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Spring Sports Preview — THS Track

THS track: 'Stay healthy' and improve weekly



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Members of the Torrington High School girls track team include in back row, from left, Catie Reimer, Kaia Jacobson, Teryn Stokes, Wittni Bugher, Karlee Mathson, Callie Taylor, Trishell Pontarolo and Brooklyn Asmus. In front, from left, are Sophia Wilson, Ellis Mortimore, Esperanza Chavez, Illyana Ponce, Alejandra Felipe, Kendal Schmidt, Ryleigh Connelly and Grace Hibben.



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rington track program and summed up the team's goals, including peaking in May

TORRINGTON - The Tor-

rington High School track

team is gearing up for an

action-packed 2025 spring

season beginning with the Scottsbluff Invitational on

Both the boys and girls

teams are looking to snag

hardware in the postseason

and improve from last year's

The Lady Blazers clinched

second place at regionals in

2024 and went on to place

at regionals and ninth at

Head coach Russell Stien-

Saturday, March 29.

around the postseason:

"Stay healthy and get better each week to be focused in the month of May for regionals and state."

Sixteen athletes are returning to the Blazers and Lady Blazers track teams this year, along with a solid group of underclassmen.

Junior Brooklyn Asmus clinched gold in the 100-meters, 200-meters and 400-meters at state in 2024. Asmus set a new 3A class record and Torrington High School The Blazers finished fifth record in both the 100-meters and 200-meters, along with a school record in the 400-meters.

> Junior Trishell Pontarolo advanced to second place on the triple jump leaderboard at

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Seniors on the THS girls team include, from left, Teryn Stokes, Wittni Bugher, Karlee Mathson and Callie Taylor.

Spring Sports Preview - THS Track

THS Track: Torrington looks to peak in May



Members of the Torrington High School boys track team include in back row, from left, Brayden Hime, Zeek Yung, Gabe Posten, Aaraon Chavez, Brady Dagan, Colby Sandusky, Drew Kramer, Xavier Sanchez, Ace Heron and Tyler Nicolay. In front, from left, are Cason Morris, Brandt Eichenberger, Zade Olsen, Beau Martinez, Cruz Lopez, Anthony Sanchez, Brody Ringrose, Damien Smith and Ty Haeffelin.

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state in 2024 and placed eighth in the long jump.

In boys' jumping events, senior Evan Hellus captured fourth place in the long jump and fifth in the triple jump at state.

Senior Teryn Stokes finished fourth in the girls' shot put at state last year.

Junior Natalie Hawes took sixth place in the 100-meter hurdles at state in 2024 and seventh in the 300-meter hurdles.

The girls' 4x100-meter relay team – Hawes, Hurley, Asmus and Alyssa Wondercheck – pulled into first place at state the previous year to post a new 3A class record and Torrington school record.

Senior Jaycee Hurley shot put

snagged seventh place in the girls' 100-meter dash at the 2024 state meet.

Additional returners include:

Senior Tyler Nicolay – pole vault

Senior Brayden Hime – shot put and discus

Senior Callie Taylor – distance events

Sophomore Drew Kramer – triple jump and sprinting

Sophomore Ace Heron - sprinting

Sophomore Beau Martinez – hurdles and sprinting

Sophomore Ava Mattis – triple jump

Sophomore Kaia Jacobson

- discus

Sophomore Esperanza Chavez – pole vault

Sophomore Catie Reimer – shot put



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Seniors on the THS boys track team include, from left, Tyler Nicolay, Brayden Hime and Gabe Posten.

Spring Sports Preview — Southeast Track

Southeast track: 'dig deep' and improve daily

YODER – The Southeast High School Cyclones and Lady Cyclones are preparing for a run at regional and state hardware as the team enters the second week of practice for the 2025 season.

Southeast girls

The Lady Cyclones primary goal for 2025 is to "improve each day" at practice and meets during the season, coach Jeff Fullmer said.

