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Bobcat girls golf excited for next group of players to step up

By **ANDREW HOLTAN**
The Register

BROOKINGS – The Brookings girls’ golf team will open the 2025 season on Tuesday and the Bobcats will have some new faces at the varsity level.

Brookings graduated its best golfer from last season in Delilah Fuls but head coach Holly Sebern is excited to see how this year’s roster performs.

“I’m really excited about [the team heading into the season]. We did lose Delilah, who was our top scorer and leader of the team, but Miyah Foerster has been showing good progress since the end of last season and the beginning of this year. At practice she’s been pretty solid and her rounds so far, we haven’t played too many because of the weather, but her rounds seem decent. I’m hopeful about that. We have four returners and letter winners from state, so we’re going to have some new ones that haven’t played before and I’m excited to see how they play,” Sebern said.

The Bobcats have six

junior’s on their varsity roster. Those are Josie Bertrand, Lauren Botnem, Foerster, Aubrey Knutzen, Kamryn Streich and Oakley VanMaanen. The final two roster spots belong to freshman Madeline Enderson and seventh grader Tafney Lunn.

Sebern said she likes how she has a solid junior class and they can also help out with the two younger players on the team.

“The juniors are good with the younger girls. With [Lunn], I’m hopeful that she’s ready for [varsity]. I think she’s got a good personality for it. She’s been showing great progress and I’m excited for her first [round], but you never know. ... I’m excited to see the mix of the roster and see how they grow throughout the season.

Sebern said that the biggest strength of her team is how they hit it off the tee but they will find success if they can putt well.

“They can drive the ball pretty far, but it doesn’t always go straight and we’ve been working on the fundamentals of that. We’ve also



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Front Row – Tatum McEntee, Layla Shepardson, Oakley VanMaanen, Audry Andal, Skyler Allen, Ava Bortnem, Tafney Lunn, Miyah Foerster and Josie Bertrand. **Middle Row** – Carmen Bertrand, Ainslee Bingham, Kinzey Froiland, Maria Enderson, Ella Kramer, Brooklyn Chandler, Katie Richter and Kinley Foerster. **Back Row** – Zoey Page, Kamryn Streich, Lauren Jones, Lauren Bortnem, Rayanna Rohl, Aubrey Knutzen and Madeline Enderson.

been working a lot on the greens. I keep telling them that’s the most important part in my mind, so we’ve been doing longer drills on the green and chipping and sand shots. But I think their long game is pretty good. We just need to make sure we get those putts and chips in without having to three-putt,” Sebern said.

With a bit of a new roster at the varsity level, Sebern said that she just wants to see the team as a whole improve throughout the seasons. If they do that, the results should come.

“My goal really is to see them progress. I’m not sure how they’re going to start out this year because I haven’t worked with some of the ones that we pulled up as much until this year. My goal is to just be competitive and improve,” Sebern said.

Brookings boys tennis heads into season with deep, experienced roster

By **ANDREW HOLTAN**
The Register

BROOKINGS – The Brookings boys’ tennis team has an experienced roster this season and the Bobcats believe that will set them up for success that they have not had in recent years.

Brookings has all upperclassmen on its varsity roster and head coach Brian Dobbs believes it’s the best roster he’s had in awhile.

“We have a really experienced team. Our varsity is all juniors and seniors. We’re going to have four seniors and two juniors [in our lineup]. We have one new [player] Brodie McCarty who is a junior but has varsity experience in Gillete, Wyoming. ... Pretty much everyone on varsity has experience and they’re all upperclassmen, so I’m optimistic about our chances this year. This is the best team that we have had in five years, maybe even longer than that,” Dobbs said.

The Bobcats played their first three duals of

the season this past weekend and went 1-2. They fell to Brandon Valley and O’Gorman on Friday but then beat Rapid City on Saturday.

Zach Mueller, Braylon Peters, Brodie McCarty, Carson Kreie, Andrew Hahn, Jean-Claude St. Pierre and Xavier St. Pierre all saw action for the varsity team over the weekend.

Mueller and Peters will be playing in the No. 1 and No. 2 flights, respectively, and Dobbs said he thinks Peters has a shot to have a lot of success this season.

“Braylon Peters is at flight two. He dropped a flight. He was at one and Zach Mueller beat him in two challenge matches. Zach has really improved. He was our five last year but has gotten bigger and stronger and has matured, so he climbed from five to one in one year. But Braylon Peters probably has the most experience and is a senior and is going to be at flight two, which is going to be a little easier than flight one, so he might have the best chance



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First Row – Philip Imre, Kerrick Zang, Shaurya Sehgal, Tony Nguyen, Zach Mueller, Jack Woodard, Jeffrey Zhu and Ted Lin. **Second Row** – Jean-Claude St-Pierre, Braylon Peters, Henry Stedman, Joseph Michna, Xavier St-Pierre, Andrew Hahn, Quinton Zhu and Sam Thompson. **Third Row** – Taponidhi Cherukuri, Caylon Peters, Layne Buterbaugh, Jackson Hahn, Jack Tanner, Markus Pawlovich and Cole Petterson. **Back Row** – Asst. Coach Brenna Langland, Ethan Coase, Crosby Ruesch, Carson Kreie, Donovan Gloege, Brodie McCarty, Eli Zerfas and Head Coach Brian Dobbs. **Not Pictured** – Liam McCausland.

to go far,” Dobbs said.

