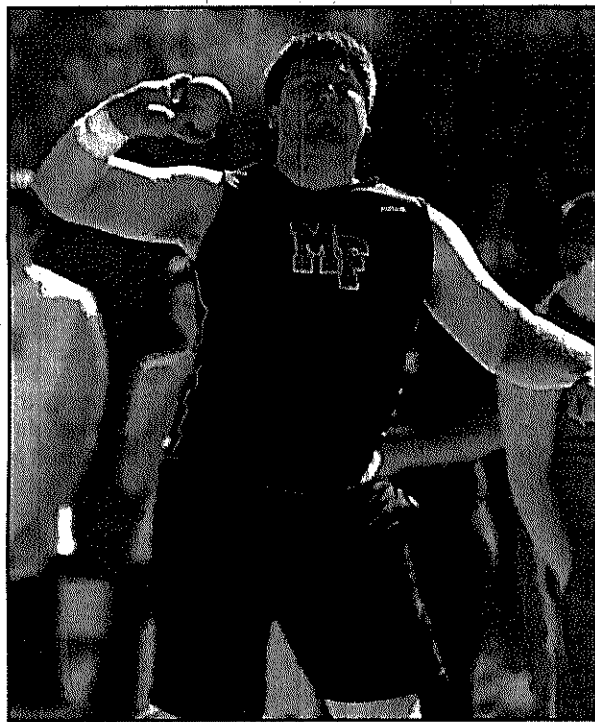


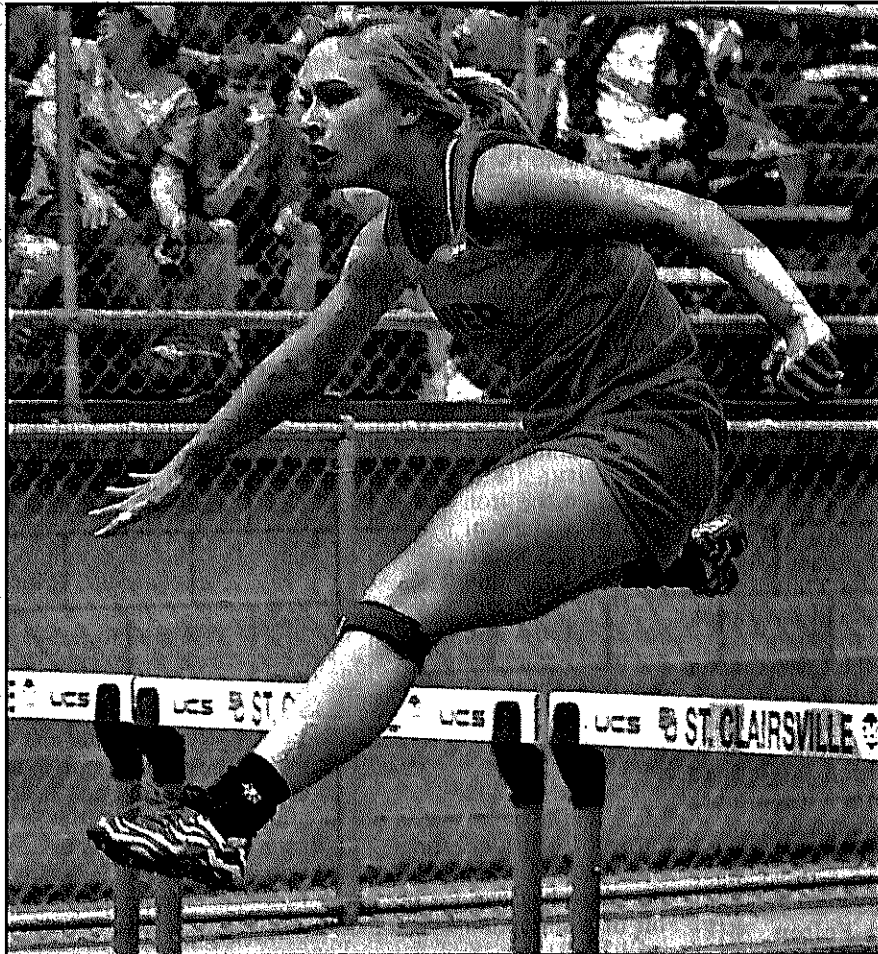
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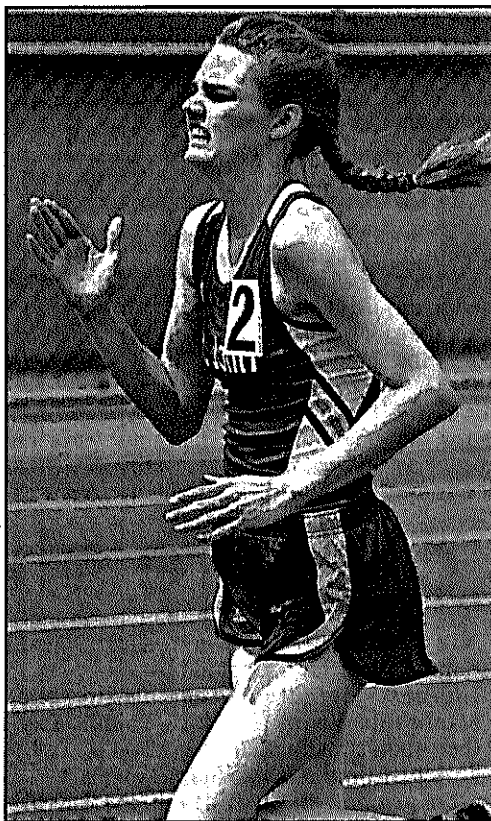
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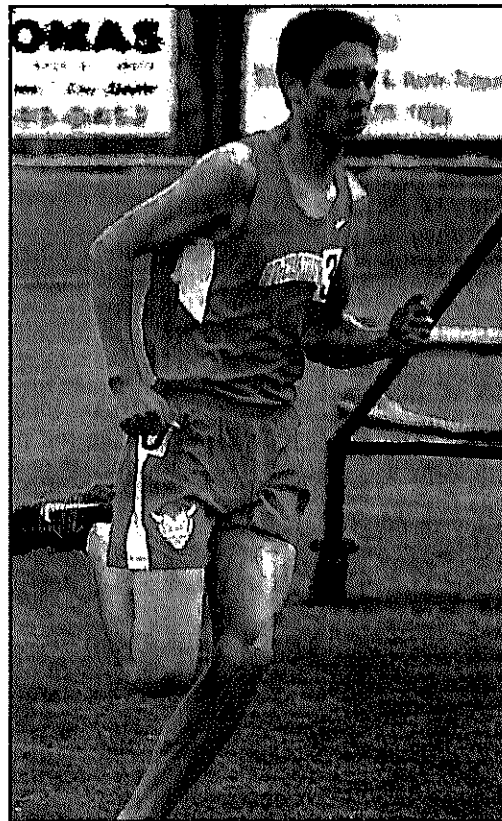
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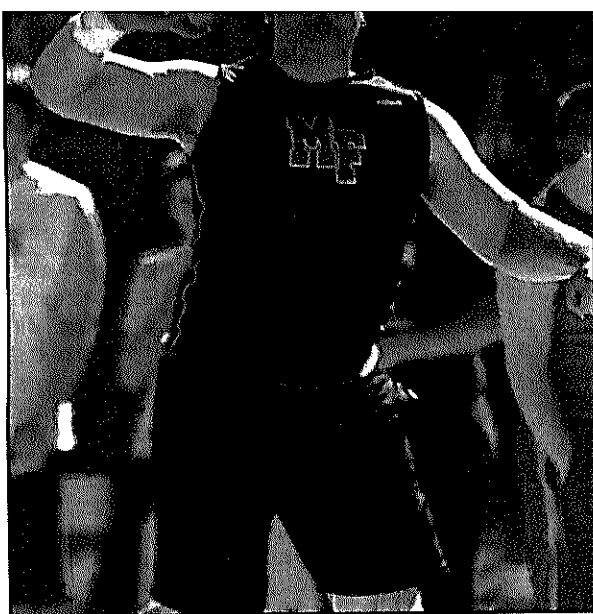
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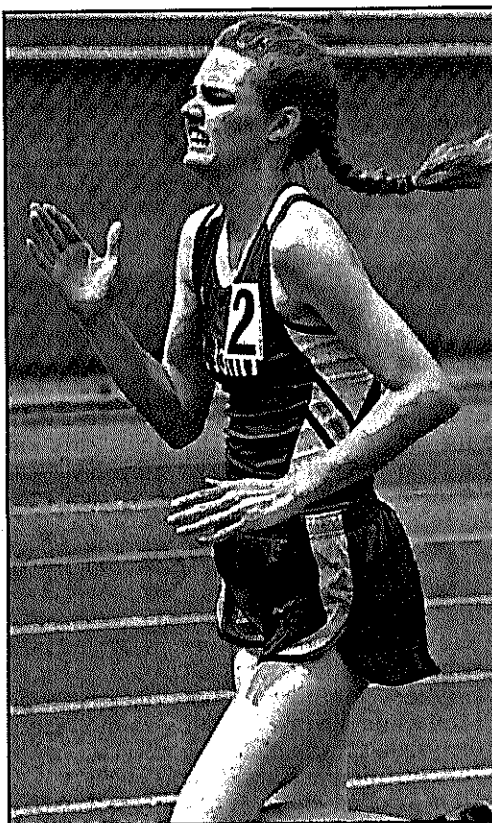
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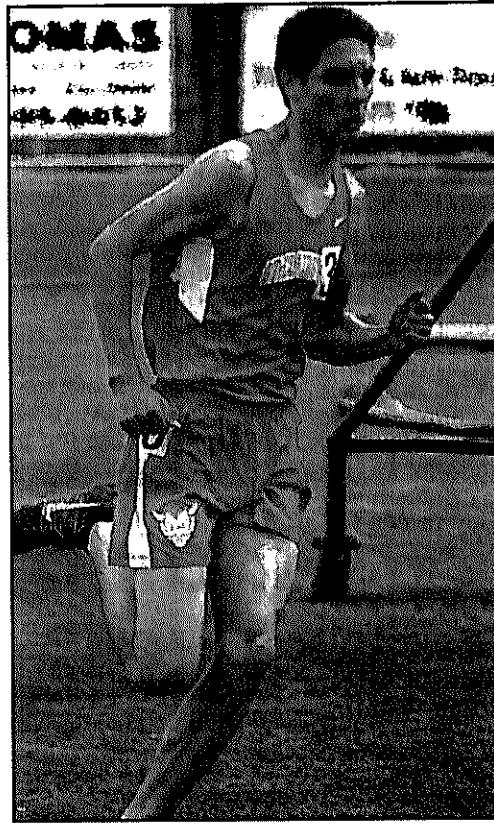
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All of the Lady Riders' relays finished inside of the top six and the usual suspects such as Sunshine Wrenn, Taylr Jenkins, Tyesha Allen, Sarah Applegarth and Nikki Allen, all posted solid individual finishes.

"Now we're going to get ready and go after that Navarre regional," Materkoski said. "We're a little banged up right now, but when we're healthy, we're a pretty good team. We just have to get healthy for the postseason."

St. Clairsville's girls finished a solid fifth overall. The Lady Red Devils were fueled by three individual champions.

Senior Alyssa Robinson continued to prove she's the premier thrower in the Ohio Valley. Robinson, who is headed to Penn State University, posted a double gold performance in leading the Lady Red Devils.

The reigning Division II state shot put champion made the most of her final OVAC meet, re-writing the meet recordbook in her specialty. She launched the iron ball to a mark of 46-ft-7 1/2, which is an all-time Ohio Valley record, meet record and stadium record, on her final throw of the meet. That mark is a personal best by an inch.



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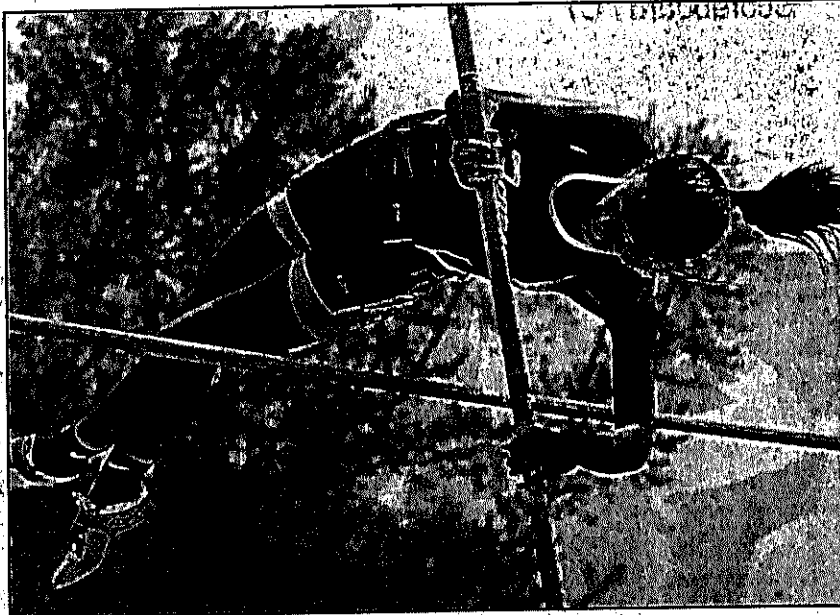
"I had a safe mark on the board, so on my last two throws I just went for it," Robinson disclosed. "I was pretty excited with the mark because I'd been in a little bit of a slump, so I really think this will boost my confidence heading into the postseason in a few weeks."

Robinson's slump had carried over to the discus ring, but she erased that as well when she captured the discus title with a mark of 110-ft-1.

"Discus isn't my best event, so I am working hard to try to improve and get into the 120s," Robinson said. "It's a lot more technical than the shot put, so I am working to get that down. I am going to hit the weightroom pretty hard the next couple of weeks and then get ready for the district."

St. Clairsville's other champion came in the 3200 meter run. Senior standout Julianna Madzia turned in an 11:09.25 to win the eight-lap race title. Her time was a meet record. She also finished fourth in the 1600.

IN CLASS 3A, the River Lady Pilots claimed the top prize for the first time in more than 20 years as rookie head coach Bob Cicogna's



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MARTINS FERRY'S Courtney Crolley soars over the bar during the pole vault. She helped lead the Lady Riders to the Class 4A title by finishing second in the pole vault. Additional images may be found at cu.timesleaderonline.com

team scored an impressive 61 points.

"We've got a great group of kids," Cicogna said. "Our three seniors have done a great job leading our team. We set a goal to get as many kids to the finals as we could and then run to the best of our ability on Saturday and let everything else take care of itself."

It didn't hurt the Pilots' cause that they had senior standout Cassidy McCullough leading the way. McCullough left with four medals around her neck, including another gold in the 300 meter low hurdles.

"We've been working really, really hard for this (team title)," McCullough said. "We knew when we bumped up in class who our competition was and we did what we had to do to get this. To be able to end my high school career with a team (OVAC) championship is really nice."

The defending state champion in the event, McCullough skimmed eight hurdles in 46.26 to win by nearly two full seconds.

"My times are dropping, but not as much as I'd like them to, but I am hoping they continue to come down as we keep going in May," McCullough admitted.

Along with her low hurdle victory, McCullough was third in the 100 (12.60), second in the 200 (26.18) and third in the long jump (16-ft-5 1/4).

IN CLASS 1A/2A, the St. John Central Lady Irish must have known it was Kentucky Derby day Saturday because they rode their horses to vic-

tory. Coach Paul Xenakis led the Lady Irish to the school's 15th title thanks to big points from sophomore Fallon Doyle in the distance races and splendid frosh Jessica Alvey in the sprints.

"It's tough when the classes are combined and it makes it tough on everyone, but amazingly every single girl we had here ran a personal record," Xenakis said.

Doyle, who was an all-Ohioan last season, captured her first, and second, OVAC title in impressive fashion. After running an impressive 5:07.66 to claim gold in the 1600 meter run, Doyle came back a short-time later and turned in an impressive 2:21.06 to claim the 800 title and basically push the Irish to the top of the small-school leaderboard for good.

"I didn't know because of how warm it was if a double like that was possible, but it was a great day," Doyle smiled. "I kind of fell back a little bit in both races, but I knew I was going to have a good kick. I was very happy with the mile time and coming back in the 800, I was happy with that, too."