"By the end of May, we hope to be peaking and have a great showing at the state track meet," Fullmer added.

Southeast will rely on a strong group of returning seniors, juniors and even sophomores to provide guidance to newcomers on the squad.

"There are several girls in all grade levels that are ready to step up and be team leaders this year," Fuller remarked.

Team strengths include throwing events as well as sprinting, relays and jumping events.

"Coach (Craig) Leithead does a great job with the throwers and we have a good group again," Fullmer noted. "I also see us doing well in long sprints, relays and jumping events. We will be balanced again and also trying to branch out and try some girls in events that we typically don't have a lot of athletes compete in."

The latter will include girls stepping up to try new events.

"We are encouraging girls to try some different events that they have never competed in," Fullmer said. "I think by years' end they will have a chance to score some points in them."

Southeast looks forward to a competitive season, particularly with Lingle-Fort Laramie and Niobrara County moving back to the 1A classification.

The Lady Cyclones' success in winter sports set the momentum for a successful spring season.

"Coming off another state championship run in basketball, I'm excited to see the Southeast girls bring that same grit and determination in track," Fullmer added. "We also had some girls compete in indoor track and had very good seasons. Meshing them all together and find-



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The Southeast High School girls track team includes in back row, from left, Hadley Leithead, Briley Leithead, Kaylee Moats, Haylee Ekwall, Bailey Mehling and Avery Tighe. Middle row, from left, are Kaylee Gibson, Molly Hasbargen, Kaycee Kosmicki, Keana Llewellyn and Elizabeth Boche. In front, from left, are Anna Hartman, Brooklyn Leithead, Taylar Hansen and Angie Logsdon.

ing ways to score points at state will be our main goals for the year."

Southeast boys

A talented group of 12 returning letter winners will pace the Southeast boys track team as it gears up for the 2025 season, including a core of experienced upperclassmen.

"We look for seniors Will Knowlton and Kannon Tippetts to have a huge year this season in running events along with sophomore Trevor Jolovich and junior Liam Haas in jumps," coach Jeff Logsdon said. "We have a good group of upperclassmen to lead and guide the younger boys"

The team's goals include improvement at "every meet" and athletes stepping up to "compete against themselves," Logsdon remarked.

"We need to dig deep and push ourselves and not settle for a lower placing," Logsdon continued.

The 2025 season opens with the Morrill Early Bird invitational on March 29, followed by a meet in Bayard on April 5.

"We are excited to get the season going," Logsdon said. "We plan to show up and compete in every event at every meet."

Ultimately, the Cyclones hope to make a run for hardware in the postseason at regionals and state.

"We're a small group this year," Logsdon noted. "We have some boys that will compete and place high right away. I'm hoping that by the time regionals rolls around, everyone will be placing and we can be in the hunt at state."

Spring Sports Preview - Southeast Track

Southeast: Meet the Southeast boys team and seniors



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The Southeast High School boys track team includes in back row, from left, Emmett Coxbill, Alec DeMarce, Kannon Tippetts, Drew Boche, Sebastian Brumley and William Knowlton. In front, from left, are Gauge Howe, Jack Hartman, Cole Tregemba, Liam Haas, Trevor Jolovich, Connor Coxbill, Talon Tippetts and Rico Ramirez.



Seniors on the Southeast girls track team include, from left, Brooklyn Leithead, Angie Logsdon, Anna Hartman and Taylar Hansen.



Seniors on the Southeast boys track team include, from left, Alec DeMarce, Emmett Coxbill, Kannon Tippetts, Drew Boche, Sebastian Brumley and William Knowlton.

Spring Sports Preview — LFL Track

LFL tracksters gear up for 1A competition



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LEFT:

The Lingle-Fort Laramie girls track team includes in back row, from left, Jordynn Speckner, Anna Frederick, Kaiten Schilreff, Alisha McGraw, Brenly Shipp, Grace Gibson, Kenzie Wilkins, Andrea Valenza and Haven Torres. In front, from left, are Madison Bugher, Addi Wilkins, Madyn Clarke, Olivia Kile, Cate Kinberg and Talia Kinberg. Also on the team, but not pictured, are Jada Kaufman, Keira Fleenor and Sidnie James.



