

Upcoming Sports Schedule

Tanager Golf
Tanager Tennis
Tanager Baseball

All Day May 23-24
All Day May 20
5 p.m. May 20

State Tourney
State Tourney
Region 1B

at The Bluffs, Vermillion
at Sioux Falls
at Beresford

BLUFFS BULLETIN

THUNDERSTORMS KEEP WELL OFF COURSE

Mother Nature is still not cooperating with the WELL. Thunderstorms kept the ladies off the course May 11, but didn't stop a few from having some fun. Six ladies participated in a wild game of 31. Jennifer Steele came out the winner (again). Looking forward to blue skies and warm temps next week.

SENIORS PARTICIPATION AT 24

On May 10, the seniors had the best turn out this season. The format of the day was match play. The best score of the day was a 36 turned in by Rex Huska, Pat Boyle and Elmer Mount. Their team was three up in the match. The second best score was a 37, which put their team two up in the match. This three-man team was made up of Rod Tieman, Ray Lynn and Bob Lund.

An 18-foot birdie putt was recorded on this card at hole #8, but no one on the team recorded who got the credit for the putt. Another team with a 37 was Bob Bowker, Vern Holter and Cleland Cook. They defeated their opponents up five. The final match with a 40 was the team of Max Andersen, Gary Prasek and Fritz Bartels. Their margin of victory was up 1.

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Baseball playoffs start today

By Parker Knox
Sportswriter

Vermillion's first game of the high school baseball playoffs is scheduled for 5 p.m. today (Friday) at Beresford.

The winner of that contest will face the winner of the Dakota Valley-Bon Homme game for the Region 1B Eastern Division title and the right to advance to the overall regional title game against the Western Division winner. The eventual regional champion advances to the state semifinals on Memorial Day in Flandreau.

The Tanagers, taking the No. 3 seed into their game against the No. 2 Watchdogs, at least know they are capable of beating the power-hitting Beresford club. Vermillion took it to the 'Dogs by an 11-5 count early last week after Beresford won an earlier game by a 5-1 score.

Vermillion finished the abbreviated regular season with a 5-7 record with five other games cancelled because of weather conditions.

VHS golfers place 2nd in regionals

By Parker Knox
Sportswriter

Vermillion's defending state "A" girls golf champions are going back to the state tournament, and this year they won't have far to go.

The Tanagers finished second at the Region 2A tournament at The Bluffs course in Vermillion on Monday, earning a team berth at the state meet as one of the region's top three teams. They will be back on the same course Monday and Tuesday as the state "A" tournament is played there.

Sioux Falls Christian took the regional team championship home Monday with a score of 336, 20 strokes better than the runner-up Tanagers at 356. Canton was the third state-qualifying team with a 362 score. However, fourth-place Elk Point-Jefferson, because four of its golfers finished individually among the top 28, also gets to compete for the team title at the state tournament. The Huskies had a 376 team count Monday.

Other teams cores were Harrisburg 397, West Central 402, Dakota Valley 409, Lennox 423, Beresford 457 and Tea area 514.

Canton's Kylie Gaughenbaugh with a 77 was the regional medalist, a shot better than EPJ's Kelsey Leif's 78 and two ahead of Dakota Valley's Shyler Funck and Christian's Abby Perrenoud, both with 79s.

Vermillion's Kelly Amundson tied for seventh place with a round of 85. Ellen Brown was ninth with an 86, Brooke Schwasinger tied for 12th place at 92, Kenzie Huska tied for 14th at 94, and Allison Heine was 24th with a 99.

In their final regular-season dual last Friday the Tanagers came up with a team score of 404 at Yankton, but the Gazelles were better at 367. Tanager varsity scores were 99s for Heine and



Amundson in fifth place, 101 for Brown in seventh and 105 for Lindsay Robinet in the eighth spot.

In the JV dual at Yankton the Gazelles had a 431-450 advantage over their Tanager counterparts. Schwasinger was second, however, with a 106. Huska was sixth with a 111 card, Elly Miller seventh at 115 and Josie Huber eighth at 118.

Sioux Falls Christian, Vermillion and Canton had the same 1-2-3 team finish at last Thursday's Harrisburg Invitational as they did at Monday's regional. Christian's advantage over the Tanagers was only six shots, however, 352-358, and the C-Hawks were at 361. Seven other schools also competed there.

LEFT: The Tanagers' Allison Heine tees off to begin play on the final, 18th hole of Monday's Region 2A tournament at The Bluffs in Vermillion. The Tanagers' second place finish earned them a team berth at the state meet, scheduled at The Bluffs on Monday and Tuesday.
(Photo by David Lias)

BELOW: Members of the Tanager golf team, which placed second in the State A Regional Tournament held Monday at The Bluffs in Vermillion, are Kelly Amundson, Allison Heine, Coach Kirk Hogen, Ellen Brown, McKenzie Huska and Brooke Schwasinger.
(Photo courtesy of Cindy Johnson Brown)



Brown and Amundson tied for sixth place with 87s. Heine tied for ninth with an 89. Schwasinger tied for 13th with a 95. Huska tied for 15th with a 96.

