

Friday Afternoon 1A/4A State Track and Field Results

GIRLS

RECORDS

Class 4A shot put -- Erika Hammond, Clinton, 47-1 1/2. Old record 46-11 3/4, Danielle Frere, Muscatine, 2008.

MULTIPLE WINNERS

Two Titles

Diana Slight, Boone -- Class 3A 400, long jump.

REPEATING

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CAN'T KEEP THOSE J-HAWKS DOWN

Cedar Rapids Jefferson just keeps winning in the 4x200 relay. The J-Hawks not only won the Class 4A race for the fourth straight year, they ran the second-fastest time in state history. Jefferson won in 1:40.24 for their fifth victory in the last six years. That time is No. 2 on the all-time list, which Jefferson leads with a 1:39.24 run last year. Jasmine Blue anchored and has run on all four of the recent championship teams. Leadoff runner Abilene Ranschau has been on the last three title teams. Waukee ran a good race to finish second in 1:41.01. That moves the Warriors up to No. 5 on the all-time list.

WHAT'S IN A NAME

It helps to be named Durbin when high jumping at Drake Stadium. Freshman Sydney Durbin of OABCIG cleared 5-4 to win the Class 2A championship. That game after Megan Durbin of Greene County won the Class 3A title on Thursday. Megan Durbin also won the high jump at the Drake Relays. Defending 2A champion Cori DeJong of Western Christian finished third. Sydney Durbin's title is the first ever for her school in an individual event.

STREAK BUSTERS

Maple Valley/Anthon-Oto ended North Linn's three-year winning streak in the Class 1A distance medley relay -- and gave the school its first state championship in track. With Emalee Funderman anchoring, the Rams ran away from the field and won in 4:12.50. North Linn finished fifth.

CENTENNIAL STRIKES GOLD

Ankeny Centennial has won state championships in other sports and now the 3-year-old school has its first state title in girls track. Sophomore anchor Megan Gray came from well back in the pack on the final lap to edge Waukee's Logan Akason for the victory. Centennial finished in 4:05.21 and Waukee was clocked in 4:05.25. Centennial's time ranks 21st on the state's all-time list. Waukee's time goes in for a tie at 22nd.

EAGLES TAKE FLIGHT

West Hancock got a memorable victory in the Class 1A 4x200 relay. It was the first victory for the Eagles in the event, and they ran just fast enough to win it. Kaylee Hudspeth anchored as her team finished in 1:46.26. Guthrie Center, running the previous section, was second in 1:46.79.

NUMBER NINE, NUMBER NINE

Pleasant Valley's Carly Donahue repeated her Drake Relays title in the 400 hurdles with an even better time in the Class 4A race. Donahue easily outran the field to win in 1:01.35, which moves her from 14th to ninth on the state's all-time list.

BIG WIN FOR THE COWGIRLS

Mackenzie Daffer of Sidney earned the Class 1A title in the 400 hurdles and it was a significant victory for the school. Daffer is just the second Sidney athlete to win a state championship. The first was Julie Sherwood, who won the softball throw -- an event that's no longer held -- in 1978 and 1979. Daffer finished in 1:05.08 to edge second section winner Annika Wall of Jesup. Wall ran 1:05.20.