



Eli Kelly clears the bar during the high jump at the Neodesha Middle school track meet Monday in Neodesha. - Photo by Rob Morgan

Long-distance proved to be rewarding for the Altoona-Midway

By Craig Null, USD-387 Activities Writer

Yates Center – The long-distance races proved to be the most rewarding events for the Altoona-Midway Middle School track team during the Yates Center Invitational held here Tuesday.

The Jet thinclads were only able to rack up a dozen total points during the 11-team meet, and all 12 points for AMMS were claimed in the distance runs.

Eliot Ard was the lone boy to accumulate points for Altoona-Midway on Tuesday. Ard picked up six points and a bronze medal in the boys’ 8th grade 3200 meter run, finishing third with a time of 13:02.92.

Ard also notched a sixth-place finish in the 1600-meter run, covering the distance in 6:15.01. That brought the AMMS 8th grade boys total to seven for the day.

Meanwhile, the Lady Jets tallied all five of their 8th grade girls’ team total in a single event, the 1600 meter run.

Allison Lockhart crossed the finish line in 8:20.75, good enough for fourth place at the invitational, while teammate Emily Burch finished sixth with a time of 8:29.65.

The only other Top 10 finishes for the AMMS 8th grade boys were Carl Anderson, 10th in the 800 (3:32.03), Caden Sicka, 10th in the 100-meter hurdles (23.84), the Jet sprint medley team of Zack Good, Anderson, Ard, and Sicka, which finished 8th (2:15.38).

Other performances for the 8th grade boys included: Good in the long jump (13-3), 100 meters (14.65), and 200 meters (31.08); Sicka in the high jump (4-02); and Oliver Salas in the shot put (16-06) and discus (44-04).

Burch also participated in the 8th grade girls’ discus (31-07) but did not place.

In the Boys’ 7th Grade Division

- turned in by Jets in the field events.
- In the 7th grade discus, Hunter Reaves placed 10th (58-04), just ahead of teammate Hyden Buchanan (57-07), while Alexander Lockhart threw 37-09.
- Buchanan just missed the Top 10 in the shot put (20-08), while Lockhart covered 13-06.
- Other performances for the 7th grade boys were: Reaves in the 800 meter run (3:41.10); Torryn Elsworth in the 100 meters (17.29); and Buchanan in the 100 meters (17.88).
- Buchanan, Elsworth, Lockhart and Reaves also teamed up to compete in the 4x100 meter relay, finishing 8th (1:11.10).
- Final team standings for the 2025 Yates Center Invitational were as follows:
- Boys 8th Grade Division
1. Central Heights (76)
 2. Jayhawk-Linn (67)
 3. Humboldt (66)
 4. Uniontown (51.5)
 5. Marmaton Valley (51)
 6. Eureka (38)
 7. Flinthills (33.5)
 8. Crest (26)
 9. Yates Center (17)
 10. Altoona-Midway (7)
 11. Southern Coffey County (1)
- Girls 8th Grade Division
1. Yates Center (67)
 2. Flinthills (65)
 3. Jayhawk-Linn (64)
 - 4T. Humboldt (53)
 - 4T. Crest (53)
 6. Central Heights (40)
 7. Marmaton Valley (38)
 8. Eureka (21)
 9. Uniontown (12)
 - 10T. Altoona-Midway (5)
 - 10T. Southern Coffey County (5)
- Boys 7th Grade Division
1. Eureka (77)
 2. Crest (76)
 3. Yates Center *63)
 4. Central Heights (47)
 5. Jayhawk-Linn (42)
 6. Humboldt (36)
 7. Marmaton Valley (32)
 8. Uniontown (28)



LeeAnn Smith throws the discus during the Neodesha Middle School track meet Monday afternoon. - Photo by Rob Morgan

Streaks lose one and win one in Humboldt

The NHS baseball team competed in the annial Humboldt tournament last week.

Lost game 1 NHS: 5 - Humboldt: 7

"Quote for this game: "The boys battled and played one of their better games of the year. We were down 4 to 0 and came back and tied it and then Humboldt took the lead again 5 to 4 and again we tied it up. We came up a little short as we lost 7 to 5 and if we clean up a few fielding errors we will be just fine. All in all we were very proud of the boys for fighting even when we were down by 4 to a good team. We will continue to build off of

this game." said coach Aaron Mosher

Won game 2 NHS: 13 - Central Heights: 3

"Quote for this game: "We came out with the victory. It wasn't pretty at times but we got the job done that we came there to do. To see the boys finally win a tournament game at the Humboldt tournament was really fun and rewarding for us. Our pitchers came out this game ready to go and when called upon our relievers came in and shut them down. We had some timely hitting and a lot of stolen bases which helped when scoring 13." said Mosher.

Stats:

Pitching: G1: Rylan Allen (starter): 3 IP, 2 H, 4 R, 1 ER, 4 K, 5 BB

Joey Flessner: 3 IP, 3 R, 2 ER, 4 K

G2: Jake Flessner (starter): 3 IP, 2 R, 1 ER, 4 K, Camryn White: 2.1 IP, 1 R, 1 ER, 5 K, Cole Ramey: 1.2 IP, 0 R, 0 ER, 3 K

Hitting: (Both Games Combined)

Camryn White: 2 for 7, 1 RBI, 1 R, Joey Flessner: 2 for 8, 2 RBI, 2 R: Garrett Babcock: 3 for 8, 4 RBI, 1 R, Rylan Allen: 4 for 8, 2 RBI, 4 R, Cole Ramey: 1 for 6, 1 RBI, 1 R, Colten Babcock: 2 for 7, 5 RBI, Colton Newton: 1 for 4, 1 R , Ayden Brooks: 0 for 5, Jake Flessner: 3 for 6, 2 RBI, 1 R, Lane Arnold: 1 for 2



Bluestreak Family Fun Run 2025

April 19th, 2025, eleven runners participated in the Bluestreak Family Fun Run. This is fund raiser for the Neodesha Education Fund. Due to weather the run was

moved inside. The route ran through the North gym up the stairs to the hallway and down the ramp back into the gym. The runners accumulated 209 laps, which is about 12.2 miles.

Thank you, runners, Wellness Committee members, USD 461 staff, Linda Hall and the following sponsors: A-Lert,

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- Excavation or demolition
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Sports Schedule:

NT Streaks

May 1
Golf @ Sedan 1 P.M.
HS Tennis @ Circle 3 P.M.
HS Track @ Neodesha 3 P.M.

May 5
HS Tennis @ Independence 3 P.M.
JV Golf @ Eureka 3 P.M.
BSB/SB vs. Caney 4:30

May 6
Golf @ humboldt 1 P.M.
MS TVL Track @ Caney 3 P.M.
HS track @ Burlington 3:30 P.M.

May9
BSB/SB @ Cherryvale 4:30P.M.

May 10
Regional Tennis

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