Alvey got the Lady Irish started in the morning field events when she finished second in the long jump (16-ft-8). She then placed third in a deep 400 meter dash field in a time of 59.11. Plus, she was eighth in the 200.

The Lady Irish 4x4 team placed fifth overall to close the deal.

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seven guys (scoring), I can't speak highly enough about what they're doing," Materkoski said. "Our usual suspects came out and got us going on the field. We've basically only got one junior (Brian Styles) scoring on the track and the rest are sophomores, which I think speaks volumes for what could happen in the future around here."

The Purple Riders, who scored nary a point in a distance event, got off to a strong start thanks to an 18.5 point day from senior standout Sean McGee. He defended his shot put title with a meet-record toss of 53-8 1/2. He was second in the discus with a twirl of 151-ft-2.

Senior Cody Schau continued to be the area's premier high jumper. He won the title by soaring over 6-ft-0 for the gold.

On the track, the Purple Riders turned to the speed foursome of Styles, Hunter Hill, Andrew Watts and Jack Fitch. The quartet turned in a 1:32.32 to re-write the OVAC record-book and take the 4x2 gold.

A short-time later, the same foursome turned in a 44.30 to win the 4x100 relay.

Other overall champions that came from Class 4A included Steubenville's shuttle team of Michael Diaz, Joey Nodianos, Oko Anyabwile and Garon Lyle. The team posted a sizzling 58.66 to prevail.

St. Clairsville senior Drake Walker, who won the 800 title last season, added the 1600-meter gold to his collection. He circled the oval four times in a meet-record 4:28.33 to prevail.

The Red Devils' junior speedster Jaylon Brown notched his first individual OVAC title. He posted a 10.89 to edge Big Red junior Robert Hayden, who won the slower heat in 10.91, for the title. Brown was scratched from the 200 after experiencing tightness in his hamstring.

IN CLASS 3A, the Linsly Cadets approach the OVAC as other schools approach their respective postseasons. It's as good as it gets for the Cadets.

Linsly, which won the 2A title the last two seasons, bumped up a division and made no difference. Coach James Cowart's team was the dominant squad in the 3A field, out-distancing runner-up



ST. C'S Jaylon Brown sprints to victory in the 100 meter dash.

Barnesville by 37.5 points. "The guys knew coming in that it was going to be tough," Cowart said. "These guys have worked hard all year and this is the goal from day one, so they went out and got it. We stressed to our guys that they had to place well on Tuesday and Thursday or Saturday would have been ultra-tough for them."

Fueling the Cadets was a one-two finish in the 200 meter dash. Jamal Ebanks ran the half-lap dash in 22.95, which just edged out senior teammate Chinello Oparanozie.

The Cadets' speed also led them to a third-place finish in the 4x2. The team of Robert Felton, Mike Hammond, Zak Kriechbaum and Ebanks posted a 1:35.11.

The runner-up Shamrocks were led by an individual champion. Senior Jacob Anderson, who is the area's premier 300 meter hurdler, provided the spark. The West Liberty signee re-wrote the intermediate hurdle record-book when he posted a 39.40, which is 49 hundredths better than his previous personal best that he ran during the qualifying round.

IN CLASS 1A/2A, the CeeBees captured their first-ever OVAC title since joining the conference in 2011.

Leading the way was the individual championship of Nathan Tolley in the 400 meter dash.

Runner-up Valley received a strong meet from senior standout Spencer Mason in the throwing events to finish a close second. St. John Central Garrett Holubeck turned in a school-record 50.79 clocking to finish second in the 400.

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Individual Results

100M: Trott (Morg), 12.29; Taylor (Wells), 12.50; McCulough (Riv), 12.60; McGhee (WVP), 12.61; Baldwin (Morg), 12.75; Jenkins (MF), 12.83; Burch (OG), 12.93; Robb (WVP), 13.05.

200M: Trott (Morg), 25.89; McCulough (Riv), 26.18; Baldwin (Morg), 26.22; Jenkins (MF), 26.59; Rice (Steub), 28.74; McKirahan (Meadow), 28.82; McGhee (WVP), 28.90; Alvey (SJC), 28.94.

400M: A. Haight (JM), 58.02; Burch (OG), 58.78; Alvey (SJC), 59.11; Grove (WVP), 59.70; E. Haight (JM), 1:00.52; Wrenn (MF), 1:00.98; Gotta (SCC), 1:01.41; Hart (FF), 1:01.89.

800M: Doyle (SJC), 2:21.06; Lynch (Morg), 2:23.28; Haight (JM), 2:24.58; Shaw (HC), 2:27.37; Brooks (Morg), 2:27.76; Surface (ER), 2:29.38; Wrenn (MF), 2:30.55; Nolder (OG), 2:31.59.

1600M: Doyle (SJC), 5:07.66; Harshbarger (Morg), 5:08.90; Castle (STC), 5:10.28; Madzia (STC), 5:10.72; Pineault (Morg), 5:29.94; Mastantonio (Weir), 5:38.89; Wills (Univ), 5:39.64; Phillips (Camb), 5:46.82.

3200M: Madzia (STC), 11:09.25; Harshbarger (Morg), 11:17.00; Castle (STC), 11:25.88; Pineault (Cald), 11:41.04; Furr (Cald), 11:53.84; Curry (PS), 12:13.11; Mastrantonio (Weir), 12:18.83; Romanek (WVP), 12:27.15.

100M HH: Darrow (JM), 14.82; Demus (Steub), 15.17; Bumgardner (WVP), 15.43; Carron (CB), 15.52; Watta (Steub), 15.60; Rigaud (SCC), 15.81; Allen (MF), 15.95; Borsch (Ed), 16.08.

300M LH: McCulough (Riv), 48.26; Borsch (Ed), 48.76; Virtue (Weir), 49.86; Redpath (BL), 49.90; Dolan (WVP), 49.93; Hall (WVP), 50.18; LeMasters (SJC), 50.55; Palmer (Lins), 51.22.

4x100: Morgantown, 49.80; Wheeling Park, 50.81; Steubenville, 50.82; Steubenville Catholic, 51.49; Clay-Battelle, 51.72; Martins Ferry, 51.72; St. Clairsville, 51.86; Brooks, 52.27.

4x200: Wheeling Park, 1:45.58; John Marshall, 1:45.69; Morgantown, 1:46.91; Steubenville Catholic, 1:47.30; Martins Ferry, 1:48.27; Meadowbrook, 1:48.31; Clay-Battelle, 1:49.41; Edison, 1:49.64.

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4:08.96; Wheeling Park, 4:08.98; John Marshall, 4:11.86; Weir, 4:16.16; St. John Central, 4:17.93; Meadowbrook, 4:21.40; Martins Ferry, 4:21.69; Morgantown, 4:21.87.

4x800: Morgantown, 9:57.40; Oak Glen, 10:01.25; Weir, 10:03.92; Martins Ferry, 10:07.91; Steubenville Catholic, 10:29.76; Linsly, 10:31.19; Caldwell, 10:35.31; Wheeling Park, 10:45.29.

Shuttles: Wheeling Park, 1:06.35; Steubenville, 1:06.64; Wheeling Central, 1:07.11; John Marshall, 1:07.18; Martins Ferry, 1:07.41; Brooks, 1:12.18; Edison, 1:12.95; Morgantown, 1:13.49.

Long Jump: Watts (Steub), 17-1; Alvey (SJC), 16-8; McCulough (Riv), 16-5 1/4; Massey (Bpt), 16-3 3/4; Taylor (Wells), 16-3 1/4; Pollock (Ed), 15-7 3/4; LaFata (Morg), 15-5; Goodrich (IC), 15-4 1/4.

High Jump: Pollock (Ed), 5-2; Voateen (SCC), 5-2; Winsten (Camb), 5-0; Darrow (JM), 5-0; Wahl (Barnes), 5-0; Durkin (WVP), 5-0; Lee (MF), 4-10; Jordan (Shen), 4-10.

Pole Vault: Hamrick (PS), 10-08; Crolley (MF), 10-0; LaFata (Morg), 9-6; Buchanan (FF), 9-0; Russell (UL), 9-0; Kinemond (Shady), 8-6; Dolan (WVP), 8-6; Tallman (Morg), 8-0; Cordy (Bell), 8-0.

Shot Put: Robinson (STC), 46-7 1/2; Winters (JM), 37-0 3/4; Morris (Morg), 36-0; Massey (Camb), 35-0; Anderson (Camb), 34-8 1/2; Green (Bell), 34-7 1/2; Coles (Wells), 33-7; Dickerson (WVP), 32-7 1/2.

Discus: Robinson (STC), 110-1; Coles (Wells), 108-7; Pavan (Madi), 105-4; Dickerson (WVP), 103-9; Anderson (Camb), 102-5; Santinoco (SJC), 101-10; Patton (UL), 101-6; Shimko (IC), 100-7.

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100M: Brown (STC), 10.89; Hayden (Steub), 10.91; Ingram (WVP), 11.27; Spoonamore (HC), 11.28; Felton (Lins), 11.40; Rohde (Mag), 11.41; Campbell (Morg), 11.41; Ebanks (Lins), 11.41.

200M: Ebanks (Lins), 22.95; Oparanozie (Lins), 23.18; Hinkle (CB), 23.17; Zerkle (Shen), 23.34; Bennett (Weir), 23.35; Styles (MF), 23.35; Slatas (Weir), 23.48; Anderson (Morg), 23.85.

400M: Tolley (CB), 50.05; Holubeck (SJC), 50.79; Lavender (Steub), 51.09; Hammond (Lins), 51.41; Slatas (Weir), 52.62; English (EL), 52.87; Stevens (Camb), 53.27; McDiffitt (UL), 53.80.

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Mohigans Hold Off Park for 5A Crown

Ferry repeats as 4A champions

By SETH STASKEY
For the News-Register
ST. CLAIRSVILLE

The OVAC track championship is one that runs in cycles.

Teams usually find their way to multiple championships in a row when they start winning them and this year's girls' races proved that philosophy to be 100-percent accurate.

All four of the champions had been to the winners' circle in the past — three of the four were there last season.

The Morgantown girls, who are coached by Shadyside High School

graduate Steven Blinco, proved to be the ultimate cream of the crop.

The Mohigans racked up 143.75 to fight off Wheeling Park for the overall and 5A crown.

Martins Ferry's girls, who were the reigning overall champions, scored 93 points and repeated as the Class 4A champion.

River, which hadn't won an OVAC team title since 1986, finally got over the hump and captured the 3A banner, scoring 61 points.

And all St. John Central does is win girls' track titles. The Irish finished sixth overall with 66.5 points and knocked off Steubenville Central by 13. The title is the 12th straight for the Irish.

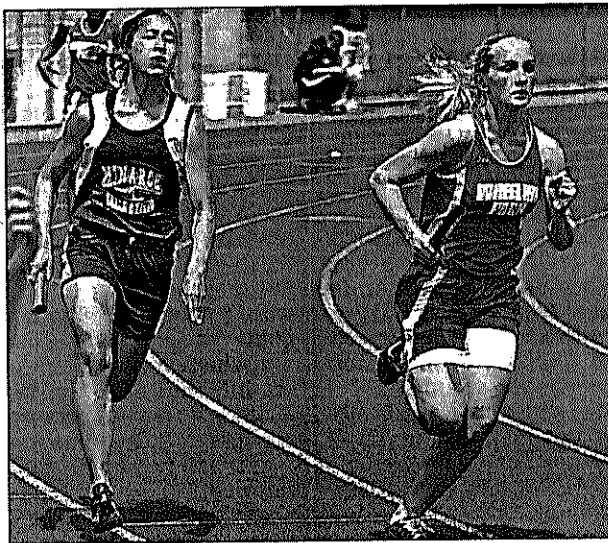


Photo by Mike Palmer

John Marshall's Ashley Haught and Wheeling Park's Chloe Robb compete in the girls' 800-meter relay.

■ In Class 5A, Morgantown rode the speed factor to victory. Senior speedster Natasha Trott claimed both the 100- and 200-meter dashes, running 12.29 and 25.89, respectively.

The Mohigans also won the 400 relay, scored well in distance and in the field to earn the repeat in the big-school division.

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Park, Linsly Find Success at OVAC

Patriots capture 5A title; Cadets get 3A

By SETH STASKEY

For the News-Register

ST. CLAIRSVILLE

The Ohio Valley Athletic Conference wrapped up its five-day stay Saturday at Red Devil Stadium, crowning its track and field champions for the 2013 season.

Times were fast, distances were far and heights were high as more than 40 schools locked horns for the course of 18 events to decide who was the best in the conference and some familiar names, both individually and in the team rankings, proved to be the cream of the crop again.

The Wheeling Park Patri-

ots, who won only one event, captured the 5A and overall title with 104.5 points. Linsly was second overall and won the 3A title in the process, posting 79.5.

As many expected, an event-for-event battle developed in Class 4A, which put five teams inside the overall top 10. However, when the dust settled it was Meadowbrook, which outlasted Martins Ferry, despite the Purple Riders' meet-high five championships, 78-75.5.

In the small-school battle, relative OVAC newcomer Clay-Battelle claimed the team title with 38.5 points, which was five ahead of defending Class 1A champion Valley.

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Coach Russell Hutchins' Wheeling Park team was led by a victory in the 800 relay. The four-some of Nakysa McGhee, Rakedra Webb, Chloe Robb and Ashley Grove turned in an 1:45.56 for the gold.

The Patriots also claimed the shuttles. The team of Jazzlynn Hall, Cristin Dolan, Kayley Miller and Tamara Bumgardner turned in a 66.35 to prevail.

John Marshall had a strong meet as well. Freshman Tori Derrow turned in a personal-best time of 14.82 to win the 100-meter high hurdles.

Senior Ashley Haught captured the 400 meter dash in a time of 58.02.

Edison's Katelyn Pollock won the high jump

■ In Class 4A, Coach Rich Materkoski's Riders have been the area's premier team all season and showed that to be true again.

The Riders had a strong week of qualifying and used their depth to run away and hide from the balance of the 4A field despite not winning an overall title.

The Riders scored well in a bevy of places. They received their highest scoring in the pole vault where senior ace Courtney Crolley was second with a 10-foot clearance.

All of the Riders' relays finished inside of the top six and the usual suspects such as Sunshine Wrenn, Taylor Jenkins, Tyesha Allen, Sarah Applegarth and Nikki Allen all posted solid individual finishes.

St. Clairsville's girls finished a solid fifth over-

all. The Red Devils were fueled by three individual champions.

Senior Alyssa Robinson continued to prove she's the premier thrower in the Ohio Valley. Robinson, who is headed to Penn State University, posted a double gold performance in leading the Red Devils.

The reigning Division II state shot put champion made the most of her final OVAC meet, re-writing the meet recordbook in her specialty. She launched the iron ball to a mark of 46-7 1/2, which is an all-time Ohio Valley record, meet record and stadium record, on her final throw of the meet. That mark is a personal best by an inch.

Robinson's slump hadn't carried over to the discus ring, but she erased that as well when she captured the discus title with a mark of 110-1.

St. Clairsville's other champion came in the 3200 meter run. Senior standout Julianna Madzia turned in a meet-record 11:09.25. Her time was a meet record.

Steubenville's Elise Watts captured long jump title, marking the pit at 17-1.

■ In Class 3A, the River Pilots claimed the top prize for the first time in more than 20 years as rookie coach Bob Cicogna's team scored an impressive 61 points, with standout Cassidy McCullough leading the way. McCullough left with four medals around her neck, including another gold in the 300 meter low hurdles.

The defending state champion in the event,

McCullough skimmed eight hurdles in 46.26 to win by nearly two full seconds.

Along with her low hurdle victory, McCullough was third in the 100 (12.60), second in the 200 (26.18) and third in the long jump (16-5 1/4).

■ In Class 1A/2A, the St. John Central Irish must have known it was Kentucky Derby day Saturday because they rode their horses to victory.

Coach Paul Xenakis led the Irish to yet another title thanks to big points from sophomore Fallon Doyle in the distance races and splendid frosh Jessica Alvey in the sprints.

Doyle, who was an all-Ohioan last season, captured her first, and second, OVAC title in impressive fashion. After running 5:07.66 to claim gold in the 1600 meter run, Doyle came back a short-time later and turned in an impressive 2:21.06 to claim the 800 title and basically push the Irish to the top of the small-school leaderboard for good.

