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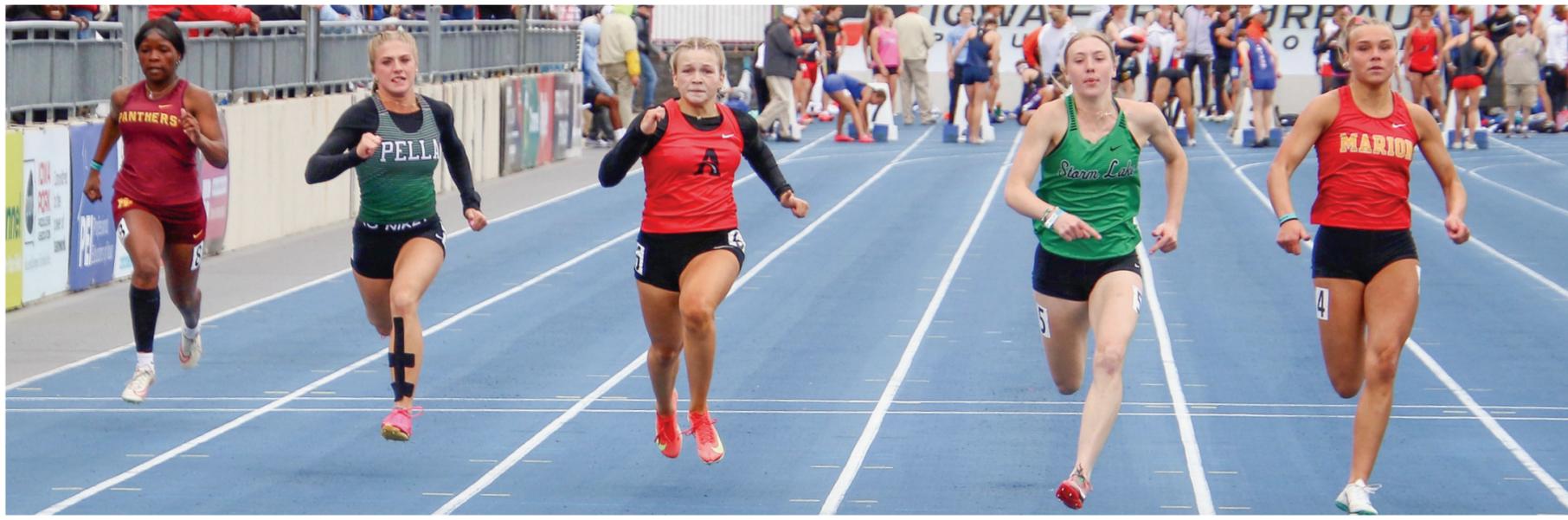
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Natalie Johnson of Algona crossed the finish line with a clocking of 7.83 in the 60-meter dash to place third at the Class 3A IATC state indoor track meet in Ames on Thursday. File photo by Jim Gale

Johnson takes third in 60-meter dash at Ames

By Greg Grabianowski
Sports Editor

AMES—Natalie Johnson placed third in the 60-meter dash in 7.83 to highlight the performances of the Algona Bulldog girls' track squad at the Class 3A IATC state indoor track meet held on Thursday, March 12.

The red-and-black ended up in 20th place overall in the team standings with nine points as Mount Vernon won state indoor title with a team score of 56 points.

Johnson also placed sixth in the 200-meter dash with her clocking of 26.79. Teammate Maya Lentz finished ninth in the long jump for the Bulldogs with

a leap of 15' 9¼".

Placing 10th for Algona was Jada Roberts in the high jump at 4' 11"; the 4 x 800-meter relay crew of Charli Dodds, Chelsey Vicente-Gomez, Regan Jensen and Macy Knapp in 10:33.33 along with the 4 x 100-meter relay unit of Lillian Allie, Alissa Engel, Lentz and Johnson with a time of 53.53.

Knapp finished in 14th place in the 800-meter run in 2:21.02 as Sienna Fehr was 25th in the 60-meter hurdles with a clocking of 10.68 and was 31st in the high jump with her best jump of 4' 5".

Class 3A Girls IATC State Indoor Meet Final Team Standings—1. Mount Vernon 56; 2. Mount Pleasant 44; 3. ADM 41; 4. MOC 38; 5. Marion 37; 6. Pella 32; 7. North Polk 31.5; 8. West Delaware 29; 9. Glenwood 24; 10. Washington 22; 11. Clear Creek-Amana 21; 11.

