Royal Valley Boys Track Takes 2nd at Abilene Track Meet

Royal Valley Panthers boys track squad took home second place as a team at the Abilene track meet this past Friday. Panthers boys utilized one first place title, four top third places finishes and seven top six finishes to take home second place as a team in the meet.

Thomas Broxterman was the top performer of the day for the Panthers as he notched the only first place finish for the Panthers on the day taking home the 800 meter run crown with a time of 2:30, while also finishing third in the long jump. In other running events Royal Valley had two of their third places and four top six finishes. Tanner Ogden took home third place in the 3200 meter run (time of 10:24), they other third place came at the hands of the Panthers relay squad who in the 1600 meter relay finished in third only four seconds behind first place.

The Relay team also notched a fourth place finish in the 400 meter WT relay and sixth place in the 400-meter relay. It was a couple more fourth place finishes for the Panthers to round out the running events as Zack Roybal took fourth in the 300-meter hurdles and Skyler Link in the 200-meter dash.

In the fielding events Royal Valley boys took two third places and three top six finishes. Broxterman before mentioned took third in the long jump, while his teammate Wemiko Lewis matched that finish in the discus throw. Then it was a pair of fourth place finishes for Skyler Link and Michael Bailey, in the long jump and pole vault, respectively. Rounding out the top six finishes on the day for the boys Panthers track team was Chris Chapman with a sixth place finish in the high jump.

On the girls side of the track meet the Panthers didn't finish as high in the team standings but had 14 top six finishes on the day. As a team Royal Valley girls only finished seventh out of eight schools in the track meet, but did enjoy some good individual performances.

Mara Winter had the highest finish of any girls Royal Valley track athlete with her third place finish in the triple jump; she also took home fifth in the long jump. Her teams Chelsea Hodison and Desiree Morris each both tallied two top six finishes on the day, also. Hodison took fourth in the 400 meter dash and sixth in the 200 meter dash, while Morris notched a fifth in the javelin throw and fourth in the discus throw. Elizabeth Blevins had three top six finishes for Royal Valley as she tied for third in the pole vault, took sixth in the long jump and sixth in 100 meter dash.

Only two other Panthers had top six finishes in the field events on the day, those being Kassidy Dahl and Tiffani Williford, who took fifth in the shot put and pole vault, respectively. On the track running side of things the Royal Valley relay team took fourth in the 400 meter WT relay, while two other individuals had top six finishes outside of Hodison with her two. Alex Bailey and Kala Stair both finished fifth each in the 100-meter dash and 1600-meter run, respectively.

Full Boys results (<u>click here</u>) Full Girls results (<u>click here</u>)