Alvey got the Irish started in the morning field events when she finished second in the long jump (16-8). She then placed third in a deep and loaded 400-meter dash field in a time of 59.11. Plus, she was eighth in the 200.

The Irish 1600 team placed fifth overall to close the deal.

Steubenville Central's 1600 team of Taylor Zapolnik, Moriah Vosteen, Kara Kakascik and Michaela Gotta posted a 4:06.96 to win the final girls' event of the meet.

SUCCESS

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■ In Class 5A, the Patriots stood tall in the big-school division for the 24th time in their history and have now won 10 straight championships.

The Patriots proved it to be a team sport by the fact that they scored in 14 events, including capping the title when the team of Jaleel Brown, Maurice Miller, Austin Farley and Brandon Porter posted a 3:31.93 to win the 1600 relay crown.

Park managed to finish second in the shuttles, 300 hurdles (Farley), 800, high hurdles (Farley), 3200 relay and pole vault (Chase Bonar).

■ In class 4A, it was a battle throughout the day as each event saw jockeying on the team scoring leaderboard as Meadowbrook, Martins Ferry, St. Clairsville, Harrison Central and Steubenville all put forth solid meets.

The Colts, however, led the way and claimed the school's third OVAC title and first since 2008 with the win.

Meadowbrook, which won the first event of the day thanks to sophomore Darren McCaughan in the long jump, had to overcome the Purple Riders' impressive showing that was highlighted by four victories and a runner-up finish.

The Purple Riders, didn't score a point in a distance event, got off to a strong start thanks to an 18.5 point day from senior standout Sean McGee. He defended his shot put title with a meet-record toss of 53-feet, 8 1/2-inches. He was second in the discus with a twirl of 151-2.



Photo by Mike Palmer

Steubenville's JaQuan Lavender, Clay-Battelle's Nathan Tolley, and St. John's Garrett Holubeck compete in the 400-meter dash on Saturday.

Senior Cody Schau continued to be the area's premier high jumper. He won the title by soaring over 6 foot for the gold.

On the track, the Purple Riders turned to the speed foursome of Styles, Hunter Hill, Andrew Watts and Jack Fitch. The quartet turned in a 1:32.32 to re-write the OVAC recordbook and take the 800-meter gold.

A short-time later, the same foursome turned in a 44.30 to win the 400 relay.

Other overall champions that came from Class 4A included Steubenville's shuttle team of Michael Diaz, Joey Nodianos, Oko Anyabwile and Garon Lytle. The team posted a sizzling 58.66 to prevail.

St. Clairsville senior Drake Walker, who won the 800 title last season, added the 1600-meter gold to his collection, with a meet-record 4:28.33 to prevail.

The Red Devils' junior speedster Jaylon Brown notched his first individual OVAC title. He posted a 10.89 to edge Big Red junior Robert Hayden, who won the slower heat in 10.91, for the title. Brown was scratched from the 200 after experiencing tightness in his hamstring.

■ Linsly, which won the 2A title the last two seasons, bumped up a division and made it no difference. Coach James Cowart's

team was the dominant squad in the 3A field, out-distancing runner-up Barnesville by 37.5 points.

Fueling the Cadets was a 1-2 finish in the 200 meter dash. Jamal Ebanks ran the half-lap dash in 22.95, which just edged out senior teammate Chinello Oparanozie.

The Cadets' speed also led them to a third-place finish in the 800 relay.

The team of Robert Felton, Mike Hammond, Zak Krichbaum and Ebanks posted a 1:35.11.

The runner-up Shamrocks were led by an individual champion. Senior Jacob Anderson, who is the area's premier 300 meter hurdler, provided the spark. The West Liberty signee re-wrote the intermediate hurdle record book when he posted a 39.

■ In Class 1A/2A, the CeeBees captured their first-ever OVAC title since joining the conference in 2011.

Leading the way was the individual championship of Nathan Tolley in the 400-meter dash.

Runner-up Valley received a strong meet from senior standout Spencer Mason in the throwing events to finish a close second. St. John Central Garrett Holubeck turned in a fine 50.79

clocking to finish second in the 400.

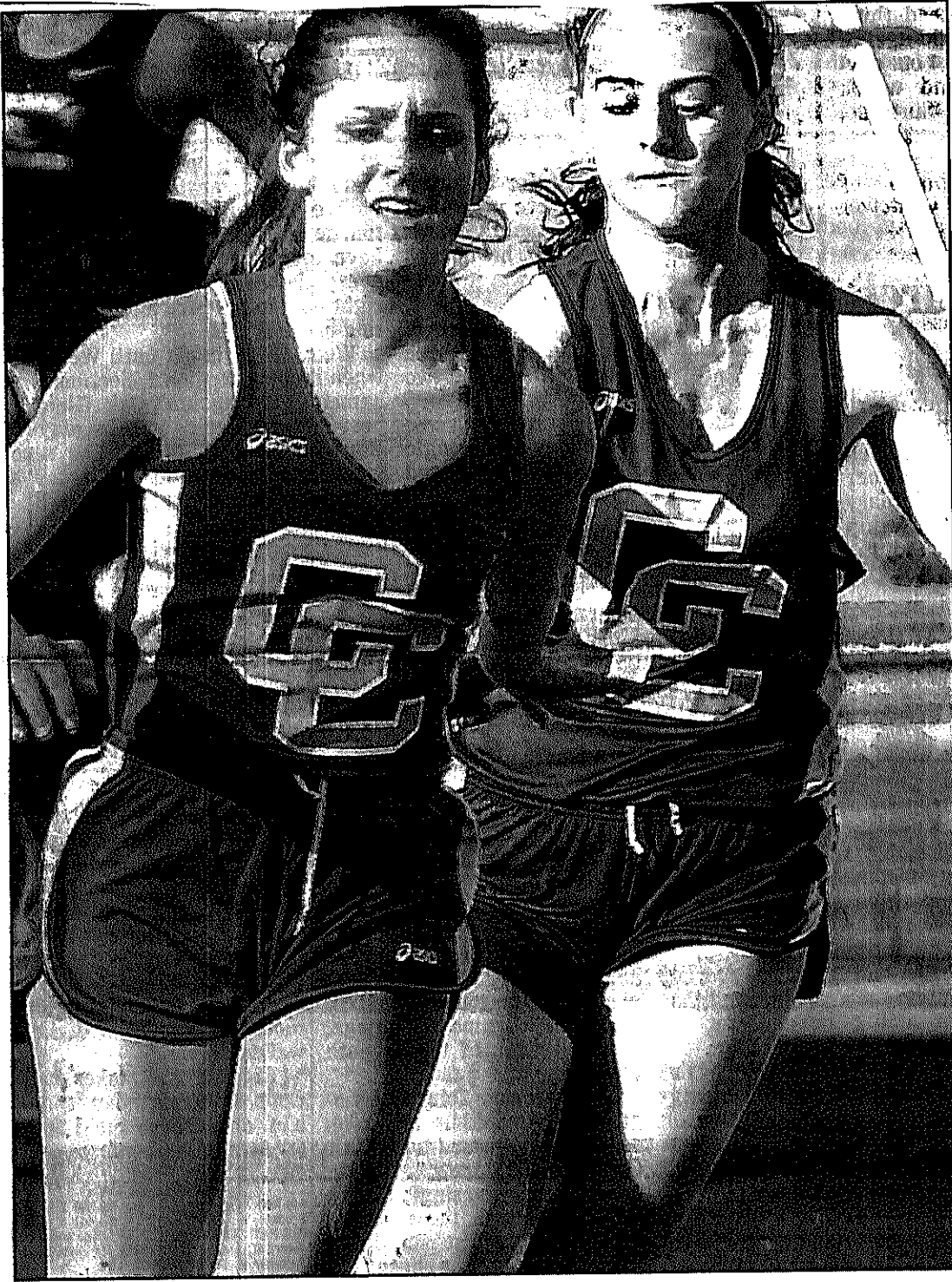
OVAC Track and Field Results

OVAC Track and Field Championship (at St. Clairsville's Red Devil Stadium)

Boys
TEAM SCORES: Morgantown, 143.75; Wheeling Park, 121; Martins Ferry, 93; John Marshall, 89.25; St. Clairsville, 69.5; St. John, 66.5; River, 61; Steubenville Catholic, 53.5; Steubenville, 51.5; Edison, 43.5; Weir, 43; Cambridge, 36.5; Wellsville, 33.75; Oak Glen, 30; Meadowbrook, 28; Clay-Battelle, 25; Linsly, 24.75; Brooke, 25; Parkersburg South, 18.5; Wheeling Central, 18; Fort Frye, 16.75; Bridgeport, 16.5; Madonna, 16; Shenandoah, 16; Bellaire, 13.25; Magnolia, 13; Union Local, 12.75; Indian Creek, 12; Caldwell, 11; Barnesville, 10.75; Buckeye Trail, 10.5; East Richland Christian, 9.5; Harrison Central, 9; Buckeye Local, 8.75; Valley, 6; Shadyside, 5.5; University, 5; Toronto, 4.5; East Liverpool, 4.25; Trinity Christian, 4; Monroe Central, 2; Bishop Donahue, 1.
100M - Trott (Morg), 12.29; Taylor (Wells), 12.50; McCullough (Riv), 12.60; McGhee (WP), 12.61; Baldwin (Morg), 12.75; Jenkins (MF), 12.63; Burch (OG), 12.93; Robb (WP), 13.05.
200M - Trott (Morg), 25.89; McCullough (Riv), 26.18; Baldwin (Morg), 26.22; Jenkins (MF), 26.59; Rice (Steub), 26.74; McKirahan (Meadow), 26.82; McGhee (WP), 26.90; Avey (SJC), 26.94.
400M - A. Haught (JM), 58.02; Burch (OG), 58.78; Avey (SJC), 59.11; Grove (WP), 59.70; E. Haught (JM), 1:00.52; Wrann (MF), 1:00.98; Gotta (SCC), 1:01.41; Hart (FF), 1:01.89.
800M - Doyle (SJC), 2:21.08; Lynch (Morg), 2:23.28; Haught (JM), 2:24.58; Shaw (HC), 2:27.37; Brooks (Morg), 2:27.78; Surface (ER), 2:29.38; Wrann (MF), 2:30.55; Nolder (OG), 2:31.69.
1600M - Doyle (SJC), 5:07.66; Harshberger (Morg), 5:08.90; Castle (STC), 5:10.28; Madzia (STC), 5:10.72; Pineault (Morg), 5:29.94; Mastantoni (Weir), 5:38.89; Wills (Univ), 5:39.84; Phillips (Camb), 5:46.62.
3200M - Madzia (STC), 11:09.25; Harshberger (Morg), 11:17.00; Castle (STC), 11:25.66; Pineault (Cald), 11:41.04; Fur (Cald), 11:53.84; Currey (PS), 12:13.11; Mastrantoni (Weir), 12:18.63; Romanek (WP), 12:27.15.
100M HH - Darrow (JM), 14.62; Demus (Steub), 15.17; Bumgardner (WP), 15.43; Carreon (CB), 15.52; Watts (Steub), 15.60; Rigaud (SCC), 15.81; Allen (MF), 15.95; Borsch (Ed), 16.06.
300M LH - McCullough (Riv), 48.26; Borch (Ed), 48.78; Virtus (Weir), 49.66; Redpath (BL), 49.90; Dolan (WP), 49.93; Hall (WP), 50.18; LeMasters (SJC), 50.55; Palmer (Lins), 51.22.
4x100 - Morgantown, 49.60; Wheeling Park, 50.81; Steubenville, 50.82; Steubenville Catholic, 51.49; Clay-Battelle, 51.72; Martins Ferry, 51.72; St. Clairsville, 51.88; Brooke, 52.27.
4x200 - Wheeling Park, 1:45.56; John Marshall, 1:45.69; Morgantown, 1:46.91; Steubenville Catholic, 1:47.30; Martins Ferry, 1:48.27; Meadowbrook, 1:48.31; Clay-Battelle, 1:49.41; Edison, 1:49.64.
4x400 - Steubenville Catholic, 4:08.90; Wheeling Park, 4:08.98; John Marshall, 4:11.68; Weir, 4:16.15; St. John Central, 4:17.93; Meadowbrook, 4:21.40; Martins Ferry, 4:21.69; Morgantown, 4:21.87.
4x800 - Morgantown, 9:57.40; Oak Glen, 10:01.25; Weir, 10:03.92; Martins Ferry, 10:07.91; Steubenville Catholic, 10:29.76; Linsly, 10:31.19; Caldwell, 10:35.31; Wheeling Park, 10:45.29.
Shuttles - Wheeling Park, 1:06.35; Steubenville, 1:08.64; Wheeling Central, 1:07.11; John Marshall, 1:07.18; Martins Ferry, 1:07.41; Brooke, 1:12.18; Edison, 1:12.95; Morgantown, 1:13.49.
Long Jump - Watts (Steub), 17-1; Avey (SJC), 16-8; McCullough (Riv), 16-5 1/4; Massey (Epl), 16-3 1/4; Taylor (Wells), 16-3 1/4; Potlock (Ed), 15-7 1/4; LaFata (Morg), 15-5; Goodrich (IC), 15-4 1/2.
High Jump - Potlock (Ed), 5-2; Vosteen (SCC), 5-2; Winstan (Camb), 5-0; Darrow (JM), 5-0; Wahl (Barnes), 5-0; Durkin (WP), 5-0; Lee (MF), 4-10; Jordan (Shen), 4-10.
Pole Vault - Hamrick (PS), 10-08; Croley (MF), 10-0; LaFata (Morg), 9-6; Buchanan (FF), 9-0; Russell (UL), 9-0; Kinsmond (Shady), 8-6; Dolan (WP), 8-6; Talkman (Morg), 8-0; Cordy (Bel), 8-0.
Shot Put - Robinson (STC), 46-7 1/4; Winters (JM), 37-0 1/4; Morris (Morg), 36-0; Massey (Camb), 35-0; Anderson (Camb), 34-8 1/4; Green (Bel), 34-7 1/4; Coles (Wells), 33-7; Dickerson (WP), 32-7 1/4.
Discus - Robinson (STC), 110-1; Coles (Wells), 108-7; Pavan (Mad), 105-4; Dickerson (WP), 103-9; Anderson (Camb), 102-5; Santinoceto (SJC), 101-10; Patton (UL), 101-6; Shimko (IC), 100-7.

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100M - Brown (STC), 10.89; Hayden (Steub), 10.91; Ingram (WP), 11.27; Spoonemore (HC), 11.29; Felton (Lins), 11.40; Rohde (Mag), 11.41; Campbell (Morg), 11.41; Ebanks (Lins), 11.41.
200M - Ebanks (Lins), 22.95; Oparanozie (Lins), 23.16; Hirde (CB), 23.17; Zerke (Shen), 23.34; Bennett (Weir), 23.35; Styles (MF), 23.35; Slates (Weir), 23.48; Anderson (Morg), 23.65.
400M - Tolley (CB), 50.05; Holubeck (SJC), 50.79; Lavender (Steub), 51.09; Hammond (Lins), 51.41; Slates (Weir), 52.62; English (EL), 52.87; Stevens (Camb), 53.27; McDuff (UL), 53.80.
800M - Kilwein (Morg), 2:00.67; Janczarek (Meadow), 2:01.06; Lewis (IC), 2:01.36; Kamerac (IC), 2:04.15; Witsberger (WP), 2:05.05; Harvey (Univ), 2:05.37; Hayes (UL), 2:06.21; Paladino (Univ), 2:06.21.
1600M - Walker (STC), 4:28.33; Paladino (Univ), 4:31.05; Boyer (EL), 4:35.60; Kamerac (IC), 4:39.36; Edwards (Univ), 4:41.50; Niswonger (Cald), 4:41.52; Guy (Meadow), 4:45.99; Ebert (SJC), 4:48.34.
3200M - Anderson (FF), 9:47.66; Boyer (EL), 9:51.41; Minor (Univ), 9:57.96; Harding (Cald), 9:59.89; Leasure (SJC), 10:04.63; Schrimp (WP), 10:16.93; Laurita (Morg), 10:24.88; Guy (Meadow), 10:26.63.
110M HH - Snell (Camb), 14.29; Farley (WP), 15.49; Nodianos (Steub), 15.59; Anderson (Barnes), Jones (UL), 15.67; Steele (Beale), 15.76; Gregg (Wells), 15.85; Hart (Barnes), 16.0.
300M IH - Anderson (Barnes), 39.40; Farley (WP), 40.73; Jones (UL), 40.80; Fox (Camb), 41.54; Anyabwile (Steub), 42.08; Spoonemore (HC), 42.16; Lindsay (HC), 42.29; Carleton (BT), 42.94.
4x100 - Martins Ferry, 44.30; St. Clairsville, 44.69; Weir, 45.49; Morgantown, 45.60; Wellsville, 45.87; Clay-Battelle, 45.88; Linsly, 45.79; Meadowbrook, 46.22.
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High Jump - Schau (MF), 6-0; Howell (Ed), 5-10; Long (EL), 5-10; Broom (Meadow), 5-10; Cross (Riv), 5-8; Dombrowski (SCC), 5-8; Cox (PS), 5-8; Carleton (BT), 5-8.
Pole Vault - Fox (Camb), 14-6; Bonar (WP), 13-0; Huber (BT), 12-6; Jones (UL), 12-6; Kemp (UL), 12-6; Massey (FF), 12-0; Haws (Morg), 12-0; Novak (Meadow), 11-0.
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Discus - Rippeto (PS), 156-1; McGee (MF), 151-2; Lindsay (STC), 142-2; Staley (OG), 139-2; Blackston (WP), 135-9; Mason (Val), 135-7; Sharp (Riv), 134-0; Richmond (JM), 133-8.