When it comes to goals for the season, Dobbs wasn’t quick to set anything big for the team. He said he just wants to make sure his players make the most of the opportunities this season and can set themselves up to play well come the end of the year.

“We don’t have any lofty goals as far as winning championships or anything. It’s kind of just the same as it’s always been. Try to have fun and build enthusiasm for the sport of tennis and maximize each person’s individual potential and hope they get as good as they can and get as far as they can. The highlights of the season are the ESD Tournament and the State Tournament. Those are the ones that the kids look forward to at the end of the year and so we want them to do as much winning as possible when we get to those,” Dobbs said.

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Brookings softball looks to get back to State Tournament

By **ANDREW HOLTAN**
The Register

BROOKINGS – The Brookings softball team has gotten off to a 2-1 start to the season and are hoping that success continues and turns into a State Tournament berth.

The Bobcats opened the season with a 16-0 win over Yankton and then beat Watertown 7-3 in their home opener. This past Friday Brookings was handed its first loss as they fell to Brandon Valley 15-9.

Brookings has done a lot of damage at the plate so far. The Bobcats have hit 11 home runs in their first three games. Bobcat head coach Emma Hardin said she's been pleased with the way her lineup has put runs on the board to start the season.

"Right now, I think our hitting is a big strength for us. All through our lineup, we have girls that can down a bunt, we have some power hitters in there, some contact hitters. So, I think it's been fun in these first few games to hit some home runs over the fence and then lay down a bunt when needed. We've already shown that and it's

going to be fun to see good pitching and see how our hitters are able to do against that," Hardin said.

The Bobcats have seven seniors on their team. The senior class is highlighted by Kymber Buys and Tess Burns who are each committed to play at South Dakota State next year, and Morgan Norgaard who will play at St. Cloud State after leaving Brookings. Buys and Norgaard have shown power with their bats so far this season, while Burns is the head of the Bobcat pitching staff.

Hardin said the senior class is not only good on the field, but have also set a good example for the young players on both the varsity and junior varsity teams.

"Our senior class, we have three that are committed to going on to play in college, two at the Division I level and one in Division II. Our senior class, not only those girls, but we have some vocal leaders and then some that lead by example and they've been a big help because we have a big freshmen class. Our whole junior varsity roster is freshmen, so it's been really fun to see

our seniors and our upperclassmen step up and teach them what Bobcat softball is all about," Hardin said.

Brookings does have a few young players in its lineup. Hardin said she's going to need to rely on some of the young players this season, but is confident that they will be able to step up when needed.

"We have some young kids that are going to have to step up. [Ella Pysk] is a freshman who is going to throw some innings for us in the circle and she's going to have to step up and not play like a freshman. Kalla Foerster has been starting in right field and she's a freshman as well. So, we do have some young kids on our team and it's going to be important they step up, because when it becomes varsity time, we don't have time for them to play like freshmen," Hardin said.

The game against Brandon Valley was a step back for the Bobcat pitching staff, who had given up eight hits in their first two games. Hardin said she thinks Burns will continue to improve throughout the season and she's confident in



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Front Row – Kinzey Grendler, Hailey Stimson, Kendal Linstad, Stella Anderson, Student Manager Joey Fiechtner, Kalla Foerster, Ramsie Hinricher, Loghan Feige and Olivia Hove. **Middle Row** – Jordyn Anderson, Avery Eliason, Keisha Cushing, Quinn Kurtenbach, Tess Burns, Kymber Buys, Addy Bortnem, Morgan Norgaard, Layla Erickson and Emma Covrig. **Back Row** – Ashtyn Otteson, Zoe Adamson, Tatum Myhre, Avery Dentlinger, Reece Christianson, Zoe Miller, Ella Pysk, Taya Twedt, Sabrina Stevens, Taylee Connot and Grace Romsa.

Pysk and Kinzey Grendler.

"Tess Burns, who's committed to SDSU, I think she's going to do really well in the circle. I've already seen some growth in her from last season. She just has some more movement in her pitches, has a little more speed and is getting into that changeup. We also have Kinzey Grendler who

is a sophomore, but she plays like a senior. She played for us last year and she is ready to be put in any situation," Hardin said.

Last season the Bobcats went 10-8 and lost to 18-13 Watertown in the SoDak 16. Brookings was the Class AA State Runner-Up in 2023 and Hardin said she wants to get back to the State Tournament and make a run this season.

"That's the goal. We definitely want to make it to the State Tournament, and then be successful in the State Tournament. We don't just want to make it there. We want to win some games at the State Tournament as well. I think with the dynamic of the team that we have, I think we can do that," Hardin said.

New faces hope to lead Bobcat baseball to strong season

By **ANDREW HOLTAN**
The Register

BROOKINGS – It's been an up and down start to the season for the Brookings baseball team, but the Bobcats are hoping to get better every day.

Brookings has gone 2-4 in the first six games of the season. The Bobcats split doubleheaders with Yankton and Sioux Falls Lincoln and then were swept by the Bucks in a doubleheader this past weekend.

Brookings head coach Carter Roach said he's used the first six games to figure out his lineup and thinks it's been a good start despite the record.

