

Lady 'Dogs Place Fourth at League By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs Track Team placed fourth at the Western Kansas Liberty League meet in Logan on May 12 with 92 total points scored. The girls had one league champion—KayCee Miller in long jump at 15' 8.25".

In addition to the first place in long jump, Miller placed second in the 100m (13.42) and the 200m (27.57). Mabel Lugo also placed second in the 400m (1:02.86) and the 100m hurdles (17.67). "This was a first time experience competing in a high school league meet," said Lugo, freshman. "It was different than middle school—it went much quicker."

Maggi Nieman ran a second place finish in the 3200m run (13:50.33) and placed third in the 1600m at 6:28.52. The 4 x 400m relay team of Gabrielle Schiltz, Kaylie Schaben, Miller, and Lugo placed second with a season best run of 4:27.81. Schiltz placed third in Long Jump with a 14' 2.25" jump and third in Triple Jump at 30' 10".

Earning fourth place points for the Bulldogs were Kaylie Schaben in 400m (1:12.12), Mabel Lugo in 800m (2:41.88), and the 4 x 800m relay team of Candace Taylor, Maggi Nieman, Amanda Cheney, and Karla Hernandez (13:03.73).

The 4 x 100m relay team of Cheney, Karri Schaben, Jennifer Esparza, and Kayla Schaben placed fifth at 1:01.66 and Esparza placed sixth in Shot Put with a 30' 9.5" throw while Schiltz placed sixth in the 400m (1:12.86).

Several girls just missed points in seventh place including Karla Hernandez-800m (3:15.51), and Candace Taylor with a PR in the 1600m run (6:54.56). Taryn Fleckenstein set a PR of 23' 7" in Shot Put while Karri Schaben set a PR in Javelin at 67' 9".

Additional results were 100m—Karri Schaben 15.38, Amanda Cheney 17.16, 200m—Karla Hernandez 33.82, Cheney 35.18, Shot Put—Noel Ritter 27' 7", Discus—Ritter 69' 0", Esparza 63' 10", Fleckenstein 52' 0", Javelin—Esparza 54' 6", Fleckenstein 52' 1", Long Jump—Cheney 11' 6.5", and Triple Jump—Karri Schaben 27' 6.25".

Some of the girls ended their season at the league meet while others will be preparing for regionals in Hays on May 19. "Our season has gone well," added Lugo. "We had a lot of fun and worked hard to accomplish our goals. I was glad to qualify for regionals." Competing in regionals will be Lugo, KayCee Miller, Kaylie Schaben, Gabrielle Schiltz, and Maggi Nieman.