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Handoff

Steubenville Catholic Central's Taylor Zapolnik prepares to take the handoff from teammate Emily Byers during the OVAC Class 2A/1A qualifying at St. Clairsville. The OVAC finals will be held today at St. Clairsville High School with the field events beginning at 10 a.m. and the running events at noon. The Crusaders' 4x100 relay team qualified fourth in the event in all classes. *See Page 4B for list of contestants.*

SPORTS

Monday,
April 29, 2013

OVAC Track begins today

By **SETH STASKEY**
Times Leader Sports Editor

If you're a fan of track and field, St. Clairsville's Red Devil Stadium is the place you want to be this week.

The annual Cal Giffin OVAC Track and Field Championship opens its week-long stay in the Belmont County Seat as eyes shift to Saturday's fourth annual championship meet.

This marks the fourth straight season the OVAC has brought its top qualifiers from each class together on Saturday for a true OVAC Championship Meet. It's the second

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straight year that Red Devil Stadium has served as the host.

The qualifying rounds will get under way each day with field events at 4 p.m. and running at 5 p.m.

The 1A and 2A classifications have been combined into class for this season. That eliminated the use of Fleming Field in

Shadyside as a venue.

The divisions competing today are 1A/2A and 4A. The 3A and 5A schools will open their meet on Tuesday and wrap up qualifying on Friday.

All of the scoring for the team titles is done on Saturday. All 16 competitors will score for their teams. However, only the top eight overall will receive an award, but the individual class champion will receive a special award.

For example, an athlete can finish 14th overall, but if he or she is the top finisher in his respective the respective class, he or she

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will receive an award as class champion.

Under the current system, the athletes will run their respective races just once and the top three times in short sprints and hurdles – regardless of heat – will advance. The top three finishers in distance races and relays will qualify to the championship run. The top three marks in the field events will also qualify.

After the automatic qualifiers are figured in, the next four fastest times, regardless of class, will advance as well to the finals.

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As a note, the marks in the qualifying rounds do not carry over to Saturday. It's an entirely new meet with four more throws and jumps. Since it's an entirely new meet, relay teams can also be changed.

The remaining running and field events will qualify on the second day of competition.

The complete schedule for the events can be found on Page B4 of today's edition.

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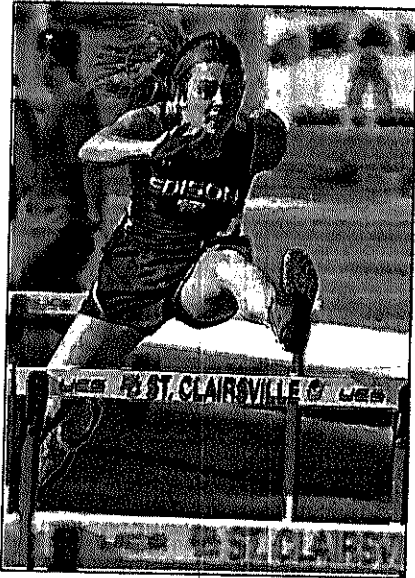


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Day 2 of OVAC Track in Books

1A/2A and 4A events commence today

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Linsly's Claudia Palmer was the top 3A entrant in the 100 high hurdles in a time of 17.89. The Cadets' 3,200 team also set the pace in its division, running eight laps in 10:42.43.

Bellaire senior Myleah Green turned in a season-best effort in the shot put, marking the gravel in 35-foot, 10 1/2-inches to lead the 3A field. Magnolia's Christa Harshberger paced the 3,200 field in a time of 13:24.27.

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McCullough still paced three events, turning in the fastest time in both classes that competed on Thursday.

In the low hurdles, McCullough blitzed the 3A field, posting a 46.74, which was more than three full seconds ahead of her nearest competitor.

In the 200 meters, McCullough turned in a blazing 25.97 and she also paced the long jump, which is still a relatively new event for her, with a mark of 16-foot-3 1/2.

Magnolia's girls led two events, including Christa Harshberger, who paced the 1,600 in 5:53.00. The Blue Eagles were also tops in the 4x400 with a time of 4:31.46.

Linsly's shuttle team ran a 1:14.98 to pace the 3A field.

The Linsly boys have positioned themselves to make a solid run at another

title.

The Cadets' speed came up big as they led the way in six events. Jamal Ebanks, who paced the 100 on Tuesday, led the 200 in 23.19.

Luke Miller led the 800 in the class with a time of 2:07.75. In the field, Chinello Oparanozie launched the shot put to a mark for 48-6 1/2.

The Cadets' 4x1 (45.83), 4x4 (3:35.42) and shuttles (1:03.78) were also the best in the field.

Barnesville senior Jacob Anderson turned in the premier time — regardless of class — in the 300 meter intermediate hurdles. He became the first this season to go under the 40-second barrier in the race. He posted a 39.85 to earn him Heat 2, Lane 4 in the finals.

Katlin Grimes led the way in the 1600 meters for the Shamrocks. He circled the track four times in 4:46.71.

Buckeye Trail's Austin Carleton was the top high jumper and needed to clear just 5-10 to earn the top seed in his class.

In Class 5A, records were falling like crazy as the division, which has been around for just two seasons, had some splendid marks.

All told, eight records fell between the boys' and girls' meets.

Wheeling Park's girls established three of those. Lauren Dickerson set the pace in the discus with a mark of 111-10.

The Patriots' 4x400 team (4:07.63) and shuttles (1:06.61) also set a Class 5A standard.

Morgantown, who figures to score points in bunches on Saturday, led the way in three events.

Edison's Ashley Borsch had a strong meet. She was the top 5A low hurdler (47.75). Katelyn Pollock, who paced the 5A high jump on Tuesday, was the top long jumper at 16-0.

John Marshall's Erica Haight blistered two laps in 2:21.03 to pace the 800 meters.

Wheeling Park's boys, who are the favorites once again in 5A, led the way in four events, including setting records in three.

Austin Farley turned in a 5A record time of 41.21 to pace the intermediate hurdles.

The Patriots also set a new standard in the 4x4 with a 3:31.16. The Park shuttle team (60.04) and 4x1 team (45.24) were also the premier squad in the big-school classification.

Indian Creek's Max Lewis turned in a solid 2:01.92 to set the new mark in the 5A 800 meters.

John Marshall's Craig Vega was the top 200 meter sprinter in the 5A field, running half a lap in 23.29.

Edison senior J.D. Howell cleared 6 feet to lead the high jump qualifying.

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• Finals established in half the field

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Times Leader Sports Editor

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The 3A boys' field was fairly well balanced as five different schools grabbed one of the top qualifying spots.

Reigning 2A champion Linsly was led by a pair of talented sprinters. Jamal Ebanks paced the 100 meter field in a time of 11.75. Senior Mike Hammond paced the 400 meter dash in 52.53.

The Cadets' crack 4x200 team turned in a 1:32.69 to lead the way.

Barnesville's Jacob Anderson turned in the top time in the highs with a 16.26.

River's Thomas Tharp was the top discus thrower in 3A with a twirl of 130-feet.

In Class 5A, a tight battle appears to be developing between Wheeling Park, Morgantown and even John Marshall on the girls' side. The Cambridge and Wheeling Park boys appear to be setting up for quite a battle on Saturday.

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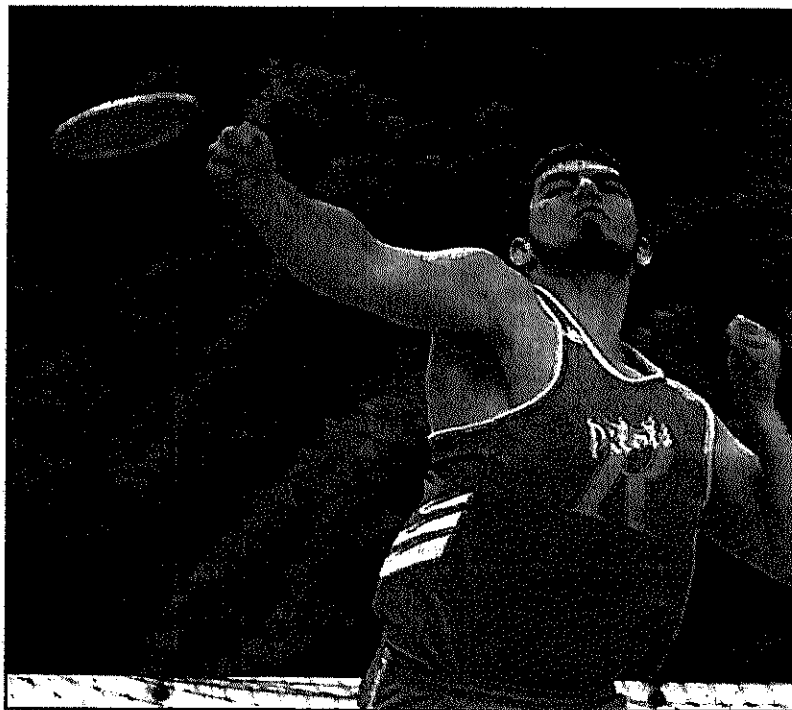


TOP: Barnesville's Jacob Anderson clears a hurdle during Tuesday's qualifying for the OVAC Championships at Red Devil Stadium in St. Clairsville.

RIGHT: River's Thomas Tharp had the longest throw during the 3A competition Tuesday.

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John Marshall's girls had an impressive first day. The Lady Monarchs led two events, including Emilee Winters in the shot put at 36-ft-7.

Senior Ashley Haught turned in the best time of any class in the 400 meter dash, setting a 5A record in the process. She circled the oval in a blazing 57.97.

Wheeling Park frosh Tamara Bungardner ran a 15.76 to edge John Marshall frosh Tori Derrow

by three hundredths of a second in the high hurdles.

The Lady Patriots also paced a deep and highly competitive 4x2 field, posting a 1:46.24.

Edison's Katelyn Pollock paced a highly competitive 5A high jump with a 5-2 clearance.

In the boys' meet, Wheeling Park's Bryce Ingram and Albert Schrimp led the way in the 100 and 3200 meters, respectively. Ingram ran a 11.27 and

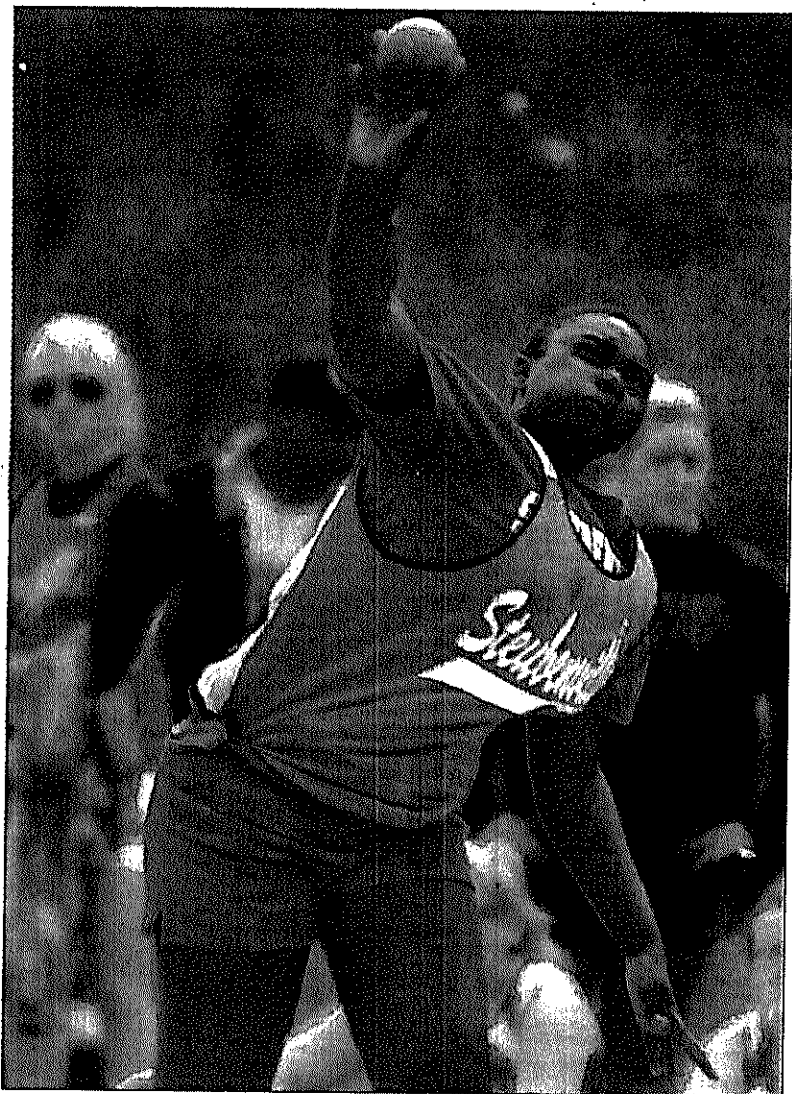
Schrimp posted a 10:14.54.

The Patriots also led the 800 relay qualifying with a 1:33.54.

The Bobcats also led three events, including a 5A and stadium-record performance by Eric Fox in the pole vault.

He soared over a personal-best 15-ft-3 to lead the way.

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Steubenville's Zy Yetts competes in the shot put during Monday's OVAC qualifying track meet in St. Clairsville.

Photo by Mike Palmer

Golden Bears Start Well At OVAC Meet

Class 5A and 3A start today

By SETH STASKEY
For The Intelligencer

ST. CLAIRSVILLE — The five-day event known as the OVAC Track and Field Championship got under way Monday evening at Red Devil Stadium.

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Steubenville's speed troops were led by Jaquan Lavender in the 400 meters. He circled the oval in a solid 51.10. Joey Nodianos led the way in the 110-meter high hurdles in a time of 16.00.

East Liverpool paced the long jump and 3200 meter run, while Meadowbrook led the way in the 3200 relay.

The 4A girls' race appears to be a two-team battle developing between Martins Ferry, which is the defending class and overall champion, along with Oak Glen.

Both the Riders and Golden Bears enjoyed solid afternoons of qualifying.

Martins Ferry turned in three top-qualifying performances. Courtney Crolley set the standard in the pole vault at 9-6. Junior speedster Taylr Jenkins posted a 13.25 to lead the 100 and junior Dionna Lee led the high jump at 5 feet.

Oak Glen senior leader Alexis Burch set the pace for the evening in the 400 meter dash, turning in a solid 59.66.

St. Clairsville, which figures to score well on Saturday, paced two events. Senior Alyssa Robinson remained unblemished and re-wrote the 4A recordbook in the shot put. The Penn State signee, who is the defending OVAC and state champion, launched the iron ball to a mark of 42-1.

Senior Julianna Madzia led the 3200 meter qualifying in 11:40.83.

Steubenville led the way in the 800 relay with a time of 1:49.20 and Tochelle Demus ran a 16.10 to lead the high hurdle qualifying.

Weir paced the 3200

relay, which was one of the most competitive races of the evening, with a time of 10:14.32.

