Scholtz sprints way to two league titles



Louisburg eighth-grader Elana Lewis flies through the air during an attempt in the long jump during a meet earlier this season. Lewis finished fourth in the event Saturday at the Frontier League meet in Gardner.

GARDNER — Mackenzie Scholtz and her wheels were on full display Saturday at the Frontier League junior high track and field meet.

Scholtz, a Louisburg Middle School seventh-grader, proved she is the fastest sprinter in the league as she won the 100 and 200-meter dashes at Trail Ridge Middle School in Gardner.

She also helped her seventh-grade girls team to a third-place league finish as the Lady Cats tallied 73.5 points. Paola won the meet with 105.5 points and Eudora was second with 98.

In the sprints, Scholtz ran a time of 13.72 seconds to distance herself from the pack in the 100 dash and also won the 200 in 28.27.

Also on the track, distance runner Trinity Moore battled through a case of the stomach flu to still run her way to a pair of third-place finishes. Moore ran the 1,600-meter run in 6 minutes and 2 seconds and the 800 run in 2:39.

Moore also joined the 4×400-meter relay team of Elizabeth Kratochvil, Ashley Moore and Kaylee Pfiffer to take third in 4:57. Scholtz, Haley Cain, Avery O'Meara and Eden Strumillo also took third in the 4×200 relay in 2:07.

Strumillo, Ali Boles, Brooke Lancaster and Scholtz came in fifth in the 4×100 relay in 59.21.

Cain scored in two other events on the track. She was third in the 100-meter hurdles (18.87) and sixth in the 200 dash (31.11). Kratochvil was seventh in the 800 run (2:52) and 400 dash (1:12).

In the field events, Cain scored in her fourth event of the day as she was third in the high jump after she cleared 4 feet, 6 inches.

Jessamy Howison cleared 7-0 in the pole vault to also take third. Avery Graham scored points in the high jump (4-0) and pole vault (6-0) and finished sixth in both events

Kody Lowry rounded out the Lady Cat point-getters as she came in sixth in the discus with a toss of 67-11.

EIGHTH-GRADE GIRLS

The LMS eighth-grade girls track and field team came in eighth in the team standings with 25 points and were led by three relays who scored points for the Lady Cats.

The 4×100 relay team of Trinity Buchanan, Carson Buffington, Kennia Hankinson and Elana Lewis came in fourth with a time of 56.43 seconds. Buffington, Buchanan, Heather Cutshaw and Jorden Leach took fifth in the 4×200 relay in 2:04.

Harley Olson, Kaitlyn Lewer, Hayli Detherage and Shaylor Whitham finished fifth in the 4×400 in 5:10. Whitham also finished seventh in the 3,200 run in 14:18.

In the field events, Hankinson used her final throw of 82-4 to catapult her to third in the discus and teammate Ryann Kramer was fourth at 81-5. Lewis also finished fourth in the long jump with a mark of 14-3.