

School record falls at UNK Invite

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The opening of the track season always prompts questions about what level athletes will be setting as their base for the season.

Some of those questions were answered positively as the Gothenburg girls track team placed fourth at the University of Nebraska at Kearney Indoor Meet Saturday.

“We only took juniors and seniors because of freshman and sophomore meet limitations that we’re going to encounter this year,” Swede coach Steve Reeves said. “First meet, right out of the gate, we had some kids compete very, very well.”

Tiani Reeves, a junior, broke her own school record in the long jump by nearly four inches. Her winning jump of 18-11 beat the record she set at the state meet when she was a freshman.

She also won the triple jump with a distance of 38-3.

“Tiani had a good day,” the coach said.

Gothenburg’s 4x400 relay cruised to a nearly seven-second win with a time of 4:21.88. Members of the foursome include Regan Geiken, Reeves, Taylor Mroczek and Aryn Meisinger.

Geiken was a runner-up in the 400 with a time of 1:03.56.

“Regan really ran two nice quarters,” the coach said referring to the open 400 and the 4x400 relay.

Emily Franzen posted the other second place finish with a toss of 37-1 in the shot.

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The Swedes ranked fourth, with 48 points, among the nine Class B schools competing. The Holdrege Dusters breezed to the team championship with 142 points.

Gothenburg will compete in the Sidney Invitational Saturday.