

Ione track brings home medals from first regular meet

Young team shows promising season start



Ione junior Jorge Aguilar sets a PR with a 40' 0.5" shot put.
—Photo by Paula Emmel

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The Ione track team attended the Mullen-Leavitt Invitational in The Dalles Thursday, March 19, bringing home several medals to start their season.

Ione Track and Field has a mostly young team this year. However, some returning juniors started right where they left off last year. Rachel Holland threw her javelin with a new personal record (PR) of 103'9", an increase of 6'7" inches over her best last year.

Jorge Aguilar bested his shot put distance by 1'3" for a new PR of 40' 0.5". Also returning was sophomore Karsen Dumler, who set a PR in shot put with a distance of 26'8", an improvement of 1'9".

Returning sophomore Ashley Medina threw her discus just 6 feet short of her personal best, making a strong showing of the season to come.

Returning sophomore Hector Aguilar ran all three of his races just short of his personal bests from last year. We look for good things from him.

Returning junior Ann Rietmann had a troublesome start with getting penned inside and had to drop back and go around the pack in her 800M run. She did a good job at 3:08.26a. Also a returning junior, Jessie Flynn had a strong showing of her talent, placing high in all of her events—second in high jump and 300M hurdles and fourth in long jump.

Returning senior Oscar Peterson was unable to compete, as he was diagnosed with a torn ACL and meniscus of his knee, an injury he incurred during basketball season and that had been troubling

him throughout practice. He will need surgery and likely miss the rest of track season, much to his disappointment.

A new-comer, senior TJ Patton, competed in his first 1500M with an impressive time of 5:30.99a. He also threw the discus. With some technique and getting over being sick, he will do well this season.

Another new athlete to the team is junior Frances Knop. She putted her shot 22'1" and threw her discus 34'3". With some experience, she also will be a good contender.

Incoming freshman Kaitlin Garrett placed eighth with her throw of 64'3" in the discus. She also putted the shot 24'6.5". Incoming freshman Maggie Flynn ran a Personal Best 100M (15.39a) and Long Jumped a personal best of 13 feet.

Also new to the team this year is exchange student David Smidmajer from the Czech Republic. He participated in two sprints and threw the discus.

Rounding out the team are sophomores Henry Padberg, Chris Pryor, Yaniva Garcia and Noah Lawson, and freshmen Sonia Medina, Maggie Flynn, Tyson Epperson and Emily Taylor. All of them showed well in their individual competition.

Eighteen of the 20 athletes competed at The Dalles. Ione looks forward to a rewarding season. Next meet is April 3 at the Carnival of Speed in Milton-Freewater at 11 a.m. To follow the team's competition, go to www.athletic.net to find individual rankings and scores. Ione is in Special District 3 of the 1A Division of Oregon.

Placing at The Dalles:

Jorge Aguilar: 4th in Shot Put, 40' 0.5"; 7th in Discus, 101'5"
 Rachel Holland: 4th in 400M, 1:07.70a; 1st in Javelin, 103'9"
 Jessie Flynn: 2nd in High Jump, 4'10"; 2nd in 300M Hurdles, 50.70a;
 4th in Long Jump, 15'9"
 Kaitlin Garrett: 8th in Discus, 64'3"
Currently in top 10 of Special District 3 are:
 100M: #8 Smidmajer, #10 H. Aguilar, #7 M. Flynn, #9 Garcia, #6 Padberg
 200M: #5 Smidmajer, #7 Padberg, #10 H. Aguilar
 400M: #2 Holland, #9 H. Aguilar
 800M: #4 Rietmann
 1500M: #7 TJ Patton
 300M: Hurdles #1 J. Flynn
 Shot Put (SP): #2 J. Aguilar, #7 Dumler, #9 Pryor, #6 K. Garrett, #9 Knop
 Discus: #3 J. Aguilar, #8 Patton, #10 Smidmajer, #5 K. Garrett, #6 A. Medina
 Javelin: #2 Holland, #6 Garcia, #8 Taylor
 High Jump (HJ): #1 J. Flynn
 Long Jump (LJ): #6 Epperson, #7 Dumler, #1 J. Flynn, #6 M. Flynn, #7 Garcia
Currently in the top 10 of 1A are juniors:
 J. Aguilar: #2 Shot Put (SP), #7 Discus
 R. Holland: #2 400M, #3 Javelin
 J. Flynn: #1 Long Jump (LJ), #2 High Jump (HJ), #1 300M Hurdles
 A. Rietmann: #6 800M
 Total team results

