Boyer-1500m defending champion, first champion 1500m 5:56.48, second 800m, fourth high jump, second medley relay; Kathleen Greenup-second shot put, second medley relay; Kristi Worden-fourth 1500m, fifth 800m, second medley relay.

presents awards

AWANA Clubs presented year-end awards to clubbers in an awards program at Lexington Baptist Church.

"We are very excited about the achievements accomplished by the clubbers this year," said Loren Unruh, the club commander. The awards program included a talk given by Pastor Tim VanCleave of the Christian Life Center, Heppner. Then each club director presented awards to their clubbers.

In SPARKS, represented by clubbers in the kindergarten through the second grade, director Karen Temple presented several awards. Earning their first book ribbons were David Flynn, Cory McGuire, Gina McKinney, and Jake Gavin.

Earning second book ribbons were Sarah Gavin, Amy Jepsen, Brianna Jones, Abby Key, Kelsie McKinney, Matthew VanCleave, and James VanLiew. SPARKY plaques, representing completion of all three SPARKS books, were presented to Jessica McGuire, Kimberly Morris, and Kristal Temple.

Director Glenn Anderson presented the awards to the PALS Club, represented by boys in the third and fourth grades. First book ribbons were presented to Johnny Collin, Zeke Long, and Andrew Westrom. Daniel Jepsen was presented a second book ribbon. The Excellence Trophy, representing completion of all PAL books and extra points for sportsmanship and conduct, was presented to Darren VanCleave.

Presenting awards to the CHUMS Club, representing girls in the third and fourth grades, was director Sue Norton. The first book ribbon was presented to Emily Key. The CHUMS Excellence Trophy was presented to Meaghan Unruh.

GUARDS, representing girls in the fifth and sixth grades, were presented awards by director Phyllis Anderson. Jannicka McGuire and Emily Unruh were presented Third Book Trophies.

AWANA Clubs is an independent Christ-centered club that has been going for three years at Lexington Baptist Church. Leaders from many local churches have participated with AWANA, said a spokesperson for the club. These churches include the First Christian Church, the Christian Life Center, and the Episcopal Church, all Heppner, and the Lexington Baptist Church.

AWANA Clubs are available at Lexington Baptist Church for children in kindergarten through sixth grade. The club is scheduled to start again in September.

"What is the very first thing to do when I take my exhibit to the fairgrounds?" "What is the difference between 4-H exhibits and 4-H contests?" "Where can I learn to move across the stage so I won't be scared during 'My Favorite Outfit' contest?" The answers to these questions and many more will be explained on Saturday, June 17, at the Home Economics and Expressive Arts Pre-Fair at the Morrow County Fairgrounds. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., with classes scheduled from 9 a.m. to noon.

This free, non-competitive event is the place to learn how to understand the fair premium book, fair registration forms, how to be comfortable during interview judging, practice for fair contests and more. All 4-H members are welcome to attend this event. It is most helpful to newer members, said Carol Michael-Bennett, Morrow County Extension agent. Parents, relatives and leaders are encouraged to attend with members. Adults will tour fair facilities and have a chance to learn tips from county fair "veterans". A morning spent learning about fair activities will

have enormous pay-off for youth participating in contests and exhibits, said Michael-Bennett.

Parents are responsible for helping children register for exhibits and contests, as well as getting members and materials to the right activity at the proper time. Leaders are willing to help, but parental involvement and support is vital to the youth's self-confidence and enjoyment of fair activities, Michael-Bennett said. A goal for the 1995 pre-fair is to increase awareness of the contests available to all 4-H members regardless of project area.

Presentations, Scrapbook, My Favorite Outfit, Educational Displays, Beef Ambassador, and Wheat and You are contests that any Morrow County 4-H member can enter.

Many of the activities will be led by junior and teen leaders. This is the place to get answers to questions about 4-H fair activities. Pre-registration is not necessary but participants need to bring a snack for the break.

For more information, call Michael-Bennett, 676-9642 or 1 800 342-3664.

HJH track team break records



photo by April Sykes

Front L-R: Abby Kahl, Royal Robinson, Tim Dickenson; back-Brian Knowles, Casey Evans, Shane Matheny, Derek Gunderson. Not pictured Amber Peck.

The Heppner Junior High Track Team finished the 1995 track season with an awards night held May 16, attended by athletes, parents and family members.

The eighth grade girls and boys teams captured team titles at the championship meet held May 12 in Umatilla. The eighth grade boys retained their seventh grade championship. Heppner's seventh grade girls and boys took second place out of the 10 schools participating. More junior high school records continued to fall at the meet, with the following records established:

Tim Dickenson-1500m, 4:53.27, old record Dickenson, '94-4:56.46; medley relay-Shane Matheny, Derek Gunderson, Brian Knowles, Casey Evans, 3:07.36, old record set May 5 by Levi Geer, Royal Robinson, Derek Gunderson and Shane

Matheny, 3:12; Derek Gunderson-long jump, 18'5", old record Gunderson, 18'3", May '95; Derek Gunderson-200m sprint, 25.25, old record Alex Lindsey, 25.62 in 1982.

Abby Kahl-400m record of 1:05.75, and Amber Peck 1:06.30, old record Missy Turner, 1:06.40, 1982. Kahl also set a new 800m record at 2:42, old record, Kim Stookey, 2:43.63, 1986. Royal Robinson threw the discus 106' to break the 1995 record of 103'6" set by Andy Sykes.

Those coming up just shy on records this season were Levi Geer in the 400m and 800m, Derek Gunderson in the 100m dash, Matt Jepsen in the 100m hurdles, and Amber Peck in the 100m hurdles.

Special awards at the awards night were given to Derek Gunderson and Amber Peck, Abby Kahl and Levi Geer at the evening's closing.

Family barbecue planned at WCCC

The Willow Creek Country Club will have a family barbecue on Sunday, June 4, at 4 p.m.

Each family will bring their own meat. Those whose names begin with "A" through "I" should bring dessert; "J" through "Z" should bring salad.

Rollie and Debbie Marshall, Mike and Regina Mills, Roy and Juanita Martin, and Dean and Mary Gilman will host the barbecue.

Lutheran plan services

Rachel Hoobing and Paul Tews will lead worship services and deliver the sermon at Hope and Valby Lutheran Churches on Pentecost Sunday, June 4. Worship will be a service of the word, and the congregation will pick hymns.

Worship service and Sunday school at Valby, on the lone-Gooseberry road, is at 9 a.m. Worship at Hope, Heppner, is at 11 a.m.

The rite of confirmation for Matt Berretta, Audra Bunch, Casey Evans, Casey Ingraham, and Glenn Nesse will be celebrated at Hope Lutheran Church on Holy Trinity Sunday, June 11, at 11 a.m.

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Graduation June 1 and 2

Bryce Tucker was inadvertently left off the senior graduation page in the May 22 edition of the Gazette-Times. Bryce will graduate from Heppner High School on Friday, June 2. Graduation ceremonies will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Heppner High School gym.

Graduation ceremonies for Ione High School will be Thursday, June 1 at 8 p.m. in the lone High School gym.

Also listed incorrectly was Josh Munkers, a senior at Heppner High School.



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