Bradley Highlights Chieftain Performance at North Crawford

The Riverdale track and field teams traveled to North Crawford last Tuesday to compete in the North Crawford Invite. The girls placed sixth and the boys were seventh in the eleven team meet.

The highlight of the meet for the Chieftains was a big throw from Cassie Bradley. Her toss of 40'6" in the shot put bested the rest of the field by ten feet. The throw currently ranks Bradley fourth in the state in the event. Bradley also finished third in the discus. Other medalists for the Chieftains included Paige Fradette winning the high jump and Hannah Hanson finishing third in the 100 hurdles. Also scoring team points were the 4x200 relay of McKenzie Couey, Fradette, Emily Kuester, and Hanson (4th), Couey with a personal best finishing sixth in the 800, the 4x100 relay of Alexus Konkol, Sierra Kuckkahn, Morgan Watson, and Elisha Gerber (7th), and Kayla Frazier with an eighth place finish in long jump.

On the boys' side, the meet got off to a good start with the 4x800 relay of Montana Lins, Brian Mathews, Mitchell Shallwani, and Nolan Garoutte crossing first. The race remained tight until an aggressive first lap by Lins opened up a gap that Shallwani made sure would stand. Mitchell added a strong showing in the 3200, finishing third. Montana also added a fourth place finish in the triple jump. The 4x200 relay of Nick Wiederholt, Garoutte, William Roen, and Mike Hanson also medaled, finishing third overall. Hanson had a great all around meet, scoring team points in all four of his events. In addition to the relay, he added sixth place finishes in the long jump and discus along with a seventh place finish in the shot put. Rounding out the scoring for the boys was the 4x100 relay of Anthony Bart, Lukas Swaziek, Micah Arellano, and Scout Savage that finished eighth.

The Chieftains had a split squad on Monday. Some of the team traveled to the Prairie du Chien Relays while the majority went to the Lee Griffin Invitational at Kickapoo. Results were not available in time for publication.