"There's a lot of new faces in the lineup, but it's been good. I think some question marks of who we were going to be and who was going to play were answered. They weren't completely answered, but I think we have a good idea and the kids played well," Roach said.

Roach added that he wants his team to be sound defensively and it starts with

making the routine plays.

"As always, I'd like to pride ourselves on defense and pitching. I'm really excited about our defense. It's something we preach about everyday. We need to be able to make the routine plays and then making the great ones will just be a plus," Roach said.

Brookings' offense struggled in the first three games of the season as the Bobcats scored just four runs. The Bobcats have found some success at the plate over the past three games as they've scored 20 runs.

Roach said he likes what the top half of his lineup has to offer.

"We have some kids that are coming up and this may be their first season of being contributors on the varsity team, but they've had success at younger ages. ... There are two guys that really had good springs last year and then good junior seasons in Jase Bauer and Tane Friedrich. ... Those two anchor the middle of the lineup. Guys like Talon Hyde, Tyson Antonen

and Jay Harris will be the ones that will support those guys in the middle and Tre Christopherson can set up the table as the lead off guy," Roach said.

The Bobcat pitching staff is anchored by senior Tyson Antonen. Roach said it's nice to have a senior that he can lean on but he still needs to shape the rest of the staff.

"We return senior Tyson Antonen, who logged a bunch of innings for us last summer. He also pitched well last spring as a junior but then had an injury later in the spring that sidelined him and didn't get back until the middle of June, and he was from then on. He's going to be our ace. The big question mark will be who is going to fill in those second, third and fourth starting spots and we need guys to come in out of the bullpen too. Those are going to be question marks with who those guys are going to be, but it's really nice to have a senior leader and ace of staff in Antonen," Roach said.

Brookings went 13-14 in



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Front Row – Jay Harris, Tane Friedrich, Talon Hyde, Winston Plummer, Kysin Reuer, Tyson Antonen and Jase Bauer. **Back Row** – Ryan Lockrem, Max Jensen, Cooper Schneider, Nolan Krogman, Nolan Wagner, Ryder Anderson, Sutton Schneider and Tre Christopherson.

the spring last season and lost in a regional at home to Sioux Falls Roosevelt. Roach said with the amount of new faces on the varsity team this year, he is first focused on getting better and then his team can focus on hosting a regional and making a run at the State Tournament.

"I think a huge topic is just getting better everyday. Whether it's a practice or a game, finding a way to get better. We always talk about, no matter what season it is because we carry over into the summer, we want to be playing our best baseball come May. Every season our goal is to be a top eight seed

and host a super regional at Bob Shelden Field and then the second goal is to make the State Tournament. After that, it doesn't matter what State Tournament it is, you just have to get there. You get to the State Tournament and anything can happen," Roach said.

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Front Row – Ashton Baker, Cole Hockett, Ernest Ting, Jon Kahler, Charlie Bisgard, Josiah Thomas, Alex Diersen, Seth Vogt and Mason Mathis. **Second Row** – Bergen Tetzlaff, Alex Wainman, Gavin Anderson, Blake Kannegieter, Ezra Eidem, Isaac Andai, Jacksen Bartemeyer and Kavish Salunke. **Third Row** – Isaiah Vogt, Brady Halsey, Jonathan Scheff, Dylan Haar, Trevin Lounsbury, Eli Hawks, Jack Griggs, Jorgen Johnson and Tyson Springman. **Fourth Row** – Alex Lazar, Mason Busche, Liam Jones, Shane Harming, Marco Springman, Greyson Bouske, Muradha Jodhari and Mack Nelson. **Fifth Row** – Weston Baker, LaVonte Carter, Owen Hoppe, Michael Nelson, Carson Loehr, Caden Walsh and Kordell Greke; **Sixth row** – Bryce Relinger, Haiden Baxter, Stephen Anawski, Gus Armenta and Joseph Peters. **Back Row** – Assistant Coaches Vonda Bjorklund and Joe Frederiksen, Head Coach Jason Sebern, Assistant Coaches Jim Hazelton, Addison DeHaven, Scott Miller and Travis Engebretson.



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Front Row – Student Manager Anon Zokou, Paige Holt, Kennedy Ronning, Clara Delbridge, Logan Smidt, Kendis Sackreiter, Kennedy Nemitz, Yar Akon and Ashton Otteson. **Second Row** – Taira Buus, Adilynn Gundvaldson, Shae Lefers, Cadence Dauer, Claire Bisgard, Nevaeh Strohfus, Sophia Schmit, Ava Petterson, Jordyn Johnson, Marlee Skinner and Rylee Briggs. **Third Row** – Allie Cochran, Maya Hansen, Kaylie Kuehl, Brooklyn Ballis, Luci Siemonsma, Bailey TeKrony, Olivia Hawks, Grace Vostad, Ally Couser and Paisley teVelde. **Fourth Row** – Ryleigh Goldammer, Elise Kjelden, Natalie Kahler, Sofia Gonzalez, Isabel Overby, Lucille Gaalswyk, Lexa Kieckhefer, Tessa Connot, Sabrina Stevens and Nichole Waligoske. **Fifth Row** – Student Manager Ariana Funderburg, Julia Burns, Ella Miller, Joey Bear Hill, Hadley Devine, Kalla Foerster, Addison Haggerty, Mabsie Mogard and Evie Flittie. **Back Row** – Assistant Coaches Vonda Bjorklund and Joe Frederiksen, Head Coach Jason Sebern, Assistant Coaches Jim Hazelton, Addison DeHaven, Scott Miller and Travis Engebretson.