■ In Class 1A/2A, Steubenville Catholic is aiming to keep its streak of titles alive. Both the Crusaders boys and girls got off to strong starts.

The Lady Crusaders set the pace in four events, including Moriah Vosteen's 5-foot high jump led the way.

Monica Rigaud turned in a 16.20 to lead the way in the high hurdles and the Crusaders' 800 relay team posted a 1:50.19. The Crusaders' 3200 team ran a 10:32.00 to lead the way in the distance relay.

Shadyside senior Tara Tollett coasted eight laps to a time of 11:42.35 to lead the way in the 3200 meter run. Frosh McKayla Kinemond was the top qualifier in the small-school pole vault, clearing 8 feet.

St. John freshman Jessica Alvey ran a 59.88 to lead the small-school 400-meter dash qualifying by nearly three seconds.

The Steubenville Catholic boys were led by Doug Maslowski. He paced the high hurdles in 14.87 and then led the 100 in 11.47.

The Crusaders also led the distance relay when their 3200 team ran a 8:46.31.

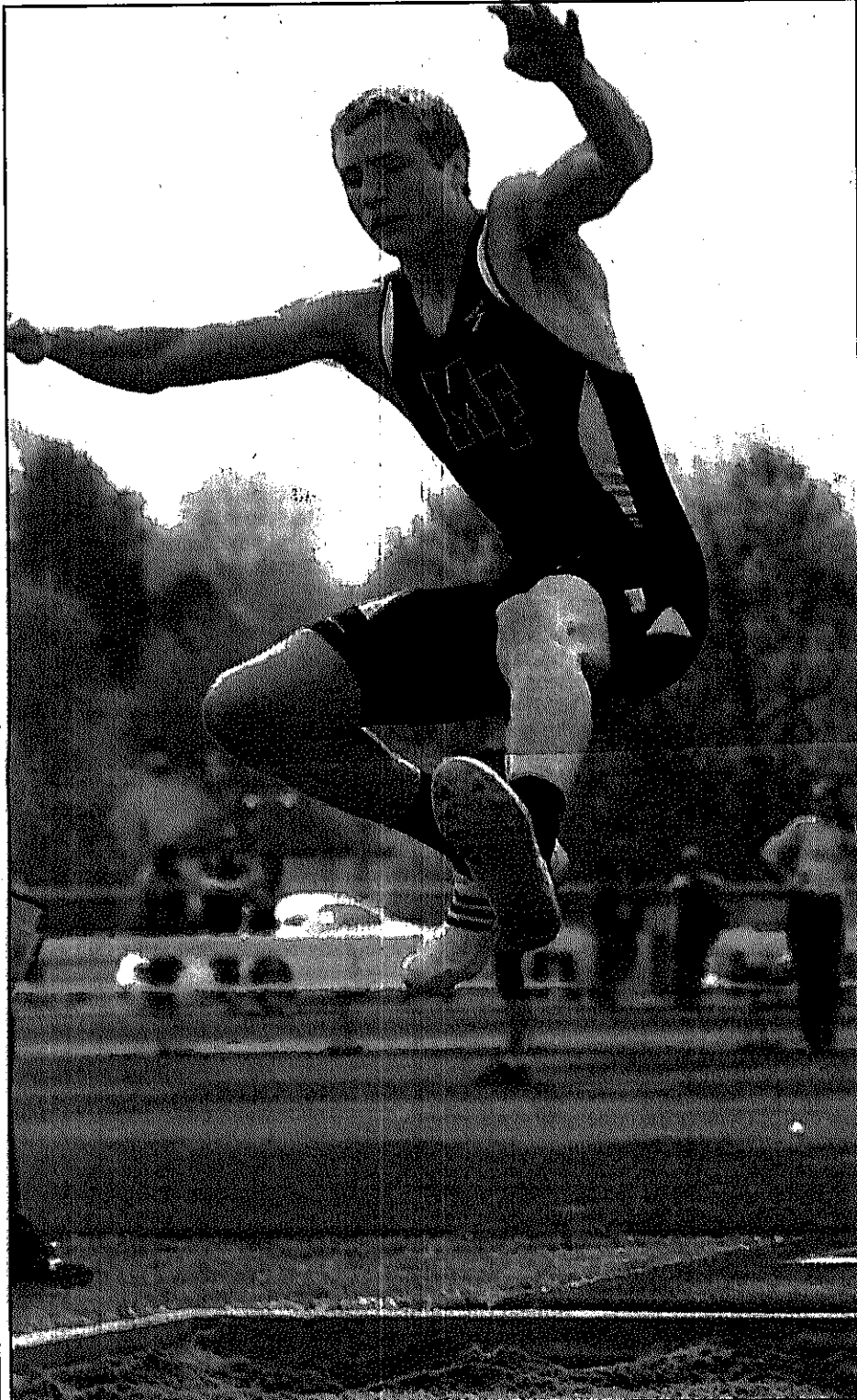
Valley, which won the Class 1A title last season, paced qualifying in two events. Tucker Cain was tops in the pole vault (10-0) and senior thrower Spencer Mason twirled the discus to a mark of 146-10 to lead the way.

Shadyside's Eric Howell was the top long jump qualifier with a mark of 19-4.

St. John Central's Corey Leasure turned in a 10:08.44 to pace the 3200 meter run.

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AT LEFT: Martins Ferry's Cody Schau takes part in the long jump during Monday's OVAC Class 4A qualifying meet at St. Clairsville's Red Devil Stadium. Schau finished third and earned the right to compete on Saturday.

ABOVE: St. Clairsville's Alyssa Robinson throws the shot put during Monday's OVAC Class 4A qualifying round. She led all Class 4A qualifiers with a throw of 42-ft-1, which established a new Class 4A record. Additional images may be found at cu.timesleaderonline.com

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OVAC qualifying under way

• Classes 4A and 1A/2A begin their quests for Saturday; Classes 3A and 5A open today

By **SETH STASKEY**
Times Leader Sports Editor

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OVAC Qualifying Continues

Final day of qualifying begins today at 4 p.m.

By **SETH STASKEY**
For The Intelligencer

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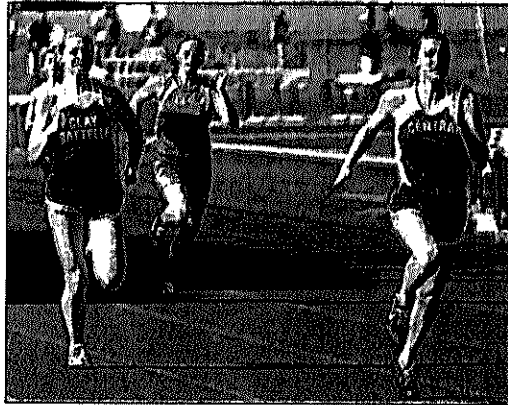


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Wheeling Central's Lindsey Baker pulls ahead of the pack in the 200-meter dash.

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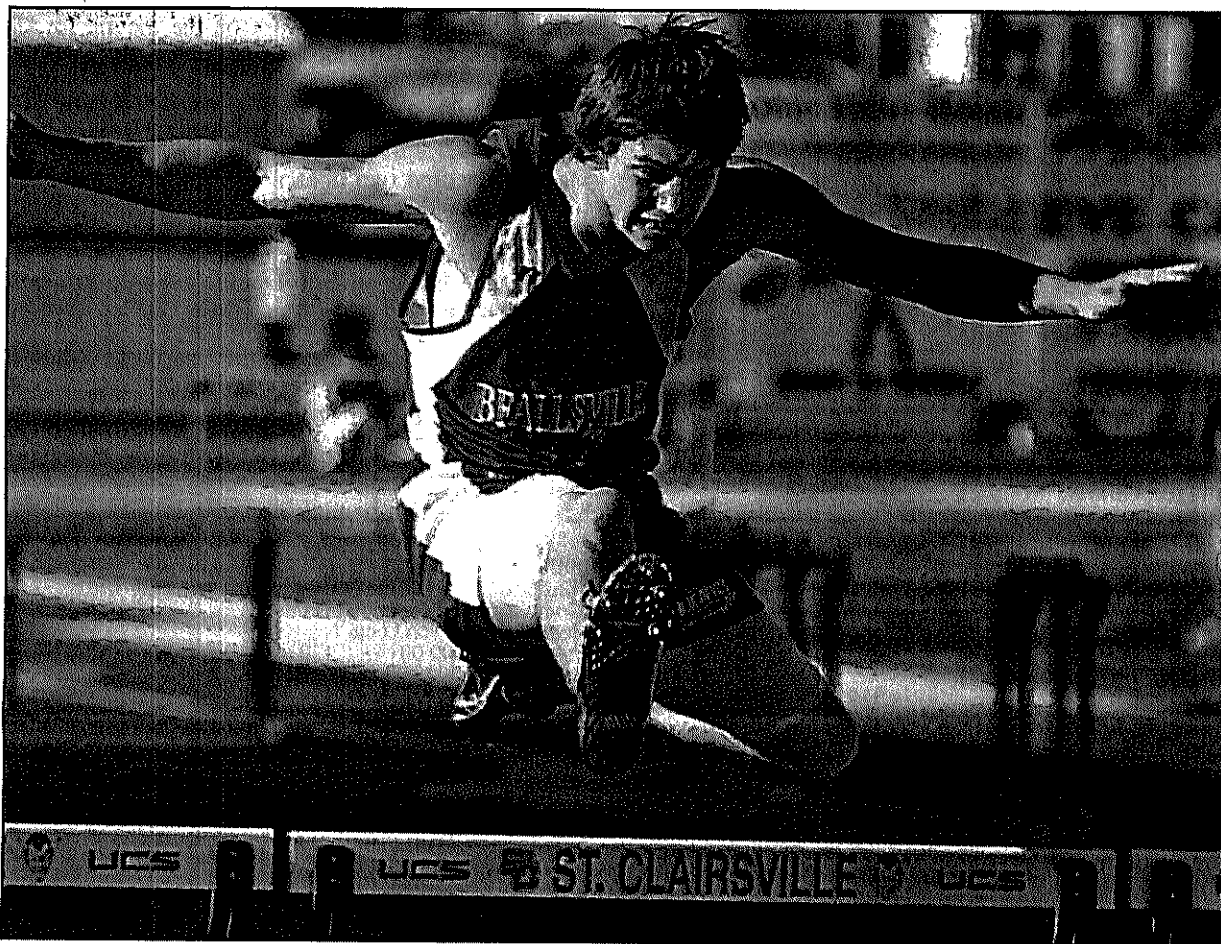
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Bridgeport had a pair of top qualifiers. Sophomore standout Bri Massey has developed into one of the top long jumpers. She set the pace with a mark of 16-ft-6. Junior Cheyenne Flowers turned in a 49.82 to lead the low hurdles.

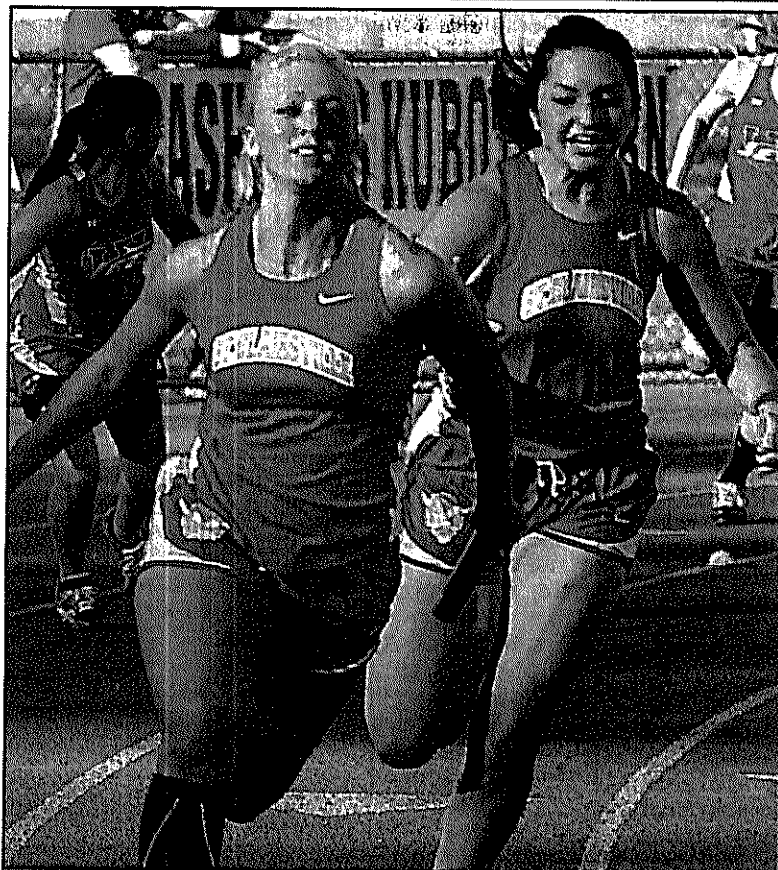
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BEALLSVILLE'S Gage Steele clears the final hurdle in the Class 1A/2A 300 meter intermediate hurdles at Thursday's OVAC Cal Giffin Track and Field Championship at St. Clairsville.

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ST. CLAIRSVILLE'S Claire Slavik passes the baton to Audra Vrotsos during the Class 4A 4x100 relay Thursday evening at the Cal Giffin OVAC Track and Field Championships held at Red Devil Stadium. The Lady Devils earned an automatic qualifying spot to Saturday's final as one of the top-three finishing teams. Additional images may be found at cu.timesleaderonline.com

Qualifying wraps up for classes 1A/2A and 4A at OVAC Track Meet

By **SETH STASKEY**
Times Leader Sports Editor

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Weir High's Alexis Virtue posted a 49.23 to lead the low hurdlers in 4A, while Oak Glen, which also figures to score well on Saturday, clocked a 4:12.91 to pace the 4x4.

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John-Paul Dombrowski set the standard in the high jump for the Crusaders at 5-10. Anthony Lee paced the 800 meters in the small-school battle in 2:08.37.

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Track Results

OVAC Track and Field Championship
Day 1 Qualifying
(at St. Clairsville)
Class 1A/2A

Boys

Pole Vault - Cain (Val), 10-0; Krupa (Shady), 10-0; Smith (Val), 9-0; Duvall (Shady), 9-0.
110M HH - Maslowski (SCC), 14.87; Gregg (Wells), 16.08; Steele (Bealls), 16.90.
Discus - Mason (Val), 146-10; Schockling (Cald), 113-10; Duisney (Val), 109-1.
100M - Maslowski (SCC), 11.47; Moxley (Wells), 11.72; Hinkle (CB), 11.80.
4x800 - Steubenville Central, 8:46.31; Caldwell, 8:51.03; Shadyside, 9:32.57.
Long Jump - Howell (Shady), 19-4; Biondillo (Mad), 19-0; Maslowski (SCC), 18-7 1/2.
4x200 - Wellsville, 1:34.71; Clay-Battelle, 1:38.64; Madonna, 1:38.36.
400M - Tolley (CB), 51.71; Holubeck (SJC), 51.86; Beazel (BD), 55.09.
3200M - Leasure (SJC), 10:08.44; Harding (Cald), 10:11.95; Hunt (SCC), 11:05.93.

Girls

High Jump - Vosteen (SCC), 5-0; Price (Tor), 4-8; Wiley (Val), 4-4.
4x800 - Steubenville Central, 10:32.00; Caldwell, 10:39.84; Clay-Battelle, 11:11.71.
100M HH - Rigaud (SCC), 16.20; Carreon (CB), 18.75; Clark (WCC), 17.17.
100M - Taylor (Wells), 13.05; Hill (BD), 13.27; Massey (Bpt), 13.30.
Shot Put - Coles (Wells), 34-10; Beller (BD), 31-9; Pahl (Tor), 31-7.
4x200 - Steubenville Central, 1:50.18; Clay-Battelle, 1:51.14; Wellsville, 1:52.80.
3200M - Tolley (Shady), 11:42.35; Furr (Cald), 11:53.05; Surface (ERC), 12:20.18.
400M - Avey (SJC), 59.88; Hall (CB), 62.64; Goffa (SCC), 62.81.
Pole Vault - Kinemond (Shady), 8-0; Mason (Val), 7-0.