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Seniors on the LFL girls track team include, from left, Haven Torres, Andrea Valenza, Alisha McGraw, Brenly Shipp, Grace Gibson and Kenzie Wilkins. Also on the team, but not pictured, is Jada Kaufman.

LINGLE – Both the Lingle-Fort Laramie (LFL) girls and boys track teams are preparing for an exciting season of competition as LFL returns to the 1A bracket with an eye on state hardware.

LFL girls

LFL plans to take advantage of its skilled senior- and junior-stacked girls' varsity squad, including nine returning state qualifiers and 11 letter winners from the previous season.

"We have a great deal of returning state experience," coach Mike Lashley said. "We will rely on these athletes to set the tone for us early in the season."

The roster of returning state qualifiers includes senior Grace Gibson (hurdles and relays), senior Jada Kaufman (hurdles and relays), senior Brenly Shipp (mid distance), senior Kenzie Wilkins (relays), junior Anna Frederick (distance), junior Kaiten Schilreff (jumping), junior Jordynn Speckner (relays and mid-distance), sophomore

Kiera Fleenor (relays) and sophomore Addi Wilkins (hurdles and relays).

Returning letter winners are senior Alisha McGraw (throwing) and senior Haven Torres (distance).

The team welcomes seven new athletes to the program in jumping, sprinting, hurdles, distance and middistance events.

"Once the younger girls begin to contribute as the season progresses, we should be able to cover all event areas," Lashley remarked. "This should give us the opportunity to compete for team accolades."

LFL's principal goal is "week to week improvement," Lashley added.

"By the end of the season, this improvement should put us in a position to challenge for conference, regional and state championships," Lashley continued. "It will not be easy to reach these challenging goals, but it will be

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Spring Sports Preview — LFL Track

Tracksters: Doggers eye a big postseason run

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RIGHT:

The Linale-Fort Laramie bovs track team includes in back row, from left, Garrett Henderson, Tyler Smith, Colter McFarlin, **Brody Roberts, Brady** Cook, Louden Bremer, Nathan Fish, Rhett Clarke, Skyler Patrick and Ivan Seals. In front, from left, are Briggs Erskine, Ethan Teeters, Lucas Ingram, Lincoln Speckner, Trent Dennis, **Matthew Cook and** Urijah Fish. Also on the team, but not pictured, are Cooper Smith and Nathan Lira.



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exciting to see just how successful this team can be."

Since 1991, the LFL girls have won 11 state championships. The team also punched in 14 regional titles over the past 20 years.

LFL boys

A boys' roster consisting of seven talented returning letter winners and six state qualifiers will anchor the LFL Doggers team this season.

"While we are a little thin on returning state qualifiers, those guys have scored a lot of points at the state meet in the last few years," Lashley said. "We will be leaning on them to lead the way for our team."

The roster of state qualifiers from 2024 includes senior Louden Bremer (hurdles and relays), senior Nathan Fish (pole vault and relays), senior Brody Roberts (middistance and relays), senior Cooper Smith (sprints and relays), junior Brady Cook (throwing and relays) and sophomore

Tyler Smith (distance).

Junior Colter McFarlin also lettered in throwing events for the 2024 season.

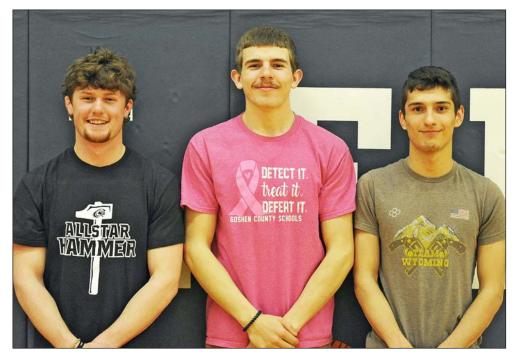
A group of 12 athletes new to the sport fill out the 2025 roster.

