

Viborg-Hurley's Hora Named To Class B All-State Team



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Viborg-Hurley junior guard Abby Hora was named first-team all-state by the South Dakota Basketball Coaches Association and the South Dakota Sportswriters Association.

Junior Guard Averaged 24 Points Per Game

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Perfect — it's something every team strives to be, but very few actually accomplish the feat.

The Ethan girls basketball team completed a 26-0 season, capped off by winning the school's first-ever basketball title. The Rustlers defeated Sully Buttes 31-28 in the Class B state championship.

Darbi Gustafson was the leading force for Ethan and was selected to the Class B girls basketball all-state first team, which is chosen by the South Dakota Basketball Coaches and South Dakota Sportswriters Associations. Other first-teamers were Sanborn Central/Woonsock-

et's Myah Selland, Warner's Ashley Rozell, Sully Buttes' Chloe Lamb and Racquel Wientjes and Viborg-Hurley's Abby Hora.

Gustafson, a 6-foot-1 senior center, averaged 12.7 points, 4.5 rebounds and five assists per game this season. She was one of two seniors on the first team.

"Darbi is a really good basketball player," Ethan head coach Tom Young said after his team won the state title in March. "She has an immense amount of integrity, compassion and kindness for only her teammates, and I'm just so proud of her."

Headlining the first team was Selland, a 6-foot-2 sophomore guard. She garnered the most points in the voting. Selland led her team to a 16-7 record, averaging 21 points, 10.2 rebounds and 5.4 assists, 3.3 steals and 1.7 blocks per game.

"She faced a lot of good competition this season,"

said Sanborn Central/Woonsock co-head coach Tim McCain, whose team fell in the Region 6B game this season. "They would game plan to shut her down and she was still able to succeed. That says a lot about the desire she has to be great."

The Sully Buttes dynamic duo of Lamb and Wientjes turned a lot of heads this season. The sophomores, who were both all-tournament selections, led the Chargers to a second-place finish at state. Lamb, a 5-foot-10 guard, tallied 14.6 points, 9.6 rebounds and 1.8 assists per contest, while Wientjes, a 5-foot-10 guard, averaged 19.8 points, three rebounds and 4.7 assists.

Warner's Rozell was one of two first-team selections who didn't play in the state tournament this season in Huron, with Selland being the other. Rozell, a 6-foot-1 senior forward, led the Monarchs to a 20-3 record. Warner was

knocked out of postseason play in the Region 1B game by Summit.

Hora, a 5-foot-9 junior guard, led Viborg-Hurley to a fifth-place finish at the state tournament, where she was also an all-tournament selection. Hora averaged 24 points, 2.2 rebounds and 2.5 assists this season.

Six seniors make up the all-state second-team, including Highmore-Harold's McKenzee Zilberberg, De Smet's Rylie Osthus, Jones County's Madison Mathews, Corsica/Stickney's Hope Menning, Summit's Kalissa Pereboom and Herreid/Selby Area's Abbey Fjeldheim.

On the third team are Kimball/White Lake's Kelli Steffen, Ethan's Rachel Hawkins, Summit's Karissa Chamley, Lemmon's Katie Sackmann, McIntosh's Tia Baumberger and McLaughlin's McKenna Vetter.

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Throwers Shine For Crofton

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HARTINGTON, Neb. — Coach Justin Bossman calls it an "embarrassment of riches." Maria Wortmann, Monica Arens and Chelsea Wortmann call it helpful.

Put simply, the Crofton girls' track team is again rather deep in the throwing events.

The defending state champion Lady Warriors showcased that depth in their first meet of the season, Tuesday at the Hartington Cedar Catholic Invitational.

Maria Wortmann and Arens went 1-2, respectively, in the shot put, and 1-5 respectively in the discus, while Chelsea Wortmann finished seventh in the shot put and 10th in the discus.

Such production out of the gate wasn't necessarily a surprise, according to Bossman, Crofton's throws coach.