Bobcat track & field looks to perform the best when it matters most

By **ANDREW HOLTAN**
The Register

BROOKINGS – The Brookings track & field teams are off and running already this season as the Bobcats have participated in two indoor meets and one outdoor meet.

Both of the indoor meets were at the Sanford Jackrabbit Athletic Complex and their first outdoor meet was in Huron this past Friday.

The Brookings’ boys have seen success in the distance events so far this season as the Bobcats have four runners that have times that

rank in the top 10 in their respective events.

Cole Hockett is ranked seventh in the state in the 400 meter run. Jonathan Kahler is ranked second in the 800. Trevin Lounsbury is ranked first in the 1600 and second in the 3200. Ernest Ting is ranked seventh in the 800.

“Our distance crew is really good,” said Brookings head coach Jason Sebern. “Those are just a few of our distance kids, but we have a lot of depth in our distance program and we’re pretty excited about that. Hockett, Kahler, Lounsbury and Ting set the school indoor

record in the 4x400 [earlier this season] and if it was an outdoor time it would have been the fastest in the state,” Sebern said.

In the field events Alex Wainman is ranked eighth in the javelin and seventh in the high jump. He set the Brookings indoor high jump record at six feet and two inches.

On the girls’ side Logan Smidt is a two-time place winner at State in the javelin and this season she is ranked fifth so far. Kendis Sackreiter is ranked second in the shot put. Kennedy Ronning set the indoor school indoor record in the pole vault

with a jump of 11 feet, which would also be the outdoor record, and is ranked second in the state. She also set the school indoor record in the 100 meter dash.

“We’re going to be pretty strong in the field events,” Sebern said. “We have some standout performers. [Sackreiter] has made a really big jump in her sophomore year. She set the record for the indoor shot put and she’s thrown it about the same distance outdoors. We have some standout field athletes on the girls’ side. But we’re also improving in the sprints and distance events. We’re hoping to

continue to do that and I think we can be competitive in our sprint relays and hopefully we can put together some good performances in the distance races too.”

Sebern said it was nice to post some of these results in the two indoor meets and first outdoor meet but he knows that the Bobcats will need to continue to improve if they want to see strong performances at the meets that matter the most in May.

“We’re building and trying to take it day by day and have good workouts,” Sebern said. “The workouts early in the season are going to set you up for success in

May. We’re just trying to be smart about our workouts, and those prepare the kids and build confidence. We’ve had some good performances so far, but we have a lot of work to do.

“We have to continue to trust the process and then we’ll get to May and we want to put our kids in the best position to do their best when it really counts. We just need to continue to build and improve and put ourselves in a position to do well at the Howard Wood Relays, the ESD Conference Meet and the State Meet in May. Those are really the only meets that count.”

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Girls Golf



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Sioux Valley's Keyra Kruse putts the ball during a tournament at Meadow Creek Golf Course in Volga on May 13, 2024. Kruse and the Cossacks began the 2025 season on Tuesday.

Head Coach: Jeremy Bachman	had one State participant in Caitlyn Craddock.	Caitlyn Craddock	Bohnet and Abygale Degen.	letter winners this year and quite a few girls with lots of golf experience.	Coach Comments: We will look to compete towards the top of the LCC and BEC.
2024 Recap: The Cossacks	Top Athletes Lost:	Top Returners: Keyra Kruse, Lillie Noble, Macy	Strengths: We have a good number of returning		

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Track & Field



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Boys
Head Coach: Bill Vincent
Assistant Coaches: Don Sutura, Taylor Ash and Chad Guthmiller
2024 Recap: Won both the Lake Central and Big East Conference and had large representation in many events at the State Meet.
Top Athletes Lost: Skylar Trygstad
Top Returners: We return numerous athletes, including Donovan Rose who is the school record holder in the 100. Jakob

& Mitch Guthmiller who both qualified in the high jump and relays for State last season. Brayden Danzeisen and Brody Haaland qualified in the long and triple jump. Carson Wosje, Brady Hiltunen and Brock Christopherson all contributed at the State Meet in our middle distance races and relays. We also return many talented throwers including Wyatt Nelson, Levi Loban and Landon Hanssen. Wyatt Hardt contributed in the hurdle races and sprint relays

and Hunter Steinhaus on the sprint relays. Other Cossacks will be in the mix this season that have been in the program or are new to the sport.
Strengths: We should be balanced in participation across all of the events. Another strength will be the experience in big meets that we return. We have a large number of participants.
Coach Comments: The Cossacks will be competitive in both conferences this season and should take some events to the

State level. We are excited to get the season started and hope to build on last year's success.
Girls
Head Coach: Don Sutura
Assistant Coaches: Bill Vincent, Chad Guthmiller and Taylor Ash
2024 Recap: Won both the Lake Central and Big East Conference.
Top Athletes Lost: Abby Haaland and Tia Glaus, who were both State qualifiers.
Top Returners: State Qualifiers - Isabelle

