Columbus Grove Wins PCL Track and Field Title

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It's hard for teams to overcome the depth that the Columbus Grove girl's track team has. The Lady Bulldogs repeated as PCL Champions Friday night scoring 177 points to outdistance runner-up Kalida with 116 points.

Columbus Grove dominated the girl's portion of the meet as they won nine events.

Junior Rylee Sybert won the 100 (12.87) and 200 (26.44) Meter Dashes, while Carlee McCluer won the 100 IH (15.39) and 300 LH (47.22) events. Kayla Reynolds picked up a win for the Bulldogs in the high jump clearing 4-10.

The distance crew picked up four wins as sophomore Alyssa Ellerbrock won the 1600 (5:15.18) and 3200 (11:29.10) Meter Runs. Her time in the 3200 Meter Run was a new meet record. Ellerbrock has set a new meet record in every big meet the Bulldogs have participated in this season.

"I was kind of tired from the one-mile run. I went out trying to see how fast I could go and towards the end I just ran out of gas," Ellerbrock said of breaking the record. "I was close to the record at the 300-meter mark, so I knew I had to pick it up some to get it. Our distance crew and our sprint did really well tonight. It was great. I couldn't ask for a better meet. It's just been a great night overall."

Alysa Ellerbrock started her day by joining sister Taylor Ellerbrock, Allison Choi and Erin Downing to win the 3200 Relay in 10:07.2. Downing won the 800 Meter Run in 2:27.0.

"We had a good effort tonight," Columbus Grove Coach Tim Staley said. "We start with the 'big three', Rylee Sybert winning the 100 and 200, Carlee McCluer winning both hurdle races and Alyssa Ellerbrock wining the 1600 ad 3200, setting a new meet record in the 3200. She has done that at every meet we have been at this year. It was great to see. We had other girls picking up some placement winners for us. Mady Maag PR'ed in both the shot and discus, taking second to Grace Rigel. Grace is about as good as you are going to see. Kayla Reynolds won the high jump tonight with a good effort. Some of those other things we picked up add up to a lot of points. We have a tremendous team this year and I'm very proud of these girls. They work hard in practice and they show it out here."

Hannah Berheide won the 400 Meter Run in 1:00.56 for Kalida and teamed with Kathryn Siebeneck, Abby Maag and Brenna Smith to win the 800 Relay (1:48.80).

Pandora-Gilboa won the 400 Relay in 51.64 with the team of Kayla Ferguson, Amelia Arthur, Olivia Schulte and Alaina Basinger, while Quinley Schlagbaum, Nicole Williams, Tori Thomas and Lindsay Schweller won the 1600 Relay for Ottoville in 4:15.65.

Leipsic won four field events Friday evening as senior standout Grace Rigel won the shot put with a throw of 43-10 to set a new meet record. Rigel also won the discus with a throw of 127-11.

"I'm satisfied for the day," Rigel said. "I haven't been throwing very well lately in the discus, so this was a bit of a surprise - a good surprise. It was definitely good to see that I can get that kind of throw. We will start taking things week by week and keep working on trying to improve the distances. I would like to get my shot put throws to 47 to 48 feet by the end of the season."

Carlee Siefker won the long jump (16-9) and Lyndie Hazelton won the pole vault (8-0).

SUMMARY

(1) Columbus Grove 177 (2) Kalida 116 (3) Pandora-Gilboa 69.5 (4) Leipsic 64.5 (5) Ottoville 54 (6) Continental 25 (7) Fort Jennings 19

*NR SHOT PUT – Grace Rigel (Leipsic) 43-10 DISCUS – Grace Rigel (Leipsic) 127-11 HIGH JUMP – Kayla Reynolds (CG) 4-10 LONG JUMP – Carlee Siefker (Leipsic) 16-9 POLE VAULT – Lyndie Hazelton (Leipsic) 8-0 100 M. INTERMED. HURDLES – Carlee McCluer (CG) 15.39

300 M. LOW HURDLES – Carlee McCluer (CG) 47.22 100 METER DASH – Rylee Sybert (CG) 12.87 200 METER DASH – Rylee Sybert (CG) 26.44 400 METER DASH – Hannah Berheide (Kalida) 1:00.56

800 METER RUN – Erin Downing (CG) 2:27.00 1600 METER RUN – Alyssa Ellerbrock (CG) 5:15.18

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4x100 METER RELAY – Kayla Ferguson, Amelia Arthur, Olivia Schulte and Alaina Basinger (PG) 51.64

4x200 METER RELAY – Kathryn Siebeneck, Abby Maag, Brenna Smith and Hanna Berheide (Kalida) 1:48.80

4x400 METER RELAY – Quinley Schlagaum, Nicole Williams, Tori Thomas and Lindsay Schweller (Ottoville) 4:15.65

4x800 METER RELAY – Alyssa Ellerbrock, Taylor Ellerbrock, Allison Choi and Erin Downing (CG) 10:07.20