"It's one of those things where they're so experienced in state tournaments and state meets, that their heads are in the game," he said. "They're ready to go."

"You don't really have to push them, they push themselves."

Of the three, Maria Wortmann is the most experienced, as a senior. She was joined last season in both events by Arens, now a sophomore, and her first cousin Chelsea, now a junior.

"I try to teach them as much as I can," said Maria Wortmann, who came up one inch short of her personal best in the shot put (42-10 1/4).

"I'm an older girl, I want to help them."

And Wortmann knows all about receiving help from veteran throwers.

She watched her older sister, Laura, put together a standout career for the Lady Warriors, and now it's Maria serving as the leader for the group.

"You have three other girls sitting there who can help you," said Arens, who threw 37-5 3/4 in the shot put and 111-4 in the discus. "It's



LEFT: Crofton's Maria Wortmann competes in the girls' shot put finals at Tuesday's Hartington Cedar Catholic Invitational in Hartington, Nebraska. RIGHT: Hartington Cedar Catholic's James Kaiser competes in the boys' long jump at Tuesday's Cedar Catholic Invitational in Hartington, Nebraska. Kaiser won the event with a jump of 20-7 3/4.



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Kinneberg To Golf For MMC

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One of the top small-school golfers in South Dakota is headed to Mount Marty College.

Ty Kinneberg, who played in six state tournaments for Parkston, will attend MMC and play with the men's golf program for the Lancers, the institution announced on Tuesday.

Kinneberg was 12th at state in 2014, helping Parkston to a third place finish, and eighth in 2013 when the Trojans finished second at state.

"He's been a staple for us," said Parkston head coach Tyler Hockett, noting that Kinneberg was the only senior in this season's Class A tournament that played in six state tournaments. "He's an all-around athlete and the most coachable kid I've ever instructed. I'd love to fill a team with 10 Ty's, whatever the sport."

The athleticism of the 5-11 Kinneberg was one of the things that drew MMC men's golf coach Todd Schlimgen to the Trojan.

"He's a multi-sport athlete, a really athletic kid," Schlimgen said. "Now that he will get to focus on golf, his game will keep getting better."

Kinneberg's intelligence on the course was another factor that drew Schlimgen.

"Ty is a well-rounded player. He's good with irons or near the green," he said. "He knows how to play and how to stay out of trouble. He's a really intelligent golfer."

Hockett credits Kinneberg playing in the final group at state as a junior with spurring his growth on the course.

"He's a wise old man out there. He knows when to pick his spots to be aggressive," Hockett said.

Kinneberg, also a member of the National Honor Society at Parkston High School, plans to major in business administration at MMC. He will receive an Academic Merit Scholarship and a Scholastica Scholarship in addition to his golf scholarship.

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Kinneberg

Track: Crofton Girls Open Title Defense With Win

HARTINGTON, Neb. — The Crofton Lady Warriors kicked off their state track title defense with a first-place finish at Tuesday's Hartington Cedar Catholic Invitational in Hartington, Nebraska.

Crofton, last year's Class C state champion, won seven events and rolled up 117 total points. O'Neill St. Mary's was second with 107 points, followed in the top five by Hartington-Newcastle (93), Battle Creek (74.5) and Allen (58).

Maria Wortmann won a pair of events for Crofton, taking first in the discus (120-4) and shot put (42-10.25). Also for the Lady Warriors, Quinn Wragge won the 800 (2:34.8), Allison Arens won the 1600 (5:35.8) and Haley Arens was first in the 3200 (12:52.7). Crofton also had the top time in the 1600 relay and 3200 relay.

Mackenzie Wecker of O'Neill St. Mary's was a three-time champion, with first-place finishes in the 100 hurdles (16.94),

300 hurdles (52.1) and pole vault (9-6). Teammate Bridget Schneider won two sprints, the 100 (12.8) and 200 (28.1).

