

Drummonds Leads WHS At State Indoor Track

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The Watauga High boys and girls indoor track teams wrapped up the 2012-13 season Saturday at the North Carolina High School Athletic Association State Indoor Track & Field Championships at the JDL Fast Track in Winston-Salem, N.C..

Senior Taylor Drummonds was the only member of the Pioneers to score on Saturday. She finished in a fifth-place tie in the girls pole vault with an effort of ten feet. Kristen Lee of Wakefield won the state championship as she cleared the bar with a jump of 12-6. Alison Seramur finished 12th (8-6).

Drummonds finished 14th in the girls 55-meter hurdles in the preliminary round (8.84 seconds) and did not qualify for the finals; Hunter Roberts of Southwest Guilford won the state title in the 55 hurdles in 8.10 seconds. The girls 4x800 relay team (Madison Harman, Doria Kosmala, Kaitlyn Herman, Lily Weeks) finished tenth in 10:23.34; Charlotte-Providence won the state title in 9:37.43. Kosmala was 11th in the 1,000-meter run (3:13.66); Jennie Cunningham of Pinecrest won the state title in the 1,000 in 2:57.46. Harman, who qualified for the state meet in the 1,600-and 3,200-meter run, did not compete in those events on Saturday.

The boys 4x800 relay team (Bryan Brackney, Josh Anderson, Ryan Hellenbrand, Michael Holland) finished ninth in 8:27.21; Knightdale won the state 4x800 title in 8:01.07. Anderson finished 20th in the 1,600 (4:49:04); Bakri Abushouk of Cary won the state championship in the 1,000 in 2:32.73. Brackney was 15th in the 1,000 (2:46.70); Abushouk captured his second state title on the day by winning the 1,600 in 4:14.56.

Team wise, the WHS girls finished 32nd with 3.50 points; the WHS boys did not score. Wakefield won the girls state title; Knightdale won the boys state championship.