Class 4A

Boys

Long Jump - English (EL), 21-11; McCaughan (Meadow), 21-2 1/2; Schau (MF), 20-1.
Pole Vault - Eaton (SIC), 14-0; Jones (UL), 12-8; Kemp (UL), 12-6.
110M HH - Nodianos (Staub), 16.00; Jones (UL), 16.10; Thompson (HC), 16.90.
100M - Brown (SIC), 11.51; Rice (Weir), 11.75; Hayden (Staub), 11.86.
4x800 - Meadowbrook, 8:38.48; Harrison Central, 8:45.15; Oak Glen, 8:45.80.
Discus - McGee (MF), 149-6; Lindsay (SIC), 146-9; Sedosky (MF), 139-10.
4x200 - Martins Ferry, 1:32.35; Harrison Central, 1:34.71; Meadowbrook, 1:35.39.
400M - Lavender (Staub), 51.10; Slates (Weir), 52.24; Moore (HC), 52.75.
3200M - Boyer (EL), 10:14.78; Guy (Meadow), 10:20.60; Bell (Meadow), 10:35.89.

Girls

4x800 - Weir, 10:14.32; Martins Ferry, 10:14.55; St. Clairsville, 10:19.81.
100M HH - Demus (Staub), 16.10; Watts (Staub), 16.49; N. Allen (MF), 16.58.
High Jump - Lee (MF), 5-0; Frantz (EL), 5-0; Click (EL), 4-6; Rector (BL), 4-6.
100M - Jenkins (MF), 13.25; Burch (OG), 13.26; Smith (Meadow), 13.47.
Shot Put - Robinson (SIC), 42-1; Webb (MF), 31-6 1/2; Patton (UL), 30-5 1/2.
4x200 - Steubenville, 1:49.20; Martins Ferry, 1:49.40; Meadowbrook, 1:49.60.
Pole Vault - Croley (MF), 9-6; Russett (UL), 8-0; Woodford (SIC), 8-0; Bennett (MF), 8-0.
3200M - Madzia (SIC), 11:40.83; Castle (SIC), 11:41.18; Chambers (OG), 11:46.41.
400M - Burch (OG), 59.86; Wrann (MF), 60.51; Applegarth (MF), 62.53.

OVAC Track Results

Day 3 OVAC Track and Field Qualifying
(at Red Devil Stadium in St. Clairsville)
Class 1A/2A

Boys

200M - Maslowski (SCC), 23.16; Hinkle (CB), 23.50; Hall (Cam), 23.78.
High Jump - Dombrowski (SCC), 5-10; McGee (Val), 5-10; Martin (Wells), 5-8; Wells (Val), 5-8.
1600M - Niswonger (Cald), 4:47.50; Ebbert (SJC), 4:52.21; Sandford (SCC), 4:55.47.
300M IH - Steele (Bealls), 42.71; Hubbard (Val), 44.17; Krupa (Shady), 45.63.
4x100 - Clay-Battelle, 45.57; Wellsville, 45.92; Shadyside, 46.95.
Shot Put - Mason (Val), 51-1; Patterson (CB), 42-3; Lloyd (Val), 41-10.
800M - Lee (SCC), 2:08.37; Ebbert (SJC), 2:08.97; Dombrowski (SCC), 2:09.42.
Shuttles - Shadyside, 1:07.12; Paden City, 1:07.18; Valley, 1:07.19.
4x400 - Steubenville Central, 3:44.95; Madonna, 3:45.64; Clay-Battelle, 3:48.64.

Girls

1600M - Doyle (SJC), 5:17.71; Tolkott (Shady), 5:29.50; Santinoceto (SJC), 5:44.20.
200M - Baker (WCC), 26.58; Avey (SJC), 26.83; Massey (Bpt), 28.92.
300M LH - Flowers (Bpt), 49.82; Fultz (Wells), 50.86; LeMasters (SJC), 51.48.
Long Jump - Massey (Bpt), 16-6; Taylor (Wells), 16-5 1/2; Avey (SJC), 16-0.
4x100 - Steubenville Central, 51.37; Wellsville, 52.36; Clay-Battelle, 52.45.
800M - Doyle (SJC), 2:23.70; Surface (ERC), 2:28.42; Marrow (SCC), 2:33.75.
Shuttles - Wheeling Central, 1:08.40; Madonna, 1:13.94; Valley, 1:15.05.
4x400 - Steubenville Central, 4:07.49; St. John, 4:15.10; Clay-Battelle, 4:21.65.
Discus - Coles (Wells), 116-1; Pavan (Mad), 104-0; Santinoceto (SJC), 101-3.

Class 4A

Boys

Long Jump - Lee (MF), 18-7; Watts (Staub), 15-10; Leathers (Weir), 15-4.
1600M - Castle (SIC), 5:19.03; Madzia (SIC), 5:19.41; Chambers (OG), 5:20.09.
200M - Jenkins (MF), 26.71; McKirahan (Meadow), 27.09; Rice (Staub), 27.22.
300M LH - Virtue (Weir), 49.23; Allen (MF), 49.40; Redpath (BL), 50.81.
4x100 - Steubenville, 51.24; Meadowbrook, 51.54; St. Clairsville, 51.82.
800M - Wrann (MF), 2:24.95; Shaw (HC), 2:29.53; Mangano (OG), 2:32.60.
Shuttles - Steubenville, 1:08.18; Martins Ferry, 1:08.37; Oak Glen, 1:10.10.
Discus - Robinson (SIC), 111-8; Patton (UL), 101-8; Yetts (Staub), 101-8.
4x400 - Oak Glen, 4:12.91; Weir, 4:19.00; Martins Ferry, 4:23.18.

Girls

Shot Put - McGee (MF), 53-11 3/4; Redman (Staub), 49-6 1/2; Staley (OG), 43-5.
200M - Brown (SIC), 22.69; Lavender (Staub), 22.88; Slates (Weir), 23.14.
1600M - Walker (SIC), 4:40.20; Boyer (EL), 4:40.70; Guy (Meadow), 4:46.02.
High Jump - Schau (MF), 6-2; Broom (Meadow), 6-0; Long (EL), 5-10.
300M IH - Jones (UL), 40.79; Spoonemore (HC), 41.68; Lindsey (HC), 42.64.
4x100 - Martins Ferry, 44.56; St. Clairsville, 44.93; Oak Glen, 45.08.
800M - Janczarek (Meadow), 2:02.77; Walker (SIC), 2:06.12; Hayes (UL), 2:06.78.
Shuttles - Steubenville, 1:01.35; Harrison Central, 1:02.29; Oak Glen, 1:02.38.
4x400 - Harrison Central, 3:33.57; Martins Ferry, 3:35.72; East Liverpool, 3:35.75.

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OVAC Qualifying Concludes

Championship resumes Saturday

By SETH STASKEY
For The Intelligencer

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Once again, senior standout Cassidy McCullough led the way. After pacing the 100 meters on Tuesday, she returned with a much heavier workload.

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Photo by Mike Palmer

Edison's J.D. Howell competes in the high jump during Thursday's OVAC events.

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The 3A boys' field was fairly well balanced as five different schools grabbed one of the top qualifying spots. Reigning 2A champion Linsly was led by a pair of talented sprinters as Jamal Ebanks paced the 100 field in a time of 11.75 and senior Mike Hammond paced the 400 in 52.53.

The Cadets' 800 team turned in a 1:32.69 to lead the way.

Barnesville's Jacob Anderson turned in the top time in the highs with a 16.26, while River's Thomas Tharp was the top discus thrower in 3A with a twirl of 130-0.

In Class 5A, a tight battle appears to be developing

between Wheeling Park, Morgantown and even John Marshall on the girls' side. The Cambridge and Wheeling Park boys appear to be setting up for quite a battle performance.

John Marshall's girls had an impressive first day as it led two events, including Emily Winters in the shot put at 36-7.

Senior Ashley Haught turned in the best time of any class in the 400, setting a 5A record in the process. She circled the oval in a blazing 57.97.

Wheeling Park freshman Tamara Bumgardner ran a 15.76 to edge John Marshall freshman Tori Derrow by three hundredths of a second.

The Patriots also paced a deep and highly competitive 800 relay field, posting a 1:46.24.

Edison's Katelyn Pollock paced a highly competitive 5A high jump with a 5-2 clearance.

In the boys' meet, Wheeling Park's Bryce Ingram and Albert Schrimp led the way in the 100 and 3,200 meters, respectively. Ingram ran a 11.27 and Schrimp posted a 10:14.54.

The Patriots also led the 800 relay qualifying with a 1:33.54.

The Bobcats also led three events, including a 5A and stadium-record performance by Eric Fox in the pole vault. He soared personal-best 15-3 to lead the way.

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Photo Courtesy/BRIGGS PHOTOGRAPHY PICTURED ARE the members of the St. John Central girls' track team that claimed the OVAC 1A/2A championship. Front row, from left, are Jessica Alvey, Marissa Rose, Fallon Doyle and Emily LeMasters. Back row, from left, are Brooke Moore, Kaitlyn Santinoceto, Rachel Porter, Gabrielle Santinoceto, Jenna Bugaj.



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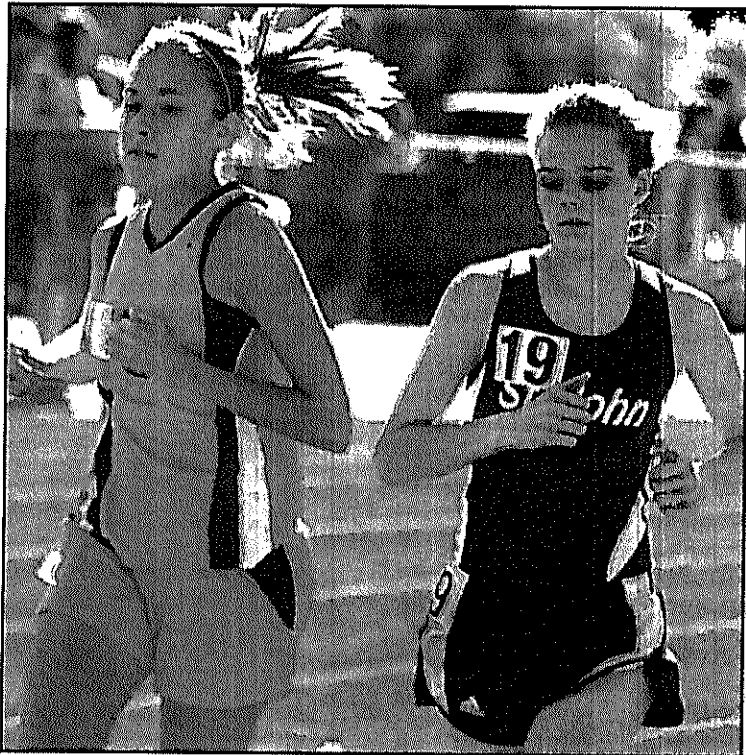
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TWO OF the runners to watch in today's distance races at the Cal Giffin OVAC Track and Field Championship are Shadyside's Tara Tollett and St. John's Fallon Doyle. Tollett is the defending champion in the 3200 meter run.

OVAC Track and Field titles on the line today

By **SETH STASKEY**
Times Leader Sports Editor

After four days of qualifying, it's finally time for championships to be passed out at the annual Cal Giffin OVAC Track and Field Championship.

The meet, which began on Monday, resumes this morning at Red Devil Stadium in St. Clairsville at 10 with field events and then two hours later the first running action of the meet begins with the 4x800 relay.

The field has been pared to 16 in all of the events with everyone scoring for his or her respective team. However, only the top eight overall will receive a medal. The top finisher in each class —

regardless of overall place — will receive a medal as well.

In the Class 1A/2A combined class, the battle on the boys' side appears to be between Steubenville Catholic Central and Valley, which is the defending Class 1A champion.

Want More?

The complete list of OVAC Track and Field Finals qualifiers can be found on Page C5.

The girls' battle in the small-school division could be Steubenville Catholic, which has won five straight conference titles, and St. John Central, which has won 12 straight conference titles in Class A.

The Lady Irish boast a top seed today as sophomore ace Fallon Doyle led the qualifying in the 1600 meters.

The Irish boys also feature the number one ranked 3200 meter

runner in senior Corey Leasure.

In Class 3A, Linsly's boys, who won the 2A title last season, and the River girls, who finished behind Steubenville Central in Class 2A, are the heavy favorites after strong rounds of qualifying.

The Lady Pilots are led by senior standout Cassidy McCullough. She posted the top qualifying mark overall in the 100 meter dash (12.62), the 200 meter dash (25.97) and the 300 low hurdles (46.74). She also led 3A qualifying in the long jump.

She's the defending OVAC champion in the lows.

The Martins Ferry girls are the defending Class 3A and overall champions, but have bumped up to 4A.

However, the Lady Purple Riders enjoyed strong qualifying rounds in a bevy of areas, which

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has made Rich Materkoski's team the favorite in its class as well as in the hunt for another overall banner.

The Lady Riders boast the top entrant in the long jump in junior Dionna Lee at 16-ft-7.

St. Clairsville's girls should score well today with their strength in the field and distance.

Senior dandy Alyssa Robinson leads the field in the shot put with a Class 4A record toss of 42-ft-1. The Penn State signee, who is the defending Division II state champion in the iron-ball event, is the two-time defending champion in the OVAC.

The 4A boys' battle could be a joust between as many as four schools, but based on qualifying it could be the tightest between defending champion St. Clairsville and the Purple Riders, who finished sec-

ond to Magnolia in Class 3A in 2012.

The Red Devils feature the top seed in the 200 meter dash in junior blazer Jaylon Brown. He posted a 22.69 to lead the way. He also qualified in the 100 and 200 meter dashes.

Along with Brown, the Red Devils feature defending 800 meter champion Drake Walker, who qualified in the two-lap race as well as the 1600.

Martins Ferry will try to counter the Red Devils' open track events with strength in the field as well as impressive relays.

Senior Sean McGee is the defending champion in the shot put and he's also the top seed in today's event.

Senior Cody Schau is the top high jumper entered after soaring over 6-ft-2.

The Purple Riders' 4x1 (44.56) and 4x2 (1:32.35) are the top seeds as well.

Those foursomes have been amongst the area's best all spring.

Other area top seeds in today's meet include Barnesville's Jacob Anderson, who ran a season-best time of 39.85, in the 300 intermediate hurdles.

All told, there are five returning champions back in the field today on the girls' side and four on the boys.

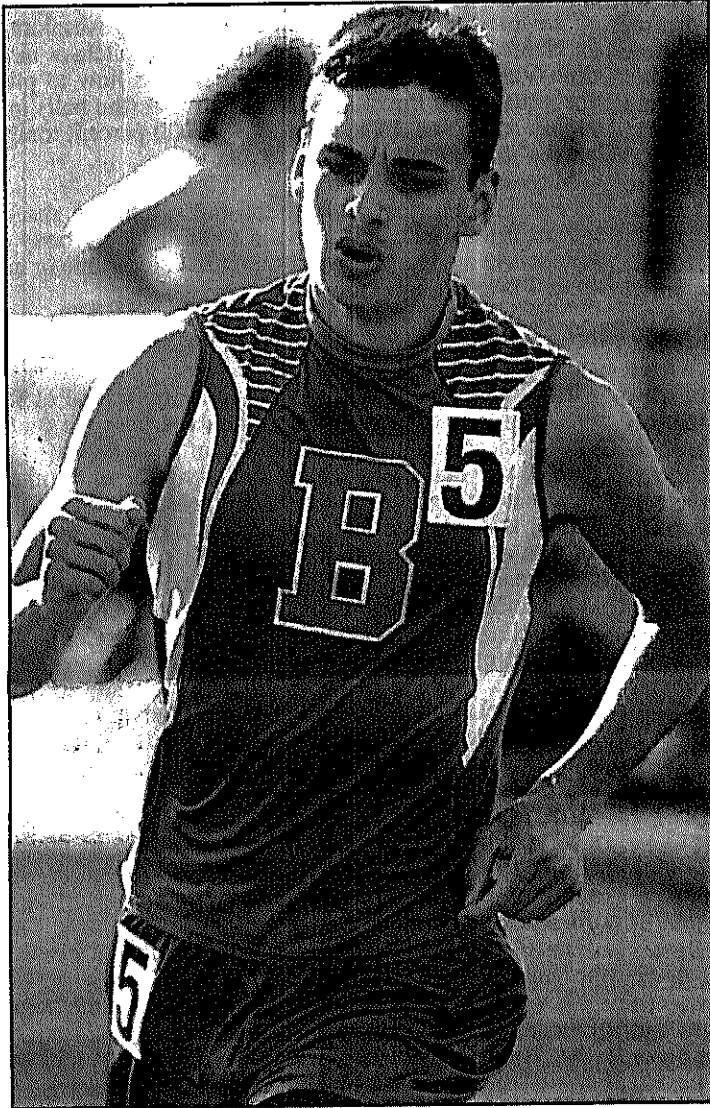
On top of the aforementioned winners, Buckeye Trail's Austin Carleton (long jump), Cambridge's Eric Fox (pole vault), Shadyside's Tara Tollett (3200M), Wheeling Park's Ashley Grove (400M), Morgantown's Natasha Trott (100M and 200M).

