

# 'Winner' Krogman Leads Class B Boys' All-State Squad

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RAPID CITY — The term gets thrown around in sports an awful lot, but it's rarely more apt than it is for White River guard Wyatt Krogman.

"He's a winner," White River head coach Eldon Marshall said, and the numbers certainly back him up.

Krogman, a Black Hills State commit, has started at the point for the Tigers boys basketball team for four years and was a major contributor off the bench as an eighth-grader. Over that five-year span, Krogman helped lead the Tigers to a 117-13 record, three Class B state championships and two runner-up finishes.

"He just loves to play and he's had those two older brothers, so it kind of runs in the family," Marshall said of Krog-

man and his brothers Jake and Louie. "I think those guys might have been pretty tough on him growing up, but it's paid off in the long run. He loves to compete and he loves to play."

Krogman, a three-time Class B all-state first-team selection, heads up the 2013 South Dakota Basketball Coaches Association Class B all-state team after leading White River to its fifth state championship and averaging 17.8 points, 7.2 assists and 3.4 steals per game.

"More than anything, he's a great person. Great kid, very coachable, good student, always there and does whatever is asked of him. He knows what he needs to do to help the team," Marshall said. "He puts the team first and that's always huge when you've got a point guard on the floor with those qualities."

Another guard with winning qualities

who made the first team for the second straight year is James Valley Christian's Adam Hofer. Hofer, a Dakota State commit, averaged 23.2 points per outing and was named the Spirit of Su award winner at the Class B state tournament. He is the Vikings' all-time leading scorer with 1,839 points.

"Adam is one of the hardest-working players I've ever coached and his intensity in practice and during the off-season has made him the player he is today," JVC head coach Darwin Hofer said. "Adam leads by example on and off the court for his teammates and his basketball knowledge and leadership in practice and during games has been a major reason for the success of our team for the last few seasons."

Hofer's teammate, 6-foot-4 forward Nathan Wedel, was also named to the first team this season after averaging 17.3

points and 7.4 rebounds per game.

"Nathan's hard work and desire to improve has really made him a standout player," Darwin Hofer said. "Nathan has the ability to play all five positions on the court in every game. He can handle the ball, shoot 3s, slash to the basket and post up. His rebounding and ability to defend in the post, wing and point guards makes him such a versatile player. His strength is that he causes match-up problems for our opponents."

Very few players in South Dakota caused as many problems for opponents as Dupree guard Nate Widow. The 6-foot senior averaged a Class B-best 25 points per game and scored 1,157 in three years with the Tigers.

"Nate is a player that makes his teammates better," Dupree head coach Jim Hood said. "He is a team player, a great

student of the game and when he goes, our team goes. He's also very coachable."

The fifth member of the first team is Canistota guard Alex Robertson. The 5-9 senior was a second-team selection last season as a junior and averaged 16.5 points and 5.1 assists per game.

The members of the second team are Langford sophomore Bo Fries, White River senior Joe Cameron, Harding County senior Skyler Floyd, Viborg-Hurley senior Trevor Jacobsen and Centerville sophomore Seamus O'Malley.

Third team selections are Leola/Frederick senior Brian Sumption, Viborg-Hurley senior Andrew Hora, Canistota senior Cody Bunger, Faith senior Cody Trainor and Kimball/White Lake senior Jesse Taylor.

Bunger and Taylor are repeat third-team selections from last season.

# YHS Wins 10 Events At Home Opener

Track & Field:  
 Gazelles Win  
 Eight Titles In Tri  
 With Washington,  
 S.C. East

After three meets inside the cozy confines of the DakotaDome, the Yankton track and field teams took to the familiar outdoor scene at Williams Field for a Tuesday triangular with Sioux Falls Washington and Sioux City East.

Though no team scores were kept, Yankton combined to win 10 events on the day — eight by the girls.

The Gazelles swept the distance races, with Whitlee Larson taking first in the 800 (2:25.5), Annie Kruse in the 1600 (5:18.5) and Savannah Woods in the 3200 (12:02.5).

Kelsey Fitzgerald was a double-winner for Yankton after winning titles in the high jump (5-0) and triple jump (33-9).

Also winning titles for the Gazelles were Danielle Beckmann in the 200 (27.4) — ahead of teammate Jessica Wirth — as well as Hailey Luken in the 100 hurdles (16.0) and Meggie Steiner in the pole vault (7-6).

On the boys' side, Washington had the top time or mark in 14 events.

Yankton had two individual champions, with Brice Cowman in the 1600 (4:34.5) and Casey Skillingstad in the pole vault (12-0).

In sophomore action, Yankton's Adrienne Kusek finished first in the discus (90-11) and shot put (29-4) for the Gazelles. For the Bucks, Joseph Kelly won the pole vault (8-0) and Nick Raab won the shot put (42-0).

Yankton returns to the track on Saturday for the Brandon Valley Invite, starting at 10:30 a.m. in Brandon.