Bloker, who was first in the 1600 and first in the 3200. Adison Renkly, who was eighth in the triple jump and 10th in the 100 hurdles. Maci Licht, who was ninth in the 800. Talya Vincent, Emma Gorvin, Caitlin Russell, Liberty Trygstad, Summer Guthmiller, Ava Gatzke, Audrey Larsen and Tenley Severson will all be contributors.
Strengths: Have a group of hard working girls that saw success last year and hopefully we can continue to improve throughout the season and hope to have

another great state meet.
Coach Comments: We have a good group with state meet experience. We should be solid on the track and will need to continue to develop field events and hopefully we can make a run at the Lake Central Conference and Big East Conference titles. This year's team has a good mix of both young girls wanting to prove that they can be competitive and experienced girls that are ready to show they can compete at the state level.

Softball



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Head Coach: Tatum Sonnenberg
Assistant Coaches: Carissa Hageman and Tess Pantzke
2024 Recap: Went 16-6 overall. High points from the 2024 season would be the overall growth our team had together from the beginning of the season to the end. We continued to work day-to-day on the small skills to build the

big skills. A significant high point was playing a great game in the SoDak 16 again EPJ. Our team looked great and played well the whole game. Our pitching grew stronger as the year progressed. We were able to hold our opponents to a .270 batting average and of the 538 batters we faced only allowed 132 hits. As a young first year team with freshmen and sophomore

pitching staff this was a big feat to overcome. We ended the 2024 season with a .341 team average. This included 6 home runs, 136 singles, 39 doubles, and 12 triples. Of these hits our team was able to score 206 runs and obtain 164 RBI's.
Top Athletes Lost: Center fielder Katie Richarz.
Top Returners: Savana Guthmiller, who is commit-

ted to play at Jamestown University in North Dakota next season. Zylee Lantgen, Kassidy Smith, Amelia Jacobson, Ella Jacobson, Cameron Uecker, Morgan Lemme, Abby Axtell and Audrey Murano. All athletes coming back bring a variety of skills! This year I look forward to their diversity and the positions that they are able to play! Also looking

forward to some variety with batting, bunting, and slapping when it comes to the plate.
Strengths: This year we are working on being a team unit. This team is more of a family then a team. We are playing for things bigger than ourselves and it shows in the way each girls carry themselves at practices.
Coach Comments: I am excited for this season as

we will see a good variety of new teams and teams we got to face last year. Like I said, we are a young team but we have good leaders in the upper grades who will help build the younger players. The variety of options that these girls bring to the team will set us up for many possibilities. Stay tuned for what is to come for the Sioux Valley Cossack Softball team.

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Track & Field



Courtesy Photo

Front, from left: Josie Hamilton, Ella Hoffman, Hailianne Schepel, Morgan Kontz, Kiley Westberry, Ayashi Artoz, Faith Wiese and Morgan Sheppard. **Row Two:** Mia Stone, Dreamer Cournoyer, Diamond Roy, Mya Nichols, Marina Tharrats Lopez, Hailey Lahr, Tricia Roy and Marlene Burshiem. **Row Three:** Fawn Frias, Miesha Pedraza-Felix, Emma Keith, Claire Wegner, Amelia Pieper, Isla Jones and Lozen Jones. **Row Four:** Veda Wagner, Harper Pearson, Rhegan Sheppard, Rona Streitz, Calla Wiese, Healani Barboza, Candace Metcalf and Reagyn Kopetjka. **Back Row:** Jaila Eng, Rylah Otto, Charley Henderson, Elliette Kontz, Tenley LeBrun, Molly Kelm, Makenzie Barron, Piper Haugen and Aviyana Peacock. **Not pictured:** Isabel Kulm and Juliaunna Anderson.

Head Coach: Owen Parsley
Assistant Coaches: Georgia Adolph, Scott Headrick, Liam Streitz
2024 Recap: The girls came tied for seventh at the Class A State Meet last season. They were fourth in the Lake Central Conference and third in the Big East Conference. The boys came in third in the LCC and eighth in the BEC.
Top Athletes Lost: The girls lost Katherine Kulm

and Jade Stone, while the boys lost Tanner Reed, Matt Gassman and Lanz Dailey.
Top Returners Girls: Faith Wiese, Kiley Westberry, Morgan Sheppard, and Ella Hoffman, placed third in the Medley and fourth in the 4x400. (Two juniors, a sophomore and freshman this season.) Faith Wiese placed third in both the 1600 and 3200 meter runs at State. Morgan Sheppard placed third in the 400

meter dash at State. Josie Hamilton qualified for state in the 3200 meter run. The 4x800 team of Josie Hamilton, Kiley Westberry, Faith Wiese, and Morgan Sheppard also ran a school record time of 9:54.21 and qualified for the state meet though the relay was not run there.
Top Returners Boys: The relay team of Micah Otto, Paul Parsley, Ben Kulm and Brenton Westberry placed eight in the medley at the State meet and also