Gilbert 21; 13. Bondurant-Farrar 20; 14. Waverly-Shell Rock 19; 15. Grinnell 18; 16. Fort Madison 16; 17. Decorah 15; 17. Newton 15; 19. Burlington 10; 20. Algona 9; 21. Boone 7; 22. Oskaloosa 6; 22. Winterset 6; 24. Atlantic 5; 24. Benton Community 5; 24. Creston 5; 24. Center Point-Urbana 5; 24. Solon 5; 24. Williamsburg 5; 30. Carlisle 3.5; 31. Bishop Heelan 4; 31. Cedar Rapids Xavier 4; 31. South Tama 4; 34. Des Moines Christian 2; 34. Harlan 2; 36. Vinton-Shellsburg 1

Meet Results

Shot Put—1. Kylee Hill Burlington 46' 9¼"
High Jump—1. Reese Wagner, North Polk 5' 5"; 10. Jada Roberts, Algona 4' 11"; 31. Sienna Fehr, Algona 4' 5"
Long Jump—1. Aiden Gosselink, Grinnell 18' 1½"; 9. Maya Lentz, Algona 15' 9¼"
Sprint Medley Relay—1. Mount Pleasant 1:50.80
4 x 800-Meter Relay—1. Mount Vernon 9:44.06; 10. Algona (Charli

Dodds, Chelsey Vicente-Gomez, Regan Jensen, Macy Knapp) 10:33.33
400-Meter Dash—1. Caliana Whitaker, Mount Vernon 57.10
1,500-Meter Run—1. Natalie Anderson, MOC 4:49.24
60-Meter Hurdles—1. Elise Coglon, ADM 8.99; 25. Fehr 10.68
60-Meter Dash—1. Kaleigh Tosker, MOC 7.71; 3. Natalie Johnson, Algona 7.83 (prelims, 2nd, 7.84)
800-Meter Run—1. Avery Fedler, Mount Pleasant 2:21.02; 14. Knapp, Algona 2:31.02
200-Meter Dash—1. Whitaker, Mount Vernon 25.18; 6. Johnson, Algona 26.79
4 x 60 Shuttle Hurdle Relay—1. West Delaware 38.90
4 x 100-Meter Relay—1. Marion 50.44; 10. Algona (Lillian Allie, Alissa Engel, Lentz, Johnson) 52.53
3,000-Meter Run—1. Evelyn Moeller, Mount Vernon 9:39.26
4 x 400-Meter Relay—1. West Delaware 4:04.75



Algona's Max Nevitt tossed the shot put 56' 3¾" to place first at the Class 3A IATC state indoor meet in Ames on Thursday, March 12. File photo by C.J. Eilers

Algona boys track team takes third at 3A state indoor meet

By Greg Grabianowski
Sports Editor

AMES—There are some high expectations coming into the 2026 season for the Algona Bulldog boys' track team. They did not disappoint in their first indoor meet of the season in Ames on Thursday, March 12.

The red-and-black finished in third place at the Class 3A IATC state indoor meet with a team total of 58 points. Pella edged Gilbert 63.5-63 for the state indoor meet title. The Bulldogs competed in 11 events with all of them ending up in the top 10.

Algona won a pair of events on Thursday as Max Nevitt won the shot put with a toss of 56' 3¾" as did the distance medley relay group of Tate Garman, Levi Walker, Tyler Bradley and Gavin Weber in 3:37.78.

Weber took second in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:01.92 while both Will Weichert in the 60-meter dash in 7.01 and Weber in the 1,600-meter run with a clocking of 4:24.18 placed third for the Bulldogs.

Weichert was fifth in the 200-meter dash in 22.71 as both Garman in the 60-meter dash with a time of 7.15 and the 4 x 100-meter relay quartet of Dawson Elsbecker, Weichert, Walker and Garman in 44.36 finished in sixth place.

Garman ended up in seventh place for Algona in the 200-meter dash with a clocking of 22.95 as Elsbecker placed 10th in the long jump with a leap of 19' 1¼".

Class 3A Boys IATC State Indoor Track Meet Final Team Standings—1. Pella 63.5; 2. Gilbert 63; 3. Algona 58; 4. ADM 49; 5. Clear Creek-Amana 44; 6. Central Decatur 29; 7. Benton Community 27; 7. Decorah 27; 9. Ballard 25; 10. MOC 24; 11. Bishop Heelan 15; 11. Glenwood 15; 13. South Tama 13; 13. Winterset 13; 15. Fairfield 12; 15. Vinton-Shellsburg 12; 15. Washington 12; 15. Waverly-Shell Rock 12; 19. Fort Madison 11; 19. Newton 11; 21. Bondurant-Farrar 10.5; 22. Carlisle 9; 23. North Polk 9; 24. Storm Lake 5; 24. Williamsburg 5; 26. Grinnell 4; 27. Des Moines Christian 3; 28. West Delaware 2; 29. Knoxville 1