"We have added a strong group of newcomers and we feel really good about their contributions," Lashley added. "It will be interesting to see how they develop throughout the season and what events they end up competing in."

LFL plans to build on its momentum from 2024 when the Doggers snagged second place in the 2A division at state.

"Our depth will be very important this season as we have moved back down to 1A," Lashley said. "Similar to previous years, our goals this season include competing for conference and regional championships and ultimately winning a state title. Those are lofty goals but they are definitely in our reach."

The LFL boys have won nine state track titles since 1973 while clinching 10 regional titles over the previous 15 years.



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Seniors on the LFL boys' track team include, from left, Louden Bremer, Brody Roberts and Nathan Fish. Also on the team, but not pictured, is Cooper Smith.

Spring Sports Preview — Torrington Boys Soccer Blazers soccer team eyes state title run

TORRINGTON – The Torrington High School Blazers soccer team hopes to build off its success from 2024 with a run at the state title in 2025.

Torrington advanced to third place at the 3A state tournament the previous year with the Blazers posting an impressive 13-3 season record.

A majority of the Blazers' talented starting lineup are returning to the field this year to anchor Torrington's regular season and postseason performance for 2025.

"We have some strong soccer players returning this year," coach Jeshua Arnusch said. "I am excited to watch them lead by example."

Returning seniors include Ayden Shimic at goalkeeper, Kaiden Riggs at center back, Carter Blevins at right back along with strikers Elijah Hatch and Skyler Thomas.

"This team has been playing together since they were little," Arnusch re-

marked. "They have great team chemistry and they play for one another. Goalie play is also very solid for this team. Ayden Shimic is one of the best goalkeepers in the state and I am excited to watch him anchor our team."

The Blazers' primary objective this year is to punch their ticket to state and clinch hardware.

"The goal for the season is to make it to and win state," Arnusch said. "We are going to focus on playing more possession ball. That means our off-the-ball movement needs to improve. We also need to work hard on improving our defensive shape."

Torrington looks forward to an action-packed season in a competitive 3A division.

"I am excited to play everyone this year," Arnusch added. "I think most teams are pretty even this year. Worland, Green River, Cody and Powell will be tough. I think we are up to the challenge."



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Seniors on the THS Blazers soccer team include, from left, Oliver Szabo, Ayden Shimic, Kaiden Riggs, Skyler Thomas, Carter Blevins and Elijah Hatch.

GO, BLAZERS, GO!



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Members of the 2025 Torrington High School Blazers soccer team include in back row, from left, Oliver Szabo, Ayden Shimic, Kaiden Riggs, Skyler Thomas, Anthony Arnusch, Carter Blevins, Beaux Shimic, Elijah Hatch and Jace Schlagel. In front, from left, are Braxton Carlson, Bridger Johansson, Montrose Boggess, Jackson Hessler, DeAngelo Gann, Dutch Ogburn, Ben Steinbrecher and Jacob Stadler.

Spring Sports Preview – Torrington Girls Soccer Lady Blazers gear up for 2025 season

TORRINGTON – The Torrington High School Lady Blazers girls soccer team is preparing for an exciting 2025 spring season.

The Lady Blazers kicked off the season with a tournament in Gillette from March 21-22.

Torrington boards the bus to play Buffalo for the opening game of the regular season on Saturday, March 29, followed by an away game versus Gering on Tuesday, April 1.

The home-opener for the Lady Blazers is against Rawlins on Friday, April 4 with kickoff scheduled for 2 p.m.

Gillette hosts the state tournament this year and the season-culminating event takes place from May 22-24.