All of the qualifiers can be found on Page C5 of today's edition.

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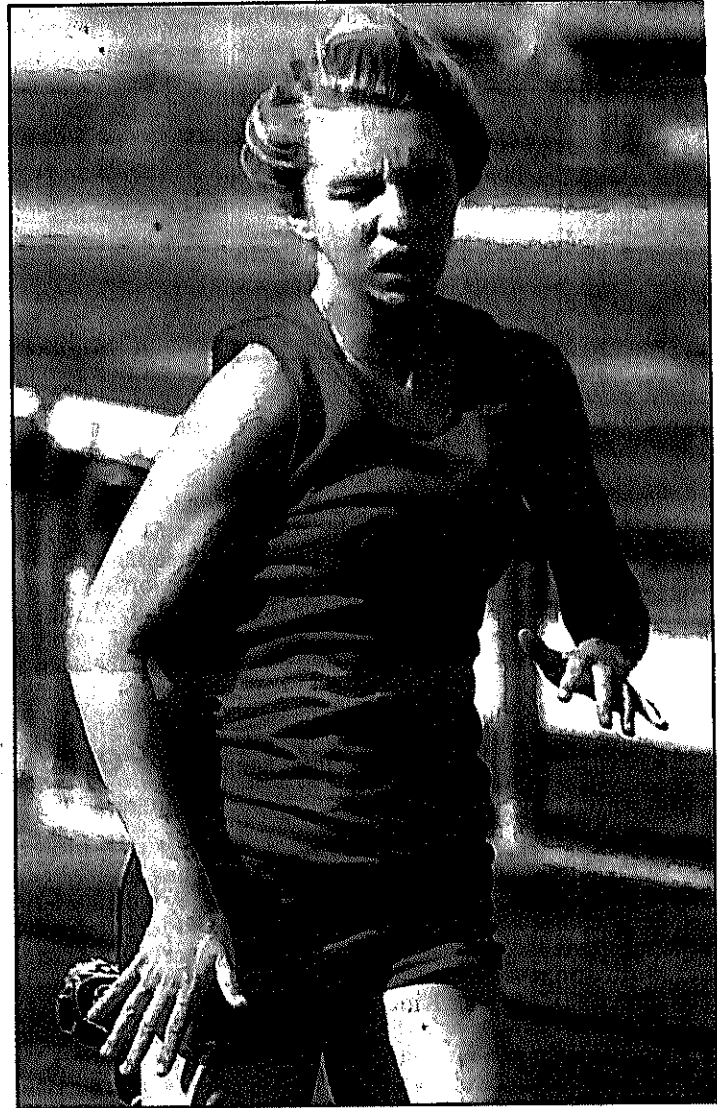
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OVAC Track and Field Championships



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BARNESVILLE'S Katlin Grimes runs in the 1600 meters during Thursday's OVAC Class 3A qualifying round at St. Clairsville's Red Devil Stadium. Grimes was the top 3A qualifier for Saturday's final. Additional images may be found at cu.timesleaderonline.com.



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RIVER'S Abby Caldwell runs in the 200 meter dash qualifying round during Thursday's OVAC Class 3A meet at St. Clairsville's Red Devil Stadium. Caldwell was one of the three automatic qualifiers in the sprint for Saturday's championship meet.

OVAC finalists are set

• Class 3A and 5A wrap up the qualifying; Championship set for Saturday

By **SETH STASKEY**
Times Leader Sports Editor

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Qualifying for Saturday's OVAC Cal Giffin Track and Field Championship wrapped up Thursday evening at sun-splashed Red Devil Stadium as Classes 3A and 5A resumed their meet that began on Tuesday.

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it up a notch as team points and individual medals are on the line, starting at 10 a.m. with field events. The first running action of the meet begins at high noon.

IN CLASS 3A, the River girls have firmly planted themselves as the favorite after two strong qualifying rounds.

Once again, senior standout Cassidy McCullough led the way. After pacing the 100 meters on Tuesday, she returned with a much heavier workload. She still paced three events, turning in the fastest time in both classes that competed on Thursday.

In her specialty, the low hurdles,

McCullough blitzed the 3A field, posting a sizzling 46.74, which was more than three full seconds ahead of her nearest competitor.

In the 200 meters, McCullough turned in a blazing 25.97 and she also paced the long jump, which is still a relatively new event for her, with a mark of 16-3 1/2.

Magnolia's girls led two events, including Christa Harshberger, who paced the 1600 in 5:53.00. The Lady Blue Eagles were also tops in the 4x400 with a time of 4:31.46.

Linsly's shuttle team ran a 1:14.98 to pace the 3A field.

OVAC TRACK
When: Saturday, 10 a.m. (Field), Noon (Running).
Where: Red Devil Stadium

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The Linsly boys have positioned themselves to make a solid run at another OVAC track title.

The Cadets' speed came up big as they led the way in six events. Jamal Ebanks, who paced the 100 on Tuesday, led the 200 in 23.19.

Luke Miller led the 800 in the class with a time of 2:07.75. In the field, Chinello Oparanozie launched the shot put to a mark fo 48-ft-6 1/2.

The Cadets' 4x1 (45.83), 4x4 (3:35.42) and shuttles (1:03.78) were also the best in the field.

Barnesville senior Jacob Anderson turned in the premier time — regardless of class — in the 300 meter intermediate hurdles. He became the first this season to go under the 40-second barrier in the race. He posted a 39.85 to earn him Heat 2, Lane 4 in Saturday's final.

Katlin Grimes led the way in the 1600 meters for the Shamrocks. He circled the track four times in 4:46.71.

Buckeye Trail's Austin Carleton was the top high jumper in the field and needed to clear just 5-10 to earn the top seed in his

class.

IN CLASS 5A, records were falling like crazy as the division, which has been around for just two seasons, had some splendid marks.

All told, eight records fell between the boys and girls' meets.

Wheeling Park's girls established three of those. Lauren Dickerson set the pace in the discus with a mark of 111-ft-10.

The Lady Patriots' 4x400 team (4:07.63) and shuttles (1:06.61) also set a new Class 5A standard.

Morgantown, who figures to score points in bunches on Saturday, led the way in three events.

Edison's Ashley Borsch had a strong meet. She was the top 5A low hurdler (47.75). Katelyn Pollock, who paced the 5A high jump on Tuesday, was the top long jumper at 16-0.

John Marshall's Erica Haught blistered two laps in 2:21.03 to pace the 800 meters.

Wheeling Park's boys, who are the favorites once again in 5A, led the way in four events, including setting records in three.

Austin Farley turned in a 5A record time of 41.21 to pace the intermediate hurdles.

The Patriots also set a new standard in the 4x4 with a 3:31.16. The Park shuttle team (60.04) and 4x1 team (45.24) were also the premier squad in the big-school classification.

Indian Creek's Max Lewis — who is just a sophomore, turned in a solid 2:01.92 to set the new mark in the 5A 800 meters.

John Marshall's Craig Vega was the top 200 meter sprinter in the 5A field, running half a lap in 23.29.

Edison senior J.D. Howell cleared 6-0 to lead the high jump qualifying.

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Meadowbrook boys win OVAC 3A crown Fox, Snell, McCaughan, Anderson among individual event winners

ST. CLAIRSVILLE — The Meadowbrook High boys took top honors in Class 3A and four athletes claimed individual event titles to highlight local action in the annual Cal Giffin OVAC Track Championships which wrapped up Saturday afternoon at St. Clairsville's Red Devil Stadium.

The Wheeling Park boys and Morgantown girls claimed the overall team champions to cap a week of track action which started with four days of preliminary qualifying and culminated in the best of the best competing head-to-head.

The Park boys amassed 104.5 points for

the overall and Class 5A crowns, with Linsly (79.5) second overall and the Class 3A winners. Meadowbrook tallied 78 points for third overall and the Class 4A title, just ahead of Martins Ferry's 75.5 points. Clay-Battelle won the Class 1A/2A title with 38.5 points.

The Morgantown girls tallied 143.75 points to win the overall and Class 5A titles, with Wheeling Park (121) as the overall runner-up.

Martins Ferry finished with 93 points for third overall and first among the Class 4A schools. St. John Central took the Class 1A/2A crown with 66.5 points (sixth overall)

while River (seventh overall) was the top Class 3A finisher with 61 points.

Cambridge placed fifth overall and second among Class 5A schools.

Not surprisingly, veteran Meadowbrook head coach John Epperson returned home with a big smile on his face.

"They're all pretty excited and we're very proud of them," the Colts' coach beamed. "This format allows every kid to share in the ownership of the championship and almost every one of our kids in relays improved their position compared to where they were seeded after the preliminaries.

"We had a shot at second (overall), but came up just a point and a half short of Linsly," continued Epperson, who guided MHS to its third OVAC boys' title in his 22 years at the helm.

"This gives us a nice boost for the upcoming ECOL and district meets...it's definitely a confidence boost."

The four local individual champions were Eric Fox of Cambridge in the pole vault; Errik Snell of Cambridge in the 110-meter hurdles; Darren McCaughan of Meadowbrook in the long jump; and Jacob Anderson of Barnesville in the 300-meter hurdles.

Fox turned in a winning vault of 14-6, breaking his own OVAC championship record. He also set a new CHS and OVAC Class 5A mark in Tuesday's preliminaries with a 15-3 effort.

Snell's winning time of 14.29 in the 110-meter hurdles also set a new OVAC meet and school standard, breaking the old Cambridge mark set by Jerry Betts in 1963.

McCaughan's winning effort in the long jump was 20-9, three inches better than his closest competitor; and Anderson continued to sizzle in the 300-meter hurdles with a 39.4 clocking, more than a second ahead of the runner-up.

Meadowbrook's big day not only included McCaughan's victory, but several other individual top eight place finishers including John Janczarek, second in the 800 (2:01.06); AJ Broom, fourth in the high jump (5-10); Darin Neff, sixth in the shot put (44-3); Dallas Guy, seventh in the 1600 (4:45.99) and eight in the 3200 (10:26.83);

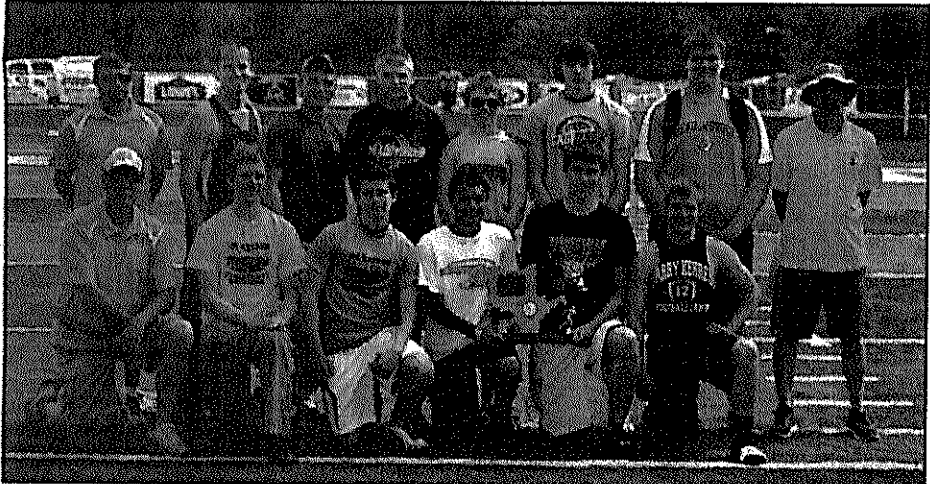


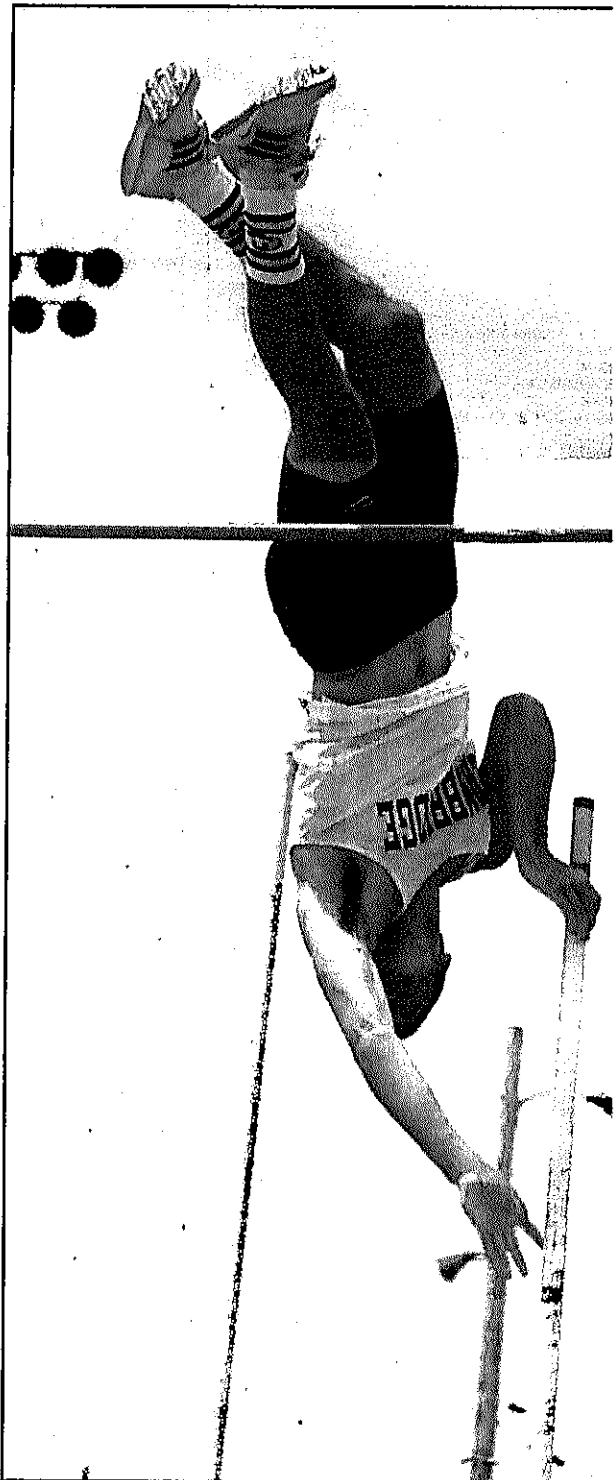
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The Meadowbrook High boys' track squad proudly displays its championship trophy after winning the Class 3A title at the Cal Giffin OVAC Track Championships at St. Clairsville on Saturday.



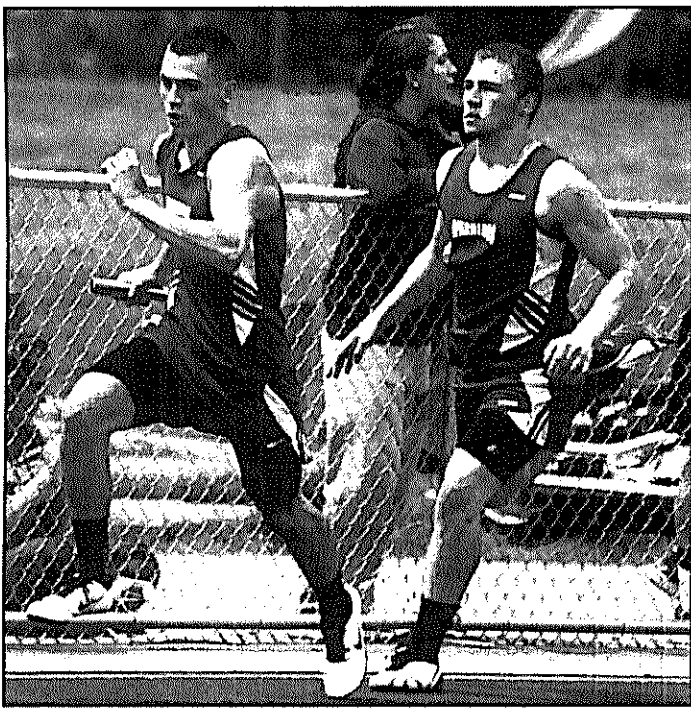
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Cambridge High's Errik Snell sprints to the finish line in the 110-meter hurdles at Saturday's Cal Giffin OVAC Track Championships in St. Clairsville. Snell posted a 14.29-second clocking, setting new OVAC and CHS school records.