from The Dalles are as follows:
Mens Results
 100 Meters - Varsity - Finals
 24. Henry Padberg, 12.99a
 33. David Smidmajer, 13.55a
 42. Hector Aguilar, 14.37a
 200 Meters - Varsity - Finals
 19. David Smidmajer, 27.44a
 24. Henry Padberg, 27.78a
 35. Hector Aguilar, 29.88a
 37. Tyson Epperson, 31.99a
 400 Meters - Varsity - Finals
 14. Hector Aguilar, 1:09.18a
 1500 Meters - Varsity - Finals
 15. TJ Patton, 5:30.99a
 Shot Put - 12lb - Varsity - Finals
 4. Jorge Aguilar, 40-00.50
 27. Karsen Dumler, 26-08.00
 33. Chris Pryor, 23-07.50
 Discus - 1.6kg - Varsity - Finals
 7. Jorge Aguilar, 101-05
 17. TJ Patton, 79-10
 22. David Smidmajer, 76-09
 35. Chris Pryor, 60-08
 Javelin - 800g - Varsity - Finals
 31. Tyson Epperson, 64-00
 Long Jump - Varsity - Finals
 24. Tyson Epperson, 12-08.00
 25. Karsen Dumler, 12-04.00
Womens Results
 100 Meters - Varsity - Finals
 18. Maggie Flynn, 15.39a

21. Yaniva Garcia, 15.76a
 29. Emily Taylor, 16.63a
 400 Meters - Varsity - Finals
 4. Rachel Holland, 1:07.70a
 800 Meters - Varsity - Finals
 11. Ann Rietmann, 3:08.26a
 300m Hurdles - 30" - Varsity - Finals
 2. Jessie Flynn, 50.70a
 Shot Put - 4kg - Varsity - Finals
 10. Kaitlin Garrett, 24-06.50
 15. Frances Knop, 22-01.00
 18. Sonia Medina, 20-09.50
 19. Ashley Medina, 19-

08.00
 Discus - 1kg - Varsity - Finals
 8. Kaitlin Garrett, 64-03
 11. Ashley Medina, 57-06
 19. Sonia Medina, 45-04
 23. Frances Knop, 34-03
 Javelin - 600g - Varsity - Finals
 1. Rachel Holland, 103'09
 14. Yaniva Garcia, 64'10
 18. Emily Taylor, 54-11
 High Jump - Varsity - Finals
 2. Jessie Flynn, 4-10.00
 Long Jump - Varsity - Finals
 4. Jessie Flynn, 15-09.00
 12. Maggie Flynn, 13-00.00
 14. Yaniva Garcia, 12-11.50



Cardinal junior Rachel Holland sets a PR in javelin with a throw of 103' 9" inches. —Photo by Paula Emmel

Historical society kicks into gear with museum trip

The Morrow County Historical Society is sponsoring a trip to the Western Antique Aeroplane & Automobile Museum in Hood River on Saturday, April 11. The MCHC group will depart from St. Patrick's Senior Center in Heppner at 7:45 a.m. and arrive back at the senior center at 5 p.m. The WAAAM Air & Auto Museum has one of the largest collections of still-flying antique aeroplanes and still-driving antique automobiles in the country.

Plus, April 11 is a second Saturday of the month, which happens to be the day of the month when WAAAM volunteers fly and drive the artifacts for visitors' enjoyment.

Cost of the trip will be \$10 per-person admission to the museum, an esti-

mated \$10 per person for gas and driver for those who ride the senior bus, and cost of lunch.

Lunch will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. There are food vendors on-site at the museum; cost for lunch from the vendors is estimated at \$7, but participants may also eat off-site or bring a sack lunch.

A sign-up sheet is available at the senior center in Heppner.

Questions, call Dave DeMayo at 541-676-8017.



Volunteers do some spring cleaning on an antique tractor at the WAAAM. —Contributed photo courtesy of WAAAM

Community Bank announces \$1000 photo contest

Community Bank has announced a new contest to start in April.

The "Traveling Hamilton Photo Contest" in-

volves taking and entering a photo of HAMILton, the Community Bank pink piggy bank, on an adventure. Entrants need not be bank customers. Anyone can pick up their own HAMILton piggy bank now from a local Community Bank branch to get started.

Entry into the weekly contest begins April 17. Winners will be determined by a Facebook voting platform. Each week there will be one winner of \$100, distributed as "Hamiltons" (\$10 bills). There will be one winner each of the nine

weeks. Weekly winners are automatically entered into the grand prize voting period occurring from July 6 to July 20. The winner of the Grand Prize will receive \$1000, also distributed as "Hamiltons" (ten dollar bills with President Hamilton's face).

Entrants must be 13 years old or older to enter. To see complete details and a schedule of the entry and voting periods for this contest, see the official rules online at www.communitybanknet.com/files/TravelingHAMILton.pdf.

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