The Lady Blazers roster includes: Roma Alvarez, Salma Beltran, Kennedi Blevins, Alicia Chavez, Inez Chavez, Emma Erskine, Hallie Fuller, Rachel Gomes, Madison Hatch, Peyton Lincoln, Jazlyn Lira, Natalie Lira, Natalie Long, Isabel Mann, Allie Martinez, Marisol Munoz, Rosa Munoz, Kristen Prado, Avary Rising, Kynzi Thomas, Kayden Tucker, Zoe Wilson and Briella Wolfe.



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Seniors on the THS girls soccer team include, from left, Rachel Gomes, Kayden Tucker and Marisol Munoz.



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LEFT:

The 2025 Torrington **High School Lady** Blazers soccer team includes in back row, from left, Zoe Wilson, Inez Chavez, Rosa Munoz, Isabel Mann, Briella Wolfe, Kynzi Thomas, Peyton Lincoln, Jazlyn Lira and Madison Hatch. In middle row, from left, are Natalie Lira, Emma Erskine, Kennedi Blevins, Natalie Long, Alicia Chavez, Salma Beltran, Kristin Prado, Hallie Fuller, Avary Rising, Allie **Martinez and Roma** Alvarez. In front, from left, are Rachel Gomes, Kayden Tucker and Marisol Munoz.

Spring Sports Preview — Torrington Softball

Torrington softball excited for varsity play

TORRINGTON – While the Torrington High School girls' softball team launched its inaugural season in 2024, the team played a junior varsity schedule. As a result, 2025 will mark the Lady Blazers' first official varsity run.

Torrington is returning 10 starters from the previous year, representing each of the high schools in Goshen County. Four talented and seasoned leaders anchor the team – Torrington senior Hope Hager, Southeast senior Emilee Moats, Lingle-Fort Laramie junior Skyla Wunder and Torrington junior Kennedy Reinhardt.

"Bringing players together from three different schools is challenging but these young ladies are up to the challenge to bring cohesiveness to the team," coach Robin Schainost said. "Hope, Emilee, Skyla and Kennedy played last year and were great leaders."

Torrington posted a 7-6-1 season re-

cord as a junior varsity team in 2024 and the Lady Blazers look to improve on this record as a varsity team.

"We are a young but experienced team," Schainost added. "This group of girls works well together. We have a young pitching staff and we need to give them time to adjust to varsity level softball. We also look to build on our overall skills and knowledge of the game."

The season opened with a tournament hosted by Cheyenne East from March 21-22. The Lady Blazers played their home-opener against Cheyenne South on Tuesday, March 25 followed by a home game against Laramie on Thursday, March 27.

Torrington will be eligible to compete in the postseason in 2025 as a varsity team.

Laramie hosts the regional tournament from May 16-17 while the state championships takes place in Cheyenne from May 22-23.



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Seniors on the 2025 THS softball team include Hope Hager, left, and Emilee Moats, right.

Go, team, go!!



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The 2025 Torrington High School Lady Blazers softball team includes in back row, from left, Olivia Meyer, Shaylyn Wunder, Kadence Schamel, Hope Hager, Macauley McIntosh, Kennedy Reinhardt, Emilee Moats, Aftyn Hager, Emily Audette, Ashlyn Schamel and Charlee Floyd. In front, from left, are Bella Ash, Jadyn Chilson, Sinai Hernandez, Laney Grubbs, Skyla Wunder, Rein Coulson, Lyla Wernsman, Makayla Burkart, and Jadah Jacobson.



March 21-22

March 29

April 1

April 4

April 11

April 17

April 25

May 2

May 3

May 9

May 16

May 22-24

Spring Sports Preview - Soccer/Softball Schedules

THS Boys Soccer

TBA March 21-22 Gillette Tournament March 29 Away game vs. Buffalo 2 p.m. April 1 Home game vs. Gering 4:30 p.m. April 4 Away game vs. Worland 6 p.m. April 11 Homwe game vs. Rawlins 4 p.m. April 17 Away game vs. Newcastle 6 p.m. April 22 Home game vs. Douglas April 25 5 p.m. May 2 Away game vs. Rawlins 4 p.m. May 3 Home game vs. Worland 4 p.m. May 9 Away game vs. Douglas 6 p.m. May 10 Home game vs. Newcastle 6 p.m. May 16 State Tournament in Gillette **TBA** May 22-24

