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Sexton runner captures two state crowns

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GRAND RAPIDS — Nikki Bouyer could easily have missed the victory stand for part of her belongings at Saturday's Class A state finals.

It wouldn't have been an easy mistake since the Sexton junior stood there three times. Bouyer won the 110-meter hurdles in 16.6, the 300 hurdles in 48.05 and took the 100 dash in

Bouyer

Bouyer also was last year's 300 hurdles and took second in the 110. Judging from the way Bouyer described how she felt on the victory stand, it's a surprise she didn't leave it behind.

"You get a feeling of dominance, a feeling of being the best," said Bouyer, as she adjusted the red bow she uses to pull her hair back during races. "I was really nervous, because everybody was telling me the 300 was tense. Now, I've proven I can do it."

Bouyer's coach, Sexton hurdling coach Bill Washington, credited his friends, to do best with her victory in the 300 hurdles. She said Bouyer was "unbeatable."

"I never heard my brother this time; I haven't heard him before," Bouyer said.

Shiddi Washington led Sexton's boys to a fourth-place finish with a pair-second Washington took third in the 800 run in 56.01.

He moved to the outside with 200 meters left to avoid being boxed in. Then he had enough to take the last 100 meters, but fell back at the end, collapsing to the ground before getting up under his own power.

"I don't have been real tight since the Kmart Kind, but I did feel pretty good," Washington said. "I'm happy with my race. This is my last 800 race, and this is the way I'd like to go out."

Tennessee Angela Lang won all out in the 100 dash, finishing fourth in 14.00. 22-second from second place.

"I had a little roller coaster career with my hurdles," he said, "but I'm glad I can say I finished on the top step."

The Sexton 1600 relay team and All-Lansing Lang, Jr. Tyrone and Washington finished fifth in 3:24.16. Sexton's 400 relay team finished seventh in 2:51.

East Lansing's Chad McMillan was unable to defend his title in the of 6-7. The junior was unable to clear the last jump, which was 6-8.

McMillan said his concentration was broken when an official told him to move his mat to avoid a bad spot on the track. McMillan said the delay distracted him, but he still had a good day.

"Sure I'm disappointed, but second place in the state — that's not bad," he said. "You have to realize that you're not always going to do your best, and you always look ahead to the next day. I'm at peace

Fowler girls take third in Class D

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GRAND RAPIDS — The Fowler girls' track team finished third Saturday in the Class D state championships at Forest Hills Northern High School.

The Eagles amassed 45 points, finishing behind Litchfield with 48 and Northern Michigan Christian with 47.

Fowler's 3,200 relay team was the day's only winner, as Karmen Lykins, Sheri Theiss, Nicole Hafner and Laura Irrer ran 9:59.6.

Lykins also placed second in the 1,600 relay in 4:13.00 and ninth in the 800 relay in 1:51.58.

Irrer also placed second place in the 3,200 run in 12:06.1 and a win in the 1,600 in 5:36.10. Jamie Hurr was second in the 400 dash in 1:01.70 and Irrer was sixth in the 800 in 2:29.1.

Portland St. Patrick was fourth in the 400 relay in 52.0 seconds and the Shamrocks were seventh in the 800 relay. Pottorville was fourth in the 1,600 relay in 4:54.0 and Pottorville's Amy Ellis placed fifth in the high jump at 5-04.

In the boys meet, Fowler's Eric Bierstetel was second in the 1,600 run in 5:01.0 and third in the 3,200 run in 9:55.56. Brandon Pung was seventh in the long jump at 20-4 and eighth in the 110 high hurdles in 17.70 and brother Brent Pung was seventh in the 300 hurdles in 46 seconds. However, their efforts were not enough for the Eagles to engage the top 10 team finishes.

Webberville's Corey House was second in the pole vault at 12-6 and teammate Anthony Rhoden was seventh in the pole vault at 12-0. Dansville's Matt Pettitt took third in the 100 dash in 11.38 seconds and was fifth in the 200 and fifth in the 400 relay in 45.90.

Hamstring pull sidelines Kinder

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GRAND RAPIDS — Timberland's Jeremy Kinder experienced Saturday's Class A state track and field finals was his first injury.

Kinder, who won the 200- and 400-meter dashes last year, pulled a hamstring in the 100-meter semifinal and did not compete in the finals of any of the three events — the 100 dashes, 200 and 1,600 relays.

Kinder, who has plenty to look forward to next fall at Notre Dame, took the injury in stride.

"I'm disappointed I didn't defend championships today, and it would have been nice to go out at my last meet with a title," he said. "I couldn't control it, and I'm disappointed I didn't do my best myself to death with."

"I have graduation tomorrow and my parents coming, so I have some things to take my mind off it. But it's tough."

East Lansing coach Jeff Smith took a similar approach, but was more optimistic.

"As a coach, there really is nothing to say. I just say, that's too bad," he said. "I don't feel bad for myself at all, but I do feel bad for Jeremy. He's worked so hard, and he'd been a lock to have the world by the tail."

The injury did surprise Kinder since Kinder played football in September and experienced no problems.

"You can't just sit around feeling sorry for yourself," Smith said. "There are a lot of people who have had injured career, and a track meet certainly isn't one of them."

Kinder, who was a former athletics, set he's just capitalize on his talent in the fall.

"I'm always here to coach."

Senior Jeff Boeschker finished fifth in the high jump at 6-2 for Holt. Sophomore Adam Gilroy was sixth in 13-1.

Carl Zemke finished third in the high jump at 6-6 for Bloomingdale. Sophomore Jason Van Bersch was 10th at 5'10".

Bloomingdale's 3,200 relay team competes in a five-school Holmes Invitational next weekend, said one forced her to miss the state meet.

The shortfall not solve a real tragedy," Lopez-McKnight said. "They say will miss over 400, I just had to win because I'm a senior, and if you want something bad enough, you do it."

Okemos' 400 relay team finished fourth in 50.11. East Lansing's Eileen Finck finished third in the 1600 run in 5:05.45. The junior also made a appearance in the 800 run as it finish second in 11:19.5.

■ Class B at Wyoming Park: Senior Jon Maurer posted personal bests in the high jump and took fourth in the 800 with a clocking of 1:97.1. Dan Seeley of Alma was fifth in the 400 hurdles in 1:01.4 and sixth in the 300 hurdles in 44.4. Whitehall freshmen were Brad Reynolds of Whitehall in the 1,600 run.

In girls competition, Jane Lee of Ionia placed second in the high jump. Kelly Hoffman of Ionia was third in the 300 hurdles. Sophomore Rachel Hite and Lakewood's Heather Mitchell placed third and fourth respectively in the 1,600 run in the long jump. Hamlin's Amy Jacobson took eighth in the 100 hurdles. Maple Valley's Kelly Hoffman was sixth in the shot put and Hamlin's Kelly Kaiser finished fifth in the 100 hurdles in 16.56 to support Goodrich's championship team.

■ Class C at Byron Center: Lennon's lead boost of St. Louis was the 1,600 run in 5:08.58 and her Sharks finished fifth in the 400 relay in 52.0. Ithaca's track meet with 54 points. Maple Valley had 37 points to be for 11th place. Shelly Hall was second in the 100 hurdles in 16.5. In the boys meet, Ruth had 51 points to be for 16th place. Eau Claire was the only area team to score.

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