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Front, from left: Jacob Hamilton, Pedro Barona, Anthony Pieper, Braxton Julson, Abe Streitz, Brayson Gould, Gabriel Frias and Nate Hobbie. **Row Two:** Teague Bergjord, Elijah Johnson, Louis Gauthier Martines, Creighton Arnett, Jacob Mohr, Kenton James, Nathan Ross and Graysen Fox. **Row Three:** Wyatt Kontz, Ben Kulm, Franklin Castillo Donis, Logan Arnold, Terence Manwarren, Brenton Westberry and Logan Kontz. **Row Four:** Micah Otto, Tayte Hammer, Luke Sheppard, Daniel Hobbie, Davien Schipper, Paul Parsley, Xavier Bien and Alexavier Poitra. **Row Five:** Blaine Martin, Kobi Martin, Tayte Joachims, Brecken Johnson, Braehden Smith-Kuhnel, Kael Bamba, Brooks Ballard and Titus Tollefson. **Back Row:** Aston Duncan, Samuel Wiese, Evan Hoffman, Ryker Headrick, Griffin Hemmer, Grey Ballard, Jameson Armstrong, Isaac Silva and Etzio Bulit. **Not pictured:** Willian Lonebear, Asael Garreau, Sam Schmidt, Bim Asio and Tucker Hemmer.

qualified in the 4x400. (They are all seniors this year) Individually, Brenton Westberry placed eighth in the 400 at state and Micah Otto qualified in the high jump.
Strengths: We have sensational seniors for both boys and girls and their leadership is promoting quality efforts for all athletes in the program. Also, we have strong numbers in the younger grades which means the future is bright for

Flandreau track & field. With a strong effort and mindset from our athletes and superb coaching from our staff, I am confident that the 2025 season has a bright outlook and we hope that high finishes will be achieved and records will continue to fall.
Weakness: One weakness our boys and girls' teams have are a lack of high placing finishes in the field events. We do hope to see more quality finishes in the jumps and

throws, and our excellent coaches are working with our athletes to make this happen.
Coach Comments: Our theme for the year is Iron Sharpens Iron, a reference to Proverbs 27:17. We are excited this season to sharpen each other as teammates and athletes. We intend to make one another better as people and also stay sharp with our God-given abilities as we run, jump, and throw. Go Fliers!

Golf



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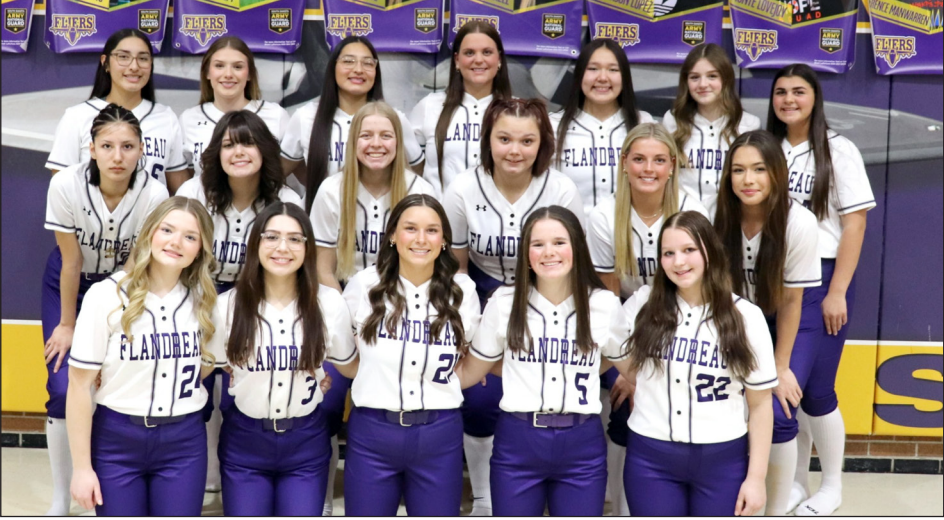
From left, Hunter Bushkofsky, Alfie Henderson, Jon Burshiem, Daniel Hobbie and Julianna Gaspar.

Head Coach: Chad Bushkofsky
Top Athletes Lost: No seniors lost on either side, but Big East Conference champion Madison Bushkofsky will be unable to compete due to a foot injury. She also came in ninth in the State Tournament.
Top Returners: The

boys return Jon Burshiem and Alfie Henderson, who each competed at the State Tournament last season. The boys also add Nathaniel Hobbie. The girls return Julianna Gaspar.
Weakness: The Fliers do not have a full team on either side so they won't be in any team competi-

tions.
Coach Comments: Due to enrollment status, we have been moved back to Class B this season. I look forward to seeing my golfers improve individually as the season goes on and seeing them as State Class B participants in Watertown.

Softball



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Front Row, from left: Makenzie Gregory, Jacey Sundermeyer, Hailianne Schepel, Josie Hamilton and Rory Thielsen. **Middle Row:** Jazalynn Kampeska, Zaeda Ross, Elodie Amdahl, Autumn Pittman, Addy Hammer and Rylee Allen. **Back Row:** Patricia Roy, Adrianna Hanford, Diamond Roy, Olivia Peters, Autumn Bosin, Ady Krull and Aly Schepel. Not pictured is Sadie Iott.