In other area finishes, Wynot's Courtney Arkfeld was first in the 400 (1:00.0), Allen's Gabby Sullivan won the high jump (5-3) and Hartington-Newcastle won the 400 relay (52.0).

On the boys' side, Battle Creek easily won the team title, with seven event titles and 154.5 total points. Hartington Cedar Catholic was second at 105, followed in the top five by Hartington-Newcastle (101), Crofton (59) and Allen (39).

Hartington-Newcastle won four events, highlighted by Brian Santiago in the 3200 (10:51.3), Griffon Kalin in the 300 hurdles (42.0) and Devren Sudbeck in the pole vault (11-10). For Cedar Catholic, Luke Burbach won the 800 (2:10.4) and James Kaiser won the long jump (20-7.75).

Crofton's Tyler Koch won the shot put

(44-5.5). Wynot's Austin Lange won the discus (133-11.5) and Allen's Tayler Kumm had the top time in the 1600 (4:55.0).

Gregory Inv.

GREGORY — The Andes Central-Dakota Christian girls, in the first year of a new co-op, captured first place at Tuesday's Gregory Invitational. Winner edged Todd County by two points for the boys' team title.

Depth was the key for the AC-DC girls, as they won only two events, Lydia Hansum in the long jump (16-3.5) and Brooke Deurmier in the triple jump (32-5.5).

Platte-Geddes won a pair of events, as Averi Tegethoff was first in the high jump (4-11) and Hallie Hallock was first in the shot put (37-8).

On the boys' side, Winner recorded 124 total points, just ahead of Todd County (122).

Leo Hopkins of AC-DC was first in the triple jump (39-6) and Carter Dykstra of Platte-Geddes won the long jump (20-6.5). Platte-Geddes also had the top time in the 800 relay and 1600 relay, with Dykstra running a leg in each one.

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Basketball: Six From Crofton Earn All-State Honors

OMAHA, Neb. — The four-time Class C2 champion Crofton Lady Warriors put two players on first team, one on second and three on the honorable mention list as the Nebraska Associated Press announced its All-State girls' basketball teams on Tuesday.

Seniors Allison Arens, a University of South Dakota basketball recruit, and

Quinn Wragge were each named to the first team. Sophomore Monica Arens earned second-team honors, as did Ponca senior Kianna Kramper. Breanna Allen, Kelsey Sanger and Maria Wortmann each earned honorable mention recognition in Class C2.

In Class D2, Wynot senior Jenna Heine earned first-team honors for the

Lady Blue Devils, who played in the state championship game for a sixth straight season. Teammates Courtney Arkfeld and Danielle Wieseler earned honorable mention recognition.

In Class D1, Allen's Gabby and Lindsey Sullivan, Creighton's Rebecca Eggerling and Emily Sorensen, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge's Ellie Arduser and

Audra Corbit, Randolph's Katelyn Backhaus and Elle Bermel, and Bloomfield's Sara Castaneda earned honorable mention recognition.

Also honored was USD recruit Jaycee Bradley. The 5-10 senior from Norfolk, who helped lead the Panthers to a runner-up finish in Class A, earned first-team honors.

Miami Rallies To Beat Temple

NEW YORK (AP) — Sheldon McClellan scored 12 of his 16 points in the second half, and short-handed Miami rallied to beat Temple 60-57 on Tuesday to reach the NIT championship game.

Already without point guard Angel Rodriguez, the Hurricanes lost center Tonye Jekiri to a concussion early on and trailed by 11 late in the first half.

The Owls' Quenton DeCosey was off on a potential tying 3-pointer at the buzzer as they went 0 for 15 from beyond the arc in the second half. The Hurricanes held Temple to 22.5 percent shooting overall after halftime.

After missing six of his first eight shots, McClellan hit two 3s in a row with about 8 minutes left to put Miami in front for good.

Owls freshman Obi Enechionya set career highs with 17 points and five blocks. But leading scorer Will Cummings, who had averaged 22 points in the NIT, shot just 3 for 15.

