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Hughte leads Zuni girls to win

The Miyamura Patriots routed the competition in a March 25 track and field meet at Angelo DiPaolo Memorial Stadium. The boys topped the Route 66 Classic with 114 overall points and the girls took third place with 59 points.

The Patriots were missing several players due to the fact that Spring Break was in session. Patriots' head coach Petersen Chee said he brought up some players from the JV squad to remedy the shortage.

"We had some players on break," Chee said. "But things turned out well."

Miyamura placed first in nine events, including a first place finish in the boys meter. In that event, Andrew Pawlowski ran a 53.74 time and Gallup's Zakarri Fields ran a 54.74 slot.

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The Zuni High School Lady Thunderbirds accumulated 77.5 overall points ahead of Belen at 71.5, which took second at the event. The Lady Thunderbirds were competing in their second meet of the week, having traveled to Magdalena just 48 hours earlier.

"I knew they were probably tired from the travel," Zuni head coach Chris Carroll said. "But we ran solid races."

Carroll noted that two runners for Zuni qualified for state. They were Chelsea Hughte in the 3200 and Ryan Bowekaty in the boys' 800 meters. Hughte took second place to Gallup's Jessica Ramirez (12:28:54) with a time of 12:32:04 and Bowekaty claimed first place with a time of 2:05:84 in the 3200.

"We had a very good outing," Bengals' head coach Andrew Rodriguez said. "I thought we ran and participated well in each event."

The Patriots' boys came in first place in the medley relay with a winning time of 32:14. Kyle Keeler came in first place in the shot put with a time of 40:00:05 and Aaron Alejo took first in the triple jump with a 40'1.5 jump for the Patriots.

In the girls standings, Belen finished with 71.5 overall points and the Rehoboth Lady Lynx finished fourth in the meet with 46 points. Grace Huizinga of Rehoboth took first place in the 100 hurdles with a time of 18.5 and teammate Sydni Brown took second place with a time of 19.14. Brown finished first in the high jump with a jump of 4'2.

The Zuni Lady Thunderbirds got off to a fast start in the 4X400 relay and Kiana Luna was first in the 400 meters with a time of 1:08.84. Hughte finished first in the 1600 meters at 5:55:84.

There were 10 boys and girls teams that participated in the Route 66 Classic. They were Miyamura, Belen, Gallup, Dulce, Zuni, Native American Community Academy, Rehoboth, Thoreau, Ramah and Laguna Acoma.

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