Head Coach: Ryan Mallingner
Assistant Coach: Niki Mallingner
2024 Recap: Flandreau went 7-15 last season. The Fliers finished the season with more wins than the first year of the program. We had a great team win against Sioux Falls Christian last year which propelled us into a successful end of the season. Our record from last year doesn't necessarily reflect that, but we had a formidable finish with playing teams like Beresford and Tea (now a AA school) very close at the end of the season. Our SoDak 16 game was tight through four innings and proved that with many returning pieces, we could put together a good season in 2025.
Top Athletes Lost:

Second baseman Julie Pitsenberger.
Top Returners: We return our largest senior class in the program's short history. Notable members of this class include Jacey Sundermeyer, Sadie Iott, and Olivia Peters. All three were varsity players that logged many innings of work and hope to do the same this year. We also have multiple contributing underclassmen coming back this season. Those girls would be Addy Hammer (junior), Aly Schepel (junior), Nora Hamilton (sophomore) and Rylee Allen (sophomore).
Strengths: Our strengths include experience, pitching, and defense. With returning many varsity starters, girls have had the opportunity to play a large role in crucial games

over the past two seasons. Both pitchers used last year intend to pick up right where they left off. Finally, defense has always been a major part of our culture, and we believe this keeps us competitive in every game.
Weakness: A team weakness that we hope to address this season is our offense and mainly our batting. There were many games last season where we got shut out or didn't score until late in the game when it was already out of hand. This made it very tough to keep pace.
Coach Comments: We are hoping Year three proves to be a big year for us. Our goal this season is to encourage the younger generation of softball players in town to want to be part of this growing program.

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Track & Field



Front row, from left: Chris Lee, Jackson Zwart, Jase Mousel, Carson Voelker, Sutton Bunde and Jack Mousel. Row Two: Maci Voelker, Anna Zwart, Brynlee Landis, Finley Luze, Addison Geigle, Presley Luze and Anya Hemmer. Row Three: Michoen Williamson, Hailey Voelker, Quinn Meyer, Isabelle Lee, Crystal Silva-Dominguez, Marisol Ayala, Avery Baumberger and Mya Reiff. Back Row: Elaina Rhode, Logan Claflin, Caden Zwart, Hayden Pearson, Zachary Pederson, Westyn Pearson, Cruz Luze, Mikano Lee and Jolie Flatten.

Boys
Head Coach: Chad Williamson
Assistant Coaches: Julie Preheim, Katlyn Menzie and Brandt Deutsch
Top Athletes Lost: Jonny Keyes
Returning Athletes: Chris Lee, who finished third in the 100 meter dash last season at State last season. He also came in second in the 4x200 relay and third in the 4x100 relay. He was also a 200 meter run

qualifier. Jack Mousel, who was third in the high jump, second in the 4x200, third in the 4x100 and eighth in the 200 meter run. Jase Mousel, who was fourth in the long jump, fourth in the triple jump, second in the 4x200 and third in the 4x100. Jackson Zwart, who was second in the 4x200 and was a 300 and 110 meter hurdle qualifier. Sutton Bunde, who was a 3200 meter run qualifier.
Strengths: Have a strong

nucleus of athletes that can compete in many events.
Weakness: Lack depth in the 400-3200 meter runs.
Girls
Head Coach: Julie Preheim
Assistant Coaches: Chad Williamson, Katlyn Menzie, Brant Deutsch
2024 Recap: The girls came in fifth at the 2024 State Track meet. They placed in the top eight in three individual events (100 Hurdles, 100, & 200) and in

all of the relays.
Top Athletes Lost: Daniela Lee and Lanie Mousel.
Top Returners: Elaina Rhode, who came in seventh in the 100 meter dash and first in the 4x100 relay at the State Meet. Presley Luze, who came in eighth in the 4x800 relay. Brynlee Landis, who came in eight in the 4800 relay, second in the 4x200, fifth in the spring relay medley and third in the 4x400.

Crystal Silva-Dominguez, who came in eighth in the 4x800, first in the 4x100 and third in the 4x400. Finley Luze, who came in eighth in the 4x800, second in the 200, fifth in the medley and third in the 4x400. Jolie Flatten, who came in fifth in the medley and third in the 4x400.
Strengths: We have a great number of veteran athletes returning, and we also have some younger talent that will be a great

asset to the team. We have talent in both running and field events this season that will help us to be successful.
Coach Comments: Even though we have some big shoes to fill with the 2024 graduating seniors, we have a lot of returning talent. I feel the returning talent and some of the underclassmen coming up will help to make a very successful season for the girls track team.

Softball



Front row from left: Harper Mousel, Kinsley Schaeffer, Isabella Grann and Marley Grace Grant. Back Row: Sarah Voelker, Kaitlyn Taggart, Savannah Schmidt, Brianne Bowen, Chloe Schmidt, Addison Geile and Kinley Geigle.

Head Coach: Stormy Mette
Assistant Coach: Kristen Taggart
2024 Recap: 2024 was a year of growth. We improved our record, even if only slightly. We ironed out some kinks from the previous year. We started hitting better, and we started being able to “hang,” with some of the better teams in our class. The girls most definitely showed improvements in their knowledge of the sport. I can’t wait to see what improvements they

showcase this year. They all seem very excited to start this year off.
Top Athletes Lost: Lanie Mousel, Karissa Williams and Paisley Rentschler.
Top Returners: Kaitlyn Taggart, Kinzley Shafer, Addy Giegler, Harper Mousel, Maebe Groos, Savannah Schmidt and Kinley Giegler.
Strengths: Close-knit group, fielding, pitching, softball IQ and baserunning.
Weaknesses: Batting, pitching velocity and accuracy.