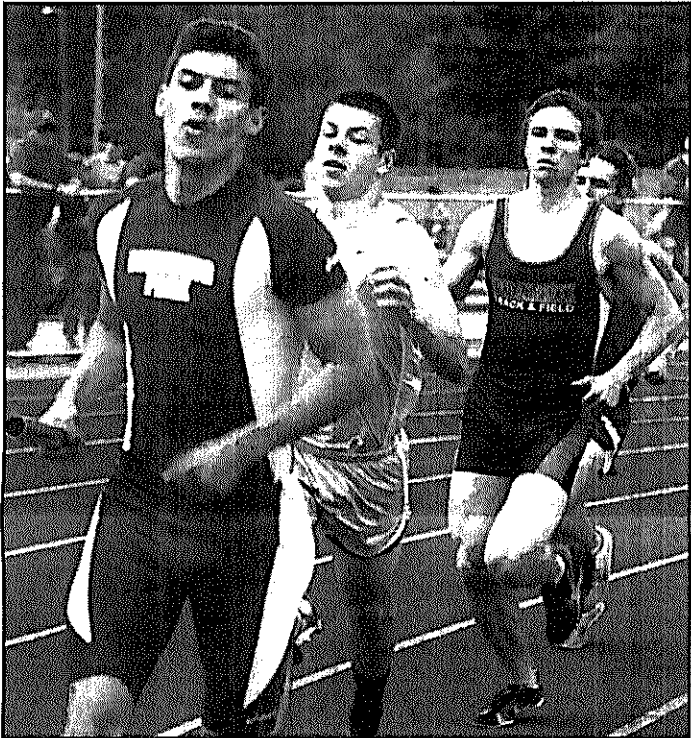


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Cambridge High's Eric Fox clears the bar with a record effort at Saturday's Cal Giffin OVAC Track Championships at St. Clairsville High. Fox also set the Class 5A mark in preliminaries earlier in the week at 15-3.

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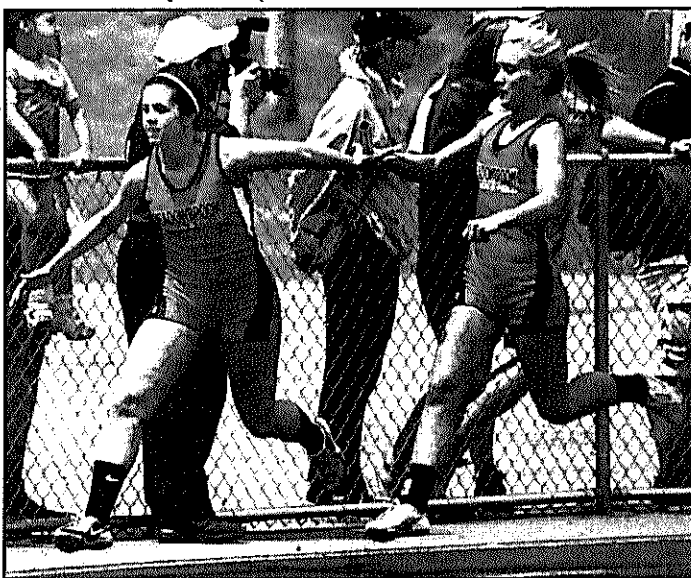
Garrett Knott/The Daily Jeffersonian/www.buyjeffphotos.com Buckeye Trail High's Tyler Doudna (left) takes off after grabbing the baton from teammate Travis Pontius in the 4x200-meter relay at Saturday's Cal Giffin OVAC Track Championship at St. Clairsville High School.



Garrett Knott/The Daily Jeffersonian/www.buyjeffphotos.com Meadowbrook High's John Janczarek (right) runs the first leg in the 4x800-meter relay at Saturday's Cal Giffin OVAC Track Championship at St. Clairsville High School.



Garrett Knott/The Daily Jeffersonian/www.buyjeffphotos.com Shenandoah High's Jensen Ciacci (left) receives the baton from Kylee Kasper in the 4x200-meter relay.



Garrett Knott/The Daily Jeffersonian/www.buyjeffphotos.com Meadowbrook High's Cheyann Fehrman (left) receives the baton from teammate Erin Smith in the 4x200-meter relay at Saturday's Cal Giffin OVAC Track Championship at St. Clairsville High School.



Garrett Knott/The Daily Jeffersonian/www.buyjeffphotos.com Barnesville High's Katlin Grimes, Meadowbrook's Dallas Guy and Caldwell's Jonathan Niswonger (third, fourth, and seventh from left), compete in the 1600-meter run.



Barnesville High's Dalton Turner runs his leg of the 4x800-meter relay at Saturday's OVAC meet.



Cambridge High's Elizabeth Phillips makes a turn in the 1600-meter run.

OVAC track meet

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and Pete Novak, eighth in the pole vault (11-0).

The Colts also got big efforts in relays, including fourth in the 4x800 (Janczarek, Caleb Ferhman, Jason Dunlap and Guy) in 8:29.11; fifth in the 4x200 (McCaghan, Broom, Clay Lapp and Nick Dunlap) in 1:35.42; eighth in the 4x400 (Nick Dunlap, Fehrman, Janczarek and Dylan Wood) in 3:37.06; eighth in the 4x100 (McCaghan, Clay Lapp, Austin Holliday and Kevin Lapp) in 46.22.

In addition to Eric Fox and Snell's winning efforts, Cambridge medal-winning efforts included Derrick Stevens, third in the long jump (19-10) and seventh in the 400 (53.27); Eric Fox, fourth in the 300 hurdles (41.54); the 4x400 relay (Zach Lewis, Snell, Fox and Stevens), third in 3:33.58; and the shuttle hurdle relay (Snell, Eric Fox, Adam Fox, Jake Pershing), fourth in 1:02.02.

For Caldwell, Tanner Harding was fourth in the 3200 (9:59.99) and Jonathan Niswonger was sixth in the 1600 (4:41.52).

Trail's best efforts included Nate Huber, third in the pole vault (12-6); and Austin Carleton, eighth in the 300 hurdles (42.94) and eighth in the high jump (5-8).

Besides winning 1 dles, Barnesville's A was fourth in the (15.61) and Jeff Ha in the same event (1 Shenandoah's B placed fourth in the

In the girls' meet, top eight place-finis Paxton Winston, thi jump (5-0); Steph fourth in the shot Emilie Anderson, fi put (34-8) and fifth (102-5); and Elizat eighth in the 1600 (For Meadowbru McKirihan was s 200 (26.82); the team (Alex Eck Smith, Cheyann F Paige McKirihan) 1:48.31; and the team (Sydney Blac Johnson, Sydney S Morgan Modra) v 4:21.40.

Caldwell's top ef ed Jenna Furr, fifth (11:53.84); and the team (Katie Sali Saling, Lexi Walle seventh in 10:35.31.

Barnesville's only isher was Natalie V fourth in the high jur Shenandoah's best from Katelyn Jor: the high jump (4-10

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Boys	Girls
<p>TEAM SCORES: Morgantown, 143.75; Wheeling Park, 121; Martins Ferry, 83; John Marshall, 89.25; St. Clairsville, 69.5; St. John, 66.5; River, 61; Steubenville Catholic, 53.5; Steubenville, 51.6; Edison, 43.5; Weir, 43; Carnridge, 36.5; Wellsville, 33.75; Oak Glen, 30; Meadowbrook, 28; Clay-Battelle, 25; Linsly, 24.75; Brooks, 25; Parkersburg South, 18.5; Wheeling Central, 18; Fort Frye, 16.75; Bridgeport, 16.5; Madison, 16; Shenandoah, 16; Bellaire, 13.25; Magnolia, 13; Union Local, 12.75; Indian Creek, 12; Caldwell, 11; Barnesville, 10.75; Buckeye Trail, 10.5; East Richland Christian, 8.5; Harrison Central, 8; Buckeye Local, 8.75; Valley, 8; Shadyside, 5.5; University, 5; Toronto, 4.5; East Liverpool, 4.25; Trinity Christian, 4; Monroe Central, 2; Bishop Donahue, 1.</p>	<p>100M Trot (Morg), 12.29; Taylor (Wells), 12.50; McCullough (Riv), 12.60; McGhee (WP), 12.61; Baldwin (Morg), 12.75; Jenkins (MF), 12.83; Burch (OG), 12.93; Robb (WP), 13.05.</p>
<p>200M Trot (Morg), 25.89; McCullough (Riv), 26.18; Baldwin (Morg), 26.22; Jenkins (MF), 26.59; Rice (Steub), 26.74; McKirihan (Meadow), 26.82; McGhee (WP), 26.90; Avoy (SJC), 26.94.</p>	<p>100M Dorr (Morg), 1.10; Taylor (Wells), 1.11; McCullough (Riv), 1.12; Baldwin (Morg), 1.13; Jenkins (MF), 1.14; Burch (OG), 1.15; Robb (WP), 1.16.</p>
<p>400M A. Haught (JM), 58.02; Burch (OG), 58.78; Avoy (SJC), 59.11; Groves (WP), 59.90; E. Haught (JM), 1:00.52; Wrenn (MF), 1:00.87; Gotta (SCC), 1:01.41; Hart (FF), 1:01.89.</p>	<p>800M Doyle (SJC), 2:21.06; Lynch (Morg), 2:23.28; Haught (JM), 2:24.58; Shaw (HC), 2:27.37; Brooks (Morg), 2:27.76; Surface (ER), 2:29.38; Wrenn (MF), 2:30.55; Nolder (OG), 2:31.59.</p>
<p>1600M Doyle (SJC), 5:07.68; Harshbarger (Morg), 5:08.90; Castle (STC), 5:10.28; Madzia (STC), 5:10.72; Pineault (Morg), 5:28.94; Mastantoni (Weir), 5:38.69; Wits (Univ), 5:39.64; Phillips (Camb), 5:46.62.</p>	<p>1600M Walker (STC), 4:28.3; 4:31.05; Boyer (Univ), 4:35.6; 4:39.39; Edwards (UL), 4:41.52; Guy (Meadow), 4:48.34.</p>
<p>3200M Madzia (STC), 11:09.25; Harshbarger (Morg), 11:17.00; Castle (STC), 11:25.86; Pineault (Cald), 11:41.04; Furr (Cald), 11:53.84; Curry (PS), 12:13.11; Mastantoni (Weir), 12:18.63; Romanek (WP), 12:27.15.</p>	<p>3200M Anderson (FF), 9:4; 9:51.41; Minor (Univ), 9:57.0; 9:59.99; Lassure (SJC), 1:00.0; 10:16.93; Laurita (Mor Meadow), 10:26.83.</p>
<p>100M HH Demow (JM), 14.82; Darnus (Steub), 15.17; Bumgartner (WP), 15.43; Carson (CB), 15.52; Watta (Steub), 15.60; Rigaud (SCC), 15.81; Allan (MF), 15.95; Borsch (Ed), 16.06.</p>	<p>110M HH Snell (Camb), 14; 15.49; Nodianos (Steub), (Barnes), Jones (UL), 15.67; 15.76; Gregg (Wells), 15.85; 1:30.00 IH Anderson (Barn WP), 40.73; Jones (UL), 41.54; Anyabwile (Steub), 41 (HC), 42.16; Lindsey (HC), (BT), 42.84.</p>
<p>4x100 Morgantown, 49.80; Wheeling Park, 50.81; Steubenville, 50.82; Steubenville Catholic, 51.49; Clay-Battelle, 51.72; Martins Ferry, 51.72; St. Clairsville, 51.86; Brooks, 52.27.</p>	<p>4x100 Martins Ferry, 44.30; S Weir, 45.49; Morgantown, 45.67; Clay-Battelle, 45.64 Meadowbrook, 46.22.</p>
<p>4x200 Wheeling Park, 1:45.56; John Marshall, 1:45.69; Morgantown, 1:46.91; Steubenville Catholic, 1:47.30; Martins Ferry, 1:48.27; Meadowbrook, 1:49.31; Clay-Battelle, 1:49.41; Edison, 1:49.64.</p>	<p>4x200 Martins Ferry, 1:32.3; 1:33.43; Linsly, 1:35.11; Pa 1:35.15; Meadowbrook, 1: 1:35.73; Clay-Battelle, 1: 1:36.19.</p>
<p>4x400 Wheeling Park, 4:06.98; Wheeling Park, 4:08.98; John Marshall, 4:11.66; Weir, 4:18.15; St. John Central, 4:17.93; Meadowbrook, 4:21.40; Martins Ferry, 4:21.69; Morgantown, 4:21.87.</p>	<p>4x400 Wheeling Park, 3:31.93; 3:32.81; Cambridge, 3:33.58; 3:33.85; Morgantown, 3:33.8; Martins Ferry, 3:35.91; Mead 4x800 University, 8:15.05; 8:16.47; Morgantown, 8:27.3; 8:29.11; Fort Frye, 8:29.83; C Steubenville Catholic, 8:35.06 8:35.35.</p>
<p>Shuttles Wheeling Park, 1:00.35; Steubenville, 1:06.64; Wheeling Central, 1:07.11; John Marshall, 1:07.18; Martins Ferry, 1:07.41; Brooke, 1:12.18; Edison, 1:12.95; Morgantown, 1:13.49.</p>	<p>Shuttles Steubenville, 58.6; 59.31; Harrison Central, 1:02.1:02.02; Martins Ferry, 1:02.2; Parkersburg South, 1:03.6; 1:04.11.</p>
<p>Long Jump Watta (Steub), 17-1; Avoy (SJC), 16-8; McCullough (Riv), 16-5 1/4; Massey (Bpt), 16-3 3/4; Taylor (Wells), 16-3 1/4; Pollock (Ed), 15-7 3/4; LaFata (Morg), 15-5; Goodrich (IC), 15-4 1/2.</p>	<p>Long Jump McCaghan Speelman (Beav), 20-06 1/2; 19-10 c; English (EL), 19-3 3/ 16-11 c; Rohde (Mag), 18-11 18-10 s; Mastowski (SCC), 18 High Jump Schau (MF), 6-0; Long (EL), 5-10; Broom (Mea (Riv), 5-8; Dombrowski (SCC 5-8; Carleton (BT), 5-8.</p>
<p>Pole Vault Hamrick (PS), 10-06; Crolley (MF), 0-0; LaFata (Morg), 9-6; Buchanan (FF), 9-0; Lussell (UL) 9-0; Kinemond (Shady), 8-8; Dolan (WP), 8-8; Tattman (Morg), 8-0; Cordy (Bel), 8-0.</p>	<p>Pole Vault Fox (Camb), 14-6; Huber (BT), 12-6; Jones (UL), 12-6; Massey (FF), 12-0; H Novak (Meadow), 11-0.</p>
<p>Shot Put Robinson (STC), 46-7 1/2; Winters (IM), 37-0 5/8; Morris (Morg), 36-0; Massey (Camb), 35-0; Anderson (Camb), 34-8 1/2; reem (Bel), 34-7 1/2; Coles (Wells), 33-7; Ickerson (WP), 32-7 1/2.</p>	<p>Shot Put McGee (MF), 53-8 53-0; Oparanozie (Line), 52-5 49-2; LaRoche (Bel), 48-7 1/ 44-3 c; White (PS), 44-3; Pa 1/3.</p>
<p>Discus Robinson (STC), 110-1; Coles (Wells), 18-7; Pavan (Mad), 105-4; Dickerson (WP), 103- Anderson (Camb), 102-5; Santinoceto (SJC), 11-10; Patton (UL), 101-6; Shimko (IC), 100-7.</p>	<p>Discus Rippetto (PS), 158-1; 2; Lindsay (STC), 142-2; St. Blackston (WP), 135-8; Ma Tharp (Riv), 134-0; Richmond</p>