

Golf Team Hits the Links



The boys and girls golf teams began practice Tuesday night. They are under the direction of Mr. Rundquist and Mr. Bonebrake. Their first meet is next Monday. Pictured are the returning letterwinners: Curtis Wolf, Lee Manson, Jonny Thomas, Jacob Bawek; Michelle Tumey, Jessi Preussner, Sheila Wenthold and Ashleigh Hunt.



Right: Returning letterwinners for the girls track team are: front: Lindsey Hunt, Jordan Gibbs, Amanda Harris, Staci Wenthold, Kendra Krause, Abby Jurgens; back: Cassie Fangman, Mary Hoffmann, Amy Conrad, Kelli Dabroski, Brianne Boies and Bonny Jaeger.

Boys Track Team Under New Command



Returning letterwinners for the boys track team are: front: Neal Johnson, Nathan Burger, Jordan Keith, Tyler Willey, Blake Humpal, Scott Hoeger; back: Jeremy Dircks, Brian Sibel, Donny Nordmann, Casey Lechtenberg and Tristan Miles.

Mr. Smith, the new boys track coach, is expecting big things from his three seniors.

Tristan Miles is back to compete in the shot and disc, an event in which he qualified for state last year. Mr. Smith stated he expects Blake Humpal to be tough in the 400 hurdles, the 200m, 400m and 800m. Nathan Burger will contribute with strong showings in the 100m and 200m. Eleven letterwinners return from last year's team which placed sixth at the conference meet.

"As a team we will be looking for

many others to step up and give strong efforts each meet," Mr. Smith stated. "We will be looking for individuals who are willing to try events and distances that they may not have done before."

Mr. Smith believes by the time the conference and district meets roll around, the team will have found combinations of athletes that can be competitive in many events.

The boys first local meet will be Tuesday at Manchester.

Reigning Conference Champs Return 12 Letterwinners

Mr. Frake is counting on senior leadership as the groundwork for this year's girls track team.

"After the accomplishments of the last few years, our seniors have gained experience on what it takes to succeed and have a desire to continue working hard toward their goals," Mr. Frake stated. "And the great thing about this year's team is that there is senior leadership in almost every area."

Mr. Frake stated one strength of the team is the depth from top to bottom throughout each event. "As a team we are not overly strong in one area but try to find

a way to score points in every event."

Key sprinters will be Amy Conrad, Brianne Boies, Jordan Gibbs and Bonny Jaeger along with Abby Jurgens, Mekell Helle and Lindsey Hunt.

Boies and Jaeger along with Mary Hoffmann and Hunt will set the standard for the hurdlers. "But no spot is secure with competition always pushing the girls to improve," Mr. Frake added.

Kelli Dabroski, Amanda Harris and Staci Wenthold will be strong in the middle distances.

Field events should also be strong with Conrad and Jaeger in the long jump, Dabroski in the high jump and Cassie Fangman in the discus.

Mr. Frake also added that he has a great group of freshmen who will help round out the team.

The girls opened the outdoor season Tuesday at Manchester. They will compete this upcoming Tuesday in Independence.

