



CCS 1600 m. relay team breaks Chase Co. school record; two other meet records fall

By Jan Schultz The Imperial Republican

A new 1600 meter relay school record is in the books for the Chase County girls after their performance at Friday's Dundy County/Stratton track meet.

That race helped the Lady Longhorns onto another meet championship, something they've gotten used to this season.

The relay team's time of 4:07.9 was about a second and a half faster than the 2007 CCS record. Their first place time Friday also set a new meet record in Benkelman.

The team included Kadyne Milner, Paige Spady, Destiny Reinke and Kristen Jussel. It was definitely a race, though. They finished just half a second ahead of Dundy County/Stratton, who they'll be seeing again this week at districts.

Holding the old CCS record of 4:09.1, set at the 2007 district meet, was the team of Tabitha Russell, Nicole Dickey, Whitney Paisley and Erica Pirog.

Heading into districts this week, that Chase County relay time of 4:07.9 was leading all others in Class C, said Coach Al Zuege.

Also breaking a Dundy Co./Stratton meet record Friday was the Lady Longhorn 3200 meter relay team of Taylin McNair, Milner, Spady and Reinke.

Their first place time of 10:07.6 was nearly 17 seconds ahead of second place.

Coach Zuege said it was a great day of performances in perfect weather.

"I was just really pleased with our girls across the board. They really competed," he said.

While the meet was won easily by Chase County, there were some great races, Zuege noted. One of those was the 800, won by Chase County's Reinke. She pulled ahead the last 150 meters, Zuege said, and won by more than three seconds in a personal best time.

That 800 brought Chase County a lot of points, as Katelyn Wheeler finished third and Milner, fourth.

Kristen Jussel scored a first in both hurdles again with strong showings, as did Jodi Koellner, who won both the shot and discus. Freshman Wheeler won the high jump.

Team scoring was Chase Co. 204, Dundy Co./Stratton 118, Perkins Co. 79, Atwood/Rawlins Co. 54, Maywood 51, Cheylin, Kan. 46, Wallace 30, So. Platte 25, Wauneta/Palisade 19 and Hayes Center 16.

Here are Chase County's medal-winners in the top eight, and all first place finishes.

Long jump—1, Rohey Singhateh, Atwood 17-04.00; 3, Cheyanne Kuhlmann, CCS 14-07.50; 7, Mikaela O'Brien, CCS 13-07.50.

Shot put—1, Jodi Koellner, CCS 37-03.50; 2, Valeria Cervantes, CCS 36-08.50; 8, Anna

Bauerle, CCS 31-01.75.

High jump—1, Katelyn Wheeler, CCS 4-10; 2, MaKenna Ketter, CCS 4-08; 6, Molly luhrs, CCS 3-10.

4x800 meter relay—1, CCS (Taylin McNair, Kadyln Milner, Paige Spady, Destiny Reinke) 10:07.60.

100 meter hurdles—1, Kristen Jussel, CCS 16.30; 3, Megan Engbrecht, CCS 17.60; 4, Cheyanne Kuhlmann, CCS 18.30.

100 meter dash—1, Rohey Singhateh, Atwood 12.70; 5, Andrea Hogsett, CCS 13.30.

400 meter run—1, Aubrey Frederick, DC/S 1:01.20; 5, Katelyn Wheeler, CCS 1:06.50; 7, Taylin McNair, CCS 1:06.90.

3200 meter run—1, Justine Stone, Maywood 12:13.70; 5, Josie Peterson, CCS 14:00.60; 6, Rose Sullivan, CCS 15:40.60.

200 meter dash—1, Rohey Singhateh, Atwood 26.90; 6, Andrea Hogsett, CCS 29.30.

Triple jump—1, Courtney McClenahan, PC 32-11.00; 4, Cheyanne Kuhlmann, CCS 30-11.50; 6, Sarah Allen, CCS 29-10.75.

Discus—1, Jodi Koellner, CCS 112-03; 2, Valeria Cervantes, CCS 105-03; 6, Anna Bauerle, CCS 98-10.

Pole vault—1, Kaylee Burke, DC/S 8-06; 3, Destiny Reinke, CCS 8-06; 4, Andrea Hogsett, CCS 8-06; 5, Josie Peterson, CCS 8-00.

800 meter run—1, Destiny Reinke, CCS 2:27.20; 3, Katelyn Wheeler, CCS 2:34.60; 4, Kadyln Milner, CCS 2:35.30.

300 meter hurdles—1, Kristen Jussel, CCS 48.10; 4, Megan Engbrecht, CCS 53.90.

1600 meter run—1, Justine Stone, Maywood 5:38.70, 2, Paige Spady, CCS 5:49.60; 8, Josie Peterson, CCS 6:26.50.

4x100 meter relay—1, DC/S 51.80; 3, CCS (Jadin Bussell, MaKenna Ketter, Ally Vrbas, Andrea Hogsett) 53.20.

4x400 meter relay—1, CCS (Taylin McNair, Paige Spady, Destiny Reinke, Kristen Jussel) 4:07.90.

Personal bests

200 meters—Jadin Bussell 29.54

400 meters—Katelyn Wheeler 66.64

800 meters—Destiny Reinke 2:27.20; Katelyn Wheeler 2:34.60

1600 meters—Paige Spady 5:49.60; Kaylee Meeske 6:50.00

Shot put—Jodi Koellner 37' 3.5; Anna Bauerle 31' 1.75

Discus—Anna Bauerle 98' 10

Pole vault—Destiny Reinke 8' 6; Andrea Hogsett 8' 6

Districts this week

The C-11 district meet arrives today (Thursday) and Chase County will be vying for the district title. Also looking for a team championship will be DC/Stratton and Bayard, Coach Zuege said.

But, Zuege said their No. 1 goal Thursday will be to qualify as many athletes for state as possible.

“We are interested in qualifying kids for state vs. winning the meet,” he said.

So, as a result, that may mean holding girls out of an event in which they could score points so they will be rested and do better in another to qualify for state, he said.

Realistically, Zuege said Chase County could qualify nine to 10 girls in as many as nine events.

Events get underway in Bayard at 10:30 a.m. with the first session of field events. Running events kick off at 12 noon with the 3200 meter relay.

The second session of field events is slated for a 2:30 p.m. start, while the track finals get underway at 3:30 p.m.

There are 11 Class C districts in the state. The winners of the first two places in each individual running event qualify for state, as well as the fastest two third place finishes from all 11 districts meets.

In relays, the district winning team qualifies, along with the next five fastest times regardless of place in a comparison across all 11 districts.

In field events, first and second place at districts make the cut for state, in addition to the following standards that, if reached, qualifies the athlete no matter how they place in the meet:

High jump 5'1"

Long jump 16'7"

Triple jump 35'0"

Shot put 38'11"

Discus 119'1"

Pole vault 9'6"