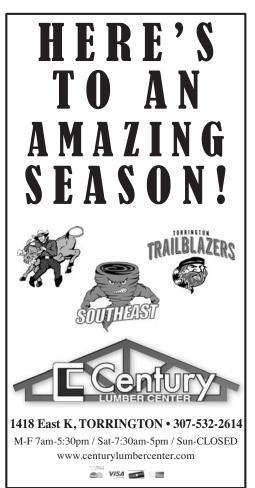
THS GIRLS SOCCER

Gillette Tournament
Away game vs. Buffalo
Home game vs. Gering
Away game vs. Worland
Home game vs. Rawlins
Away game vs. Newcastle
Home game vs. Scottsbluff
Home game vs. Douglas
Away game vs. Rawlins
Home game vs. Worland
Away game vs. Douglas
Home game vs. Buffalo
Home game vs. Newcastle
State Tournament in Gillette

THS GIRLS SOFTBALL

Cheyenne East tournament	TBA
Home vs. Cheyenne South	4/6 pm.
Home vs. Laramie	4/6 p.m.
Home vs. Cheyenne South	1/3 p.m.
Away vs. Cheyenne East	12/2 p.m.
Away vs. Green River	3:30/5 p.m
Away vs. Rock Springs	10 a.m./
	12 p.m.
Home vs. Wheatland	4/6 p.m.
Away vs. Cheyenne Central	3/5 p.m.
Home vs. Cheyenne East	10 a.m./
	12 p.m.
Torrington Quad	TBA
Regional Tournament,	TBA
Laramie	
State Tournament,	TBA
Cheyenne	

Home events are in bold







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12 p.m.

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March 27

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April 15

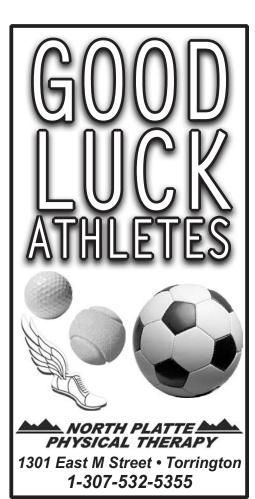
April 25

April 26

May 2-3

May 16-17

May 22-23



Spring Sports Preview - Track Schedules

THS TRACK

March 28	Scottsbluff Invitational
April 3	Natrona County Invitational
April 11	Cheyenne East Invitational
April 17	Burns Invitational
April 25	Scottsbluff Twilight
April 29	Best in the West,
	Scottsbluff
May 1	Thunder Basin Invitational,
	Gillette
May 2	Wyoming Track Classic,
	Casper
May 9	Torrington Invitational
May 16-17	Regional Meet in Buffalo
May 22-24	State Meet in Casper

SOUTHEAST TRACK

Morrill Early Bird Meet

April 5	Bayard CD Invitational
April 11	Okie Blanchard Invite,
	Cheyenne East
April 17	Burns Invitational
April 25	Scottsbluff Twilight
April 29	Best in the West,
	Scottsbluff
May 1	Kelly Walsh meet
May 2	Wyoming Track Classic,
	Casper
May 3	Lusk Invitational
May 8	Pine Bluffs field events
May 10	SEWAC in Lusk
May 16-17	1A East regional tournament,
	Torrington
May 22-24	State Meet in Casper

LFL TRACK

March 28

April 5

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May 16-17

May 22-24

Binfield Invite at Scottsbluff Bayard CD Invitational Mitchell Invitational Okie Blanchard Inv ite, Cheyenne East **Burns Invitational** George Calvert Invite, Morrill Best of the West Classic. Scottsbluff Wyoming Track Classic, Casper Dennis Zowada Invite, Lusk SEWAC at Lusk 1A East regional tournament, **Torrington** State Meet in Casper

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