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(Neb.)-Hunt Continues Winning Ways At CSU Meet

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FORT COLLINS, Colorado – Cody Hunt continued his winning ways in the shot put for the Chadron State Eagles at the Jack Christiansen Invitational Meet at Colorado State University in Fort Collins.

Hunt, who improved his school record to 59-11 on Friday at a meet hosted by Colorado School of Mines, hit 58-10 $\frac{1}{4}$ at CSU to win the shot put by more than two feet. The victory was his 11th in 13 meets indoors and outdoors this year.

The junior from Lingle, Wyoming, is undefeated in six outdoor meets after winning first at five indoor meets.

This spring, Hunt has reset the Chadron State outdoor record three times and is just an inch away for hitting 60-feet, a mark every serious shotputter strives to reach. He'll have another chance at the RMAC Outdoor Meet on May 7-8 at Gunnison, Colorado.

Hunt ranks fourth in the nation this spring and is automatically qualified for the Division II National Championships. The event leader is Nick Jones of Abilene Christian, who has a best of 62-4 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The Eagles had some other excellent performances at the Colorado State meet, which drew athletes from all four of the Division I teams in Colorado as well as the University of Wyoming and several of the Division II teams in Colorado and South Dakota.

The men's 4x100 relay team placed second to Colorado State with a time of 3:21.31. The runners were Lincoln Proud, Brandon Segelke, Fred Culp and Kelly Troester.

The CSC men also were fourth in the 4x100 relay

Proud placed third in the 400 intermediate hurdles in 53.87 seconds, the second best time of his career and just nine one-hundredths of a second off his school record. The Eagles' Gavan Archibald was eighth in the 400 hurdles in 54.81 seconds.

Only Proud and three other Eagles have ever run the 400 hurdles faster than Archibald's time.

Also for the CSC men, Steven Richendifer matched his seasonal best by going 14-9 ½ in the pole vault, tying him for sixth place. Four of those placing ahead of him were from the Air Force Academy.

Two CSC women placed third in throws. Alyssa Norton sailed the discus 146-9 and Alex Alderman cast the javelin 123-4, a career best.

In addition, Kaelie Jelden and Josie Pehringer tied for fourth in the pole vault, Ashley Riesen placed fifth in the 800 and Jazmyn Webster was sixth in the high jump, going 5-6, just a half inch shy of the winning mark.

The Eagles' placings follow:

Women's Events 800—5, Ashley Riesen, 2:19.79.

 Discus—3, Alyssa Norton, 146-9.

 Javelin—3, Alex Alderman, 123-4.

High jump—6, Jazmyn Webster, 5-6.

 Pole vault—4 tie, Kaelie Jelden and Josie Pehringer, 10-11.

Men's Events 400 hurdles—3, Lincoln Proud, 53.87; 8, Gavan Archibald, 54.81.

 4x100 relay—4, Chadron State, 42.80.

 4x400 relay—2, Chadron State (Lincoln Proud, Brandon Segelke, Fred Culp, Kelly Troester), 3:21.31.

 Shot put—1, Cody Hunt, 58-10 ¼.

Pole vault—6 tie, Steven Richendifer, 14-9 ½.

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