Rodriguez missed his third straight game because of a nagging wrist injury. Jekiri, who scored two early baskets, was inadvertently struck in the face just over six minutes in and did not return. The two had combined to average more than 20 points per game.

Miami faces Stanford or Old Dominion on Thursday, seeking its first NIT title. The Owls were the top seed in the NIT as the first team left out of the NCAA Tournament.

Golf: Crofton Wins Home Invite

CROFTON, Neb. — Crofton put three golfers in the top four to claim top honors in its home boys' golf invitational on Tuesday at Lakeview Golf Course.

Crofton finished at 353, 24 strokes better than Pierce. Lutheran High Northeast was third at 391.

Crofton's Brock Mueller earned medalist honors, shooting a 38 on the second nine to finish at 81, five strokes better than teammate Josh Goeden. Ponca's Tanner Perkins was third at 89, with Crofton's Brent Evans fourth at 90.

TEAM SCORES: Crofton 353, Pierce 377, Lutheran High Northeast 391, Ponca 403, Santee 451, Gayville-Volin 495

TOP 15: Brock Mueller, Crofton 81; Josh Goeden, Crofton 86; Tanner Perkins, Ponca 89; Brent Evans, Crofton 90; Jarod Rosenberg, Lutheran High NE 91; Matt Bruce, Pierce 91; Ethan Blecher, Pierce 92; Drew Fasse, Pierce 93; Josh Miller, Lutheran High NE 95; Justin Mueller, Crofton 96; Andy Lutz, Lutheran High NE 96; Zach Brenden, Pierce 101; Brady Krusemark, Ponca 101; Brady Pike, Santee 101; Casey Brentlinger, Ponca 103

Girls: DV 202, EPJ 212

ELK POINT — Dakota Valley's Mary High and Makenna Krysl had the only two scores under 50 on the day as the Panthers scored a 10-stroke victory over Elk Point-Jefferson in a girls' golf dual on Tuesday at The Pointe Golf Course in Elk Point.

High had the low round on the day, shooting a 43. Krysl shot a 49. Elk Point-Jefferson was led by Tori Johnson's 51.

TEAM SCORES: Dakota Valley 202, Elk Point-Jefferson 212
TOP 5: Mary High DV 43, Makenna Krysl DV 49, Tori Johnson EPJ 51, Hailey Brooks DV 52, Emma Dawdy EPJ 53

Lancers Split At Dakota State

MADISON — Dakota State rallied with two runs each in the sixth and seventh innings to win the nightcap 5-4 and deny Mount Marty a doubleheader sweep in non-conference baseball action on Tuesday at Flynn Field in Madison.

In the opener, Justin Miller had three hits as Mount Marty rallied from an early 3-0 deficit to claim an 8-6 victory.

Miller went 3-4 with a home run and three RBI. Ryan Buck doubled and singled. Derek Blumenstock also homered for MMC. Julian Cutolo had a double and three RBI. Alex Mueller doubled, and Zac Hollenback, Derrik Nelson and Nik Davis added hits for MMC.

For DSU, Brady Wauer and Jake Harris each had three hits. Dylan Deckert doubled for the Trojans.

Josh Teichroew picked up the win to improve to 3-2 on the season. Bryton Carlson tossed a scoreless

seventh for his third save. Anthony Martinez took the loss.

In the nightcap, MMC squandered a solid start from Derek Miller, who pitched five no-hit innings to open the game.

Jamie Jorgensen doubled and singled for two of Dakota State's four hits. Jordan Entrikin doubled and Richard Sternberg singled for the Trojans (7-22).

Nik Davis homered and Collin Peterson tripled for MMC. Bryton Carlson doubled and Cody Ulmer added a hit for the Lancers, who also had five hits.

Garrison Collier allowed on unearned run over three innings of work for the win. Justin Miller took the loss in relief of Derek Miller, who struck out five and allowed one unearned run in five innings of work.

MMC (19-12) returns to Great Plains Athletic Conference play on Thursday, traveling to Northwestern.