Madison, S.F. next stops for track qualifiers

By Parker Knox
Sportswriter

If the regional track meet went off as scheduled Thursday at Lennox, all is in readiness for next week's state track meets on Friday and Saturday, May 27-28.

Class "A" participants, including Vermillion's qualifiers, will go to Madison on Friday and join the other classes for the final day Saturday at Howard Wood Field in Sioux Falls.

The Tanagers and fellow Big 8 Conference athletes concluded their regular-season schedules Monday when the conference held its championship meet at Madison. It had been postponed from last Thursday because of - what else? - the weather.

Madison swept boys and girls divisions of the Big 8 meet. On the girls' side the Lady Bulldogs were followed by West Central, Harrisburg, Vermillion in fourth place with 31 points and Lennox. The boys' standings showed West Central, Lennox, Harrisburg and Vermillion with 28 team points trailing Madison in that order.

Vermillion claimed four individual conference champions. Blair Gilkyson won the 1600-meter run in a time of 5:46.5. Mackenzie Huber captured pole vault honors with a best jump of 8'0". Beth Szymonski won the shot put at a distance of 35'0". In boys' events Will Mart was the discus champion at 145'8".

The Tanagers' boys 1600-meter relay team also won its event in a 3:31.4 clocking.

Tanager tennis at state

By Parker Knox
Sportswriter

The spring weather is determined to have the last word when it comes to the high school tennis season.

The state tournament began in Sioux Falls Thursday and is set to run through Saturday, but the forecast of at least four days of rain is bound to send the tournament indoors and cause the South Dakota High School Activities Association officials some major rescheduling headaches.

Vermillion's tennis players are among the athletes in Sioux Falls for the tournament, which will bring the season to an end. The Tanagers, accustomed to foul weather all spring, had their last regular-season dual at Madison last Saturday cancelled because of the prospects of another cold, rainy day.

The team did get in one of its scheduled matches last week, but points

were very difficult to come by last Thursday on a chilly, breezy, gray day in Sioux Falls. The Tanagers lost to Lincoln, 9-0.

S.F. LINCOLN 9, VHS 0 Singles

1. Wes McBride(L)-Collin Noldner 0-6, 0-6.
2. Ethan Druin(L)-Jared Hofer 0-6, 1-6.
3. James May(L)-Jonah Snyder 2-6, 0-6.
4. Camden Raizola(L)-Alec Hoahr 0-6, 0-6.
5. David Day(L)-Ryan Wood 0-6, 0-6.
6. Nate Samudzi(L)-Dan Shultz 0-6, 0-6.

Doubles

1. McBride/Raizola(L)- Noldner/Hofer 2-6, 0-6.
2. Druin/Day(L)-Hoahr/Wood 0-6, 0-6.
3. May/Samudzi(L)-Snyder/Shultz 0-6, 1-6.

SD finishes 2nd at Great West Outdoor Championships

South Dakota's 4 x 100 men's relay set a new school record on its way to a win to help the Coyotes finish second at the Great West Conference Outdoor Championship Saturday in Orem, UT. The Coyote men were edged by Utah Valley, 207-206 for the title, while the Coyote women also finished second with 221 points.

Senior Jasmine Mosley (Bellevue, NE) received the Most Outstanding Performance Award on the women's side after winning three events at the championship. She set a new school record in winning the hammer throw, set a new personal best in winning the

discus and also captured the shot put championship.

Junior Emma Erickson (Gayville) added two more conference titles to her resume with victories in the 800 and 1,500 meter events, while sophomore Alexa Duling (Gregory) and junior Kenna Wolter (Santa Maria, CA) each won events for the Coyote women.

In addition to the 4 x 100 relay win, the Coyote men also got a win from senior Tane Owens (Pierre), who shattered his previous personal best to win the pole vault.

The Coyote men's 4 x 100 relay, consisting of sophomore Michael

Burrus (Papillion, NE), sophomore Brandon Kovash (Harrisburg), junior Jared Clement (LeMars, IA) and sophomore Matt Kerswill (Schofield, WI), set a new record at 40.79, edging the previous record of 40.80 set in 2002. It is the fastest time in the state of South Dakota history.

Kerswill won the men's 100 meters at 10.50, with Burrus taking third at 10.66, Kovash fourth at 10.78 and Clement fifth at 10.82. Kerswill ran a time of 10.46 in the prelims on Friday, which was the second-fastest time

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