Hailey Luken, left, of Yankton clears the final hurdle in the girls' 100-meter hurdles at Tuesday's home track triangular with Sioux Falls Washington and Sioux City East at Williams Field. Luken won the event, one of 10 event victories for Yankton on the day.

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## Tanager Golfers Top Madison

VERMILLION — Led by two golfers at 90 or better, the Vermillion Tanagers beat Madison by 24 strokes in their season-opening girls' golf dual Tuesday at The Bluffs Golf Course.

Brooke Schwasinger shot an 85 and teammate Allison Heine carded a 90 for the Tanagers, who shot 373 as a team. Madison finished at 397.

Vermillion also won the JV division, 255-289, led by Kyleigh Moran's nine-hole score of 52.

### VARSAITY DIVISION

TEAM SCORES: Vermillion 373, Madison 397  
 INDIVIDUAL: 1, Brooke Schwasinger V 85; 2, Allison Heine V 90; 3, MacKenzie Robinson M 91; 4, Sami Langford M 93; 5, Kate Brackwell V 96; 6, Taylor Bird M 101; 7, Ely Miller V 102; 8, Kayla Slammer V 104; 9, Mariah Palmquist M 112; 10, Maci Howard M 132

### JUNIOR VARSITY DIVISION

TEAM SCORES: 1, Vermillion 255, Madison 289  
 INDIVIDUAL (9 holes): 1, Kyleigh Moran V 52; 2, Audrey Miller V 53; 3, Katie Herrera V 56; 4, Emily Schmitz V 56; 5, Meghan Pardy M 57; 6, Kelsi Herrera V 58; 7, Allison Odens V 60; 8, Maci Howard M 67; 9, Raine Rook M 79; 10, Jordan Fostvedt V 81; 11, Katie Herrera V 83; 12, Harley Koenig M 86

## Darvish Just Misses Perfect Game As Rangers Blank Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Yu Darvish was one out from a perfect game when Marwin Gonzalez grounded a clean single through the pitcher's legs, and the Texas Rangers beat the Houston Astros 7-0 on Tuesday night.

The celebrated right-hander from Japan struck out 14 and appeared to be in complete control before Gonzalez smacked the first pitch up the middle. Darvish was unable to get his glove down in time and the ball skittered into center field well beyond a desperate dive by shortstop Elvis Andrus.

Darvish put up his hands — almost like, "Oh well, it happens" — after the single. The Texas infielders immediately came to the mound, and manager Ron

Washington joined them.

Washington patted Darvish on the chest and then signaled for a reliever. A crowd that included lots of Rangers fans cheered Darvish as he walked off.

He sat on the bench to watch the rest of the game, and took part in the congratulations line when it ended.

Darvish became the first pitcher to lose a perfect game with two outs in the ninth inning since Armando Galarraga on June 2, 2010. Of course, the Detroit pitcher was denied only because of an infamous missed call at first base by umpire Jim Joyce, who later admitted he blew the play.

On the second full day of the major league season, Darvish nearly picked up

right where baseball left off last year, when there were a record three perfect games, thrown by Philip Humber, Matt Cain and Felix Hernandez.

Darvish arrived in the majors last year with much fanfare, having already been a five-time All-Star and two-time MVP in Japan. The Rangers paid more than \$107 million to get him for five seasons.

The 6-foot-5 righty quickly settled in with Texas, becoming an All-Star last year on the way to going 16-9 with 221 strikeouts. He also once flirted with perfection, retiring the first 17 batters at Kansas City on Sept. 3.

If Darvish had been able to finish the job Tuesday, it would have been the earliest perfect in history.

## YHS Splits Pair In Boys' Tennis Opener

SIOUX FALLS — The Yankton Bucks tennis team opened its 2013 season with a split of two matches Friday in Sioux Falls.

Brandon Valley edged Yankton 5-4, but the Bucks responded by beating Sioux Falls Roosevelt 5-4.

Jason Shindler won both of his singles matches for Yankton and teamed with John Fanta to go 2-0 in doubles action as well.

In junior varsity action, Yankton's Greg Hauer went 3-0 on the day.

### BRANDON VALLEY 5, YANKTON 4

SINGLES: Billy Trevillyan BV def. Luke Rookne 7-5, 7-6 (7-4); Drake Van Egeom BV def. Ben Jensen 6-3, 6-0; Brandon Frick YHS def. Tanner Wenkamp 3-6, 7-5 (10-3); Jason Shindler YHS def. Austin Sadler 7-6 (7-4), 6-3; John Fanta YHS def. Cooper Daezler 4-6, 6-2 (10-7); Nathan Mutchelknaus BV def. Paul Fanta 6-1, 7-6 (7-2).

DOUBLES: Trevillyan-Sadler BV def. Rookne-Paul Fanta 6-3, 2-6 (10-8); Van Egeom-Wenkamp BV def. Jensen-Frick 6-2, 6-2; Shindler-John Fanta YHS def. Daezler-Mutelcheknaus 6-3, 6-4.