Meet Results

Shot Put—1. Max Nevitt, Algona 56' 3¾"; 3. Will Limbaugh, Algona 53' 4¼"
High Jump—1. Eli Patterson, Benton Community 6' 7"
Long Jump—1. Albear Van Xee, MOC 21' 8¼"; 10. Dawson Elsbecker, Algona 19' 11¼"
Distance Medley Relay—1. Algona (Tate Garman, Levi Walker, Tyler Bradley, Gavin Weber) 3:37.78
4 x 800-Meter Relay—1. Decorah 8:08.94
400-Meter Dash—1. Jace Ortner, Ballard 50.47
1,600-Meter Run—1. Logan Bleich, Gilbert 4:14.67; 3. Weber, Algona 4:24.18
60-Meter High Hurdles—1. Tay Seals, Clear Creek-Amana 7.79
60-Meter Dash—1. Seals Clear Creek-Amana 6.87; 3. Will Weichert, Algona 7.01 (prelims, 4th, 7.03; 6. Garman 7.15 (prelims, 8th, 7.10)
800-Meter Run—1. Carson Squiers, Gilbert 2:00.43; 2. Weber, Algona 2:01.92
200-Meter Dash—1. Zane Johnson, ADM 21.90; 5. Weichert, Algona 22.71; 7. Garman, Algona 22.95
4 x 60-Meter Shuttle Hurdle Relay—1. Pella 32.54
4 x 100-Meter Relay—1. Pella 43.81; 6. Algona (Weichert, Elsbecker, Walker, Garman) 44.36
3,200-Meter Run—1. Canaan Dunham, Pella 9:12.27
4 x 400-Meter Relay—1. Bishop Heelan 3:28.76

Allie Fehr finishes third in high jump at 1A state indoor

AMES—Senior Allie Fehr cleared 5' 1" to place third in the high jump to highlight the performances of the West Bend-Mallard Wolverine girls' track squad at the Class 1A IATC girls' state indoor meet on Friday, March 13.

The purple-and-gold finished in 26th place in the final standings with six points. Council Bluffs St. Albert won the state indoor title with a team total of 48 points.

Maddie Fehr ended up in 12th place in the 200-meter dash with a time of 28.25 and was 14th in the 60-meter dash in 8.45 as did Allie Fehr in the 400-meter dash with a clocking of 1:06.59.

Maddie Fehr finished in 16th place in the long jump with a best of 13' 6" while the Wolverines' 4 x 100-meter relay quartet of Maddie Fehr, Mia Lowe, Mckenna Crawmer and Allie Fehr placed 23rd in 57.75.

Bishop Garrigan competed in two events with a pair of athletes competing on Friday in Ames. Julia Swift ended up in 14th place in the 1,500-meter run with a time of 5:23.37 while teammate Avery Culbertson took 20th place in the shot put with a toss of 28' 10½".

12; 18. East Marshall 11; 19. Lake Mills 10; 19. Lynnville-Sully 10; 19. Mason City Newman 10; 19. Woodbine 10; 23. IKM 9; 24. AGWSR 7; 24. Riceville 7; 26. Lisbon 6; 26. Melcher-Dallas 6; 26. West Bend-Mallard 6; 29. St. Edmond 5; 30. Colfax-Mingo 4; 30. Lenox 4; 32. Adair Casey/Guthrie Center 3; 32. BCLUW 3; 32. Earlham 3; 32. Griswold 3; 32. Saint Ansgar 3; 37. Akron-Westfield 2; 37. English Valley 2; 37. Lawton-Bronson 2; 40. Coon Rapids-Bayard 1; 40. Iowa Valley 1; 40. Logan-Magnolia 1

Meet Results

Shot Put—1. Anna Hadley, Pekin 42' 4"; 20. Avery Culbertson, Bishop Garrigan 28' 10½"
High Jump—1. Aubree Shields, Mount Ayr 5' 3"; 3. Allie Fehr, West Bend-Mallard 5' 1"
Long Jump—1. Ella Whitney, Wayne 17' 3¼"; 16. Maddie Fehr, West Bend-Mallard 13' 6"
Sprint Medley Relay—1. CAM 1:54.39
4 x 800-Meter Relay—1. Madrid 10:17.93
400-Meter Dash—1. Alaina Gourley, Danville 58.41; 14. Allie Fehr, West Bend-Mallard 1:06.59
1,500-Meter Run—1. Lili Denton, Council Bluffs St. Albert 4:42.29; 14. Julia Swift, Bishop Garrigan 5:23.37
60-Meter Hurdles—1. Lana Alley, Fremont Mills 8.97
60-Meter Dash—1. Rya Scott, Hillcrest Academy 8.97; 14. Maddie Fehr, West Bend-Mallard 8.45
800-Meter Run—1. Gourley, Danville 2:26.51
200-Meter Dash—1. Emma Reynolds, Mount Ayr 26.35; 12. Maddie Fehr, West Bend-Mallard 28.25
4 x 60-Meter Shuttle Hurdle Relay—1. Fremont Mills 39.04
4 x 100-Meter Relay—1. West Hancock 51.87; 23. West Bend-Mallard (Maddie Fehr, Mia Lowe, Mckenna Crawmer, Allie Fehr) 57.75
3,000-Meter Run—1. Chloe Glosser, Pekin 10:00.64
4 x 400-Meter Relay—1. Council Bluffs St. Albert 4:10.78



Allie Fehr of West Bend-Mallard cleared the bar at 5' 1" in the high jump to finish in third place at the IATC Class 1A state indoor track meet on Friday, March 13 at Ames. File photo by Beau Jergent