Coach Comments:I ’m looking forward to another great year with the Hawks. This is the most rewarding job. We will keep bettering ourselves each year. I think that every year the girls seem to get more excited about the sport. I have mostly all returning players, which really helps our team chemistry. I have some great role models in upper-classmen & I have some really enthusiastic and skilled younger classmen.

Golf



Front row, from left: Landon Preheim, Aspen Clark, Mauryn Landis, Savanna Schmidt and Parker LeBrun. Middle Row: Cole Schmidt, Rowdy Bowen, Camden Minor and Holdyn Rentschler. Back Row: Emerson Hinricher, Camdyn Hoyer, Taylor Kriech, Jack Whitehouse and Davien Billmeier.

Head Coach: Billy Stitz
Assistant Coach: Bodee Groos
2024 Recap: Last year was a tough year with weather, but the Hawks managed to get in 5 tournaments before regions. They collected 14 medals in those tournaments, including two wins and six top-5 finishes.
Top Athletes Lost: None.
Top Returners: Taylor Kriech, who has played in

the State Tournament four times and came in second in the State Tournament last season. Jack Whitehouse, who has made State once. Holdyn Rentschler, who is in his second year on the varsity team. Savanna Schmidt, who is in her fourth year on the varsity team. Aspen Clark, who is in her third year on the varsity team, and Mauryn Landis, who is in her second year on the

varsity team.
Strengths: We have a ton of returning experience. We have 6 golfers from last year’s varsity roster coming back, including a State tournament runner up. The three girls that missed the cut at Regions by less than 3 strokes will be hungry to improve and take the next step to represent their school at the State tournament.

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Head Coaches: Jalen Kaufman and Chris Shaffer

Assistant Coaches: Kiana Bumann and Scott Glodt

Top Athletes Lost: Faith Steffensen, Fini Kamps and Josh McMasters.

Top Returners: Hadlee Holt, who came in third in the shot put and the discus at State. Rexton Blue, who was a State qualifier in the discus.

Coach Comments: We have a fairly deep roster. We're hoping to fill each event and be competitive.



Back row, left to right: Carrie Poppen, Alise Hope, Allie Curd, Ben Curd, Peyton Hope, Owen Wienk, Rayson Timm, Carter Arbeiter, Lucas Peskey, Rexton Blue, Rowdy Scheel and Ervin Carter. Front row left to right: Mariya Conyers, Chenoa Harris, Khloe Olson, Avah Newman, Bentlee Holt, Hadlee Holt, Aiden Query, Brycen Blue, Tade Menzel and Case Carlson.

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Deubrook Girls Track & Field

Head Coach: Rachelle DeBeer

Assistant Coaches: Brad DeBeer, Haley Lunden, Paul Ekern, Lucas Trooien and Nathan Lamb

Top Returners: We return some solid state qualifiers and place winners. Kiana Schmit (ninth at state in the shot put and 14th in discus) and Zoey Molengraaf (13th in the shot put and 23rd in the javelin) at state. Our medley relay was runner-up at the state meet with Akasha Gorecki, Kadence Bowne and returners Kylee Johnson and Nora Olsen. We return three of the four team members of the 3200 relay state cham-

pions (graduated Kadence Bowne) in Makenna Ekern, Kylee Johnson and Nora Olsen. Kyra Bowne and Kylee Johnson also ran on the 800 relay that finished ninth, narrowly missing finals at the state meet last year. Nora Olsen finished third in the mile and third in the open 800 at the state meet also.

Strengths & Weaknesses: Depth will be an issue for us, but we have some junior high kids that could help out the varsity if they are willing to work hard. We have a few newcomers in the high school that are new to track or have come back to Dolphin track

in Neely Gustad, Matti Ramlo, Kaylee Schmit and Lidia Dupraz to join high schoolers Isabel Knutson, Elyse Hopfinger, Chloe Haines.

Coach Comments: I have been super impressed with the work ethic that the athletes have had so far. The kids really work hard, and they both challenge and encourage one another. We spend a good part of our practice working on core strength, balance and proper running form. It is not always exciting stuff, but they have buckled down this past week and really paid attention to detail.

Arlington Softball

Head Coach: DeDe Schmidt

Assistant Coaches: Tara King, Kelli VanOverbeke and Jesse VanOverbeke

2024 Recap: Went 8-11. Last year, we had some highs and lows as a team. These girls battled and came out every game and gave it all they could. They never gave up and that is what I like the most. Our season ended with a tough loss to Alcester-

Hudson and it was a back and forth game.

Top Athlets Lost: Third baseman Harley Johnson and shortstop Brenley Goebel.

Top Returners: Outfielder Sony Jognson who was a 2024 All-Conference Honorable Mention. Outfielder/infielder Jaelyn Huntimer, infielder Lizzy Rowen and infielder Mady Madsen.

Strengths: We have

a couple of girls on the team that have been with us since our first year and that will bring us great leadership. These girls have already shown that they are willing to work and put time in to get better.

Weakness: Very young team and low on numbers.

Coach Comments: I can't wait to see where the season takes us.

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