### YANKTON 5, SIOUX FALLS ROOSEVELT 4

SINGLES: Luke Rookne YHS def. Logan Barr 6-2, 6-2; Cory Herbert SFR def. Ben Jensen 6-7 (7-5), 6-4 (10-3); Josh Jackson SFR def. Brandon Frick 6-4, 7-5; Jason Shindler YHS def. Jett Tlacek 6-3, 6-3; Kyle Lyons SFR def. John Fanta 6-2 (13-11); Paul Fanta YHS def. Logan McKenzie 6-3, 6-1.

DOUBLES: Barr-Jackson SFR def. Rookne-Paul Fanta 8-0; Jensen-Frick YHS def. Herbert-Lyons 8-5; Shindler-John Fanta YHS def. Tlacek-McKenzie 8-3.

## USD Splits With North Dakota

VERMILLION — South Dakota left fielder Katie Cochran delivered a walk-off single to win game one but the Coyotes lost a four-run lead in game two and split with North Dakota Tuesday at Nygaard Field. Scores went 4-3 and 9-8.

It was the first games of an 11-game homestand for the Coyotes (22-12), who played their first 32 games outside of Vermillion.

USD second baseman Matley Jones was 5-for-7 during the twin bill with two doubles and three RBIs. Right fielder Morgan Hancock was 3-for-7 and had a game-tying, two-run homer in the bottom of the sixth inning of game one. It was Hancock's fourth homer of the year. Teammate Yvon Minogue belted her fourth home run of the season in the first inning of game two.

Coyote pitcher Erica Denney surrendered her first runs in three starts, but pitched well enough to pick up her 13th win of the season. She had a season-high nine strikeouts against two walks and six hits in her complete-game effort.

North Dakota ace Emma Gronseth injured her pitching arm in the second inning of game one and did not return. Her replacement, Michelle Frank, struck out four in five innings, but a misplayed ground ball behind her led to three unearned runs that tied the game in the sixth. A leadoff double by Jones and Cochran's sharply hit ball up the middle in the seventh left Frank (3-10) with the loss.

Both teams scored four runs in the first inning of game two. Taylor Hansen's two-run double was the

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Crofton's Maria Wortmann fires the shot put during the girls' event at the Knox County Relays on Tuesday in Creighton, Neb. Wortmann won the shot put, helped the Warriors to first in the 400 relay, finished second in the discus and placed third in the 200-meter dash on the day, helping Crofton to a second place finish in the team standings, five points behind O'Neill St. Mary's

## St. Mary's Sweeps Knox County Invite

CREIGHTON, Neb. — St. Mary's scored boys' and girls' team victories at the Knox County Invite in Creighton on Thursday, defeating Crofton by just five points on the girls' side and outscoring runner-up Creighton in the boys' division.

On the girls' side, the Crofton Lady Warriors scored wins in nine events, including all three relays, but the depth of St. Mary's was just too much.

Mackenzie Wecker won both hurdle races for St. Mary's and also added a second-place effort in the pole vault.

For Crofton, Maria Wortmann won the shot put and was second in the discus. Dani Riesberg scored victories in the 100, 200 and 400 meter dashes and anchored the winning 400 meter relay team. Quinn Wragge won the 800 meter run in addition to running on both winning 1600 and 3200 meter relays squads while Allison Arens was victorious in the 3200 meter run and also ran on the 1600 and 3200 meter relay teams.

In the boys' division, St. Mary's had six different athletes win six different individual events.

Creighton's Cole Thomas won the 100 and 200 meter dashes while teammate Bronson Pahl claimed the 400 meter dash and 800 meter run. The pair also competed on Creighton's 1600 meter relay team that placed first.

For the Warriors, Alex Janssen scored the difficult distance double-victory, placing first in the 1600 and 3200 meter runs.

### Hartington Inv.

HARTINGTON, Neb. — The Hartington Cedar Catholic girls and Hartington boys started their seasons off right by winning team titles at the Hartington Invite on Tuesday.

On the girls' side, Cedar Catholic won event events to finish first with 176 total points. Pender was second at 116.

Winning titles for the Trojans were Alli Walter in the 100 (13.0), Rachel Loecker in the 3200

(13:38.9), Katelyn Dickes in the 300 hurdles (50.08), Lexi Steffen in the high jump (4-10) and Siera Becker in the pole vault (8-0).

The only double winner on the day was Wynot's Ashley Heine in the 400 and 800.

On the boys' side, Hartington had 206 total points thanks to 10 event wins. Pat Wortmann led the way with three individual titles, in the 800 (2:08.13), 1600 (5:02.26) and 3200 (11:12.87).

Also taking first for the hometown Wildcats were Nick Miller in the 100 (11.62), Joe Noecker in the 400 (54.02), Griffon Kalin in the 300 hurdles (44.63) and Eric Derickson in the high jump (5-10).

### Ethan-Parkston Early Bird

PARKSTON — The Ethan-Parkston boys' and Mount Vernon-Plankinton track and field teams won the Ethan-Parkston Early Bird track meet on Tuesday.

Jesse Thuringer helped capture the boys' crown for Ethan-

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