

# Island Sports

## Caitie Kelly sets new school vault record

By Stephanie Heelan Cotsonas

The regular season has come and gone for the North Kingstown High School girls' track and field team and preparations are underway for the state meet. There are 11 islanders on the 84 member roster.

North ended the regular season with a record of 7-1, their only loss to South Kingstown. The Skippers easily beat Exeter-West Greenwich, Prout, Narragansett, Coventry, Chariho, East Greenwich, Warwick and Westerly.

The first state meet qualifier was held last weekend at the Curtis Corner Middle School in Wakefield. The Skippers placed third out of 24 teams at the Schomp Invitational and were led by the returning state champion pole vaulter, Caitie Kelly of Jamestown.

Kelly took first place with a jump of 9-feet, 9-inches, breaking her own school record of 9-feet, 6-inches set a week earlier. Kelly was thrilled with her jump. "Even breaking three inches in the last week was huge. I got stuck at 9-foot sophomore and junior year and never moved up; I just went 9 inches in one week." Kelly received the MVP award for field events chosen by officials and coaches.

Also in the pole vault, Tiphani Comena of North Kingstown and islander Kyra Reppe took fourth and fifth, respectively, both with jumps of 7-feet, 6-inches.

Erin Brennan led North in the distance events and took third place in the 3000-meters with a season best time of 11:03.20. Caitlin Downing placed ninth in the 100-meter hurdles, also with a season best time of 50.7. Saunder-

stown resident Chelsea Tetreault won the event with a time of 46.7.

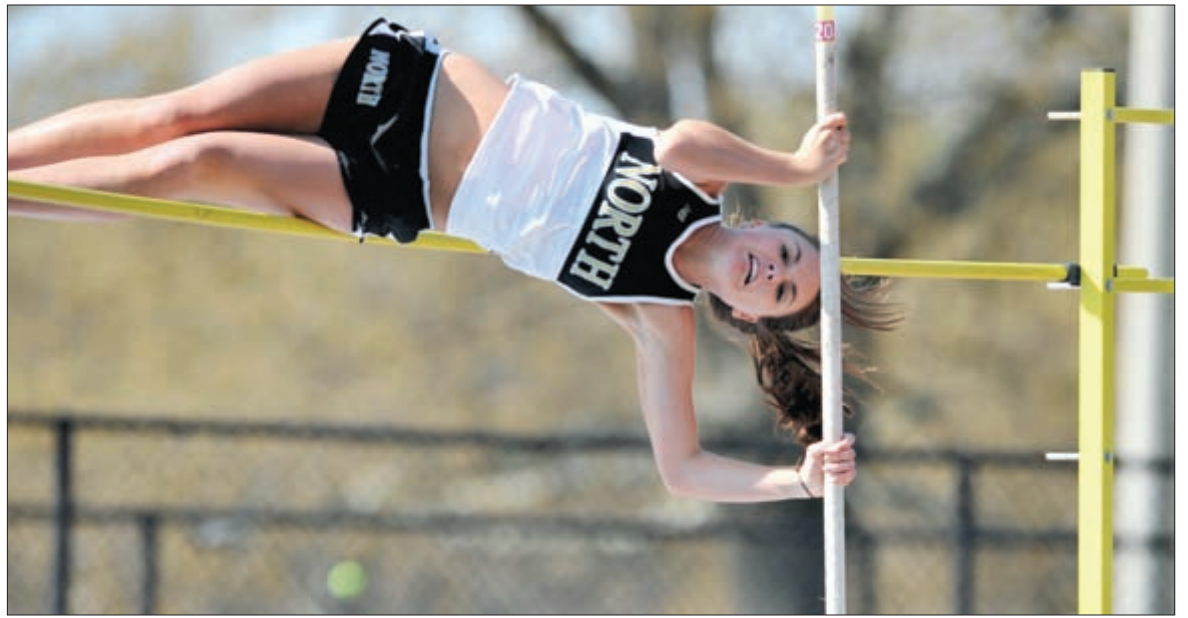
Head Coach Jen Chabot said Downing did a great job at Schomp. "She (Downing) and Chelsea (Tetreault) have been working extremely hard mastering their hurdles. They are not injured right now, but they are sore so we have been trying to take it easy on these guys."

The 4x400-meter relay team took first place. The team included Erin Brennan who ran a spectacular anchor leg to beat Westerly by two tenths of a second for a time of 4:19.30. The other relay team members were Alexa Mazur, Alicia Kurdziel and Nicole DeCristoforo all of North Kingstown. Meaghan McGovern of North Kingstown won the hammer throw at 48.46 meters.

After 19 events, North took third place overall behind South Kingstown and Barrington.

"Schomp is a really good meet. I tell the girls it is like a mini-states before states to give them a heads up of who their competition will be. It gave them a little insight into what will happen at states," Chabot said.

Other islanders on the track and field team include sophomore Hannah Farrelly, who has been consistent in the long jump, taking sixth place in the first three meets. In the fourth meet she tied for third place with Kelsey White of North Kingstown. She has also been competing in the 100-meter dash all season and took fifth place in the last dual meet with a time of 14.2. Chabot is pleased with Farrelly this season. "Hannah got her PR in the long jump and she will be running and jumping in the



Jamestown Caitie Kelly vaulted for a school record of 9-feet, 9-inches at the Schomp Invitational on Saturday. Kelly was the state champion in the event last year. Photo by David Zapatka

division meet. Her 100-meter dash time is coming down, too."

Throughout the season Kate Bednarczyk has been competing for North in the disc and the hammer. Katie Matley has been running the 800-meters in every meet while Rory Kirby and Danielle Perez have been competing in the 1500-meters. Eliza Chase has been running both the 100 and 200-meter dash.

In addition to Downing, Cate Brennan has consistently competed in both the 100 and 300-meter hurdles where she regularly places and scores points for the Skippers. In the distance events Erin Brennan continues to lead North in the 1500-meters and the 3000-meters.

"We are good in the jumps and the throws; Meg McGovern is one of the best throwers in the state.

We are pretty covered in the field events where normally we were kind of struggling. In the distance events we are still pretty strong, as well as the middle distances. We are probably weakest in the sprints but have a few fast kids," Chabot said of the depth of her squad this

season.

There are three more meets for the Skippers to qualify individually for the state meet to be held on June 7 at Brown University. The Class A Championship Meet will be held on May 24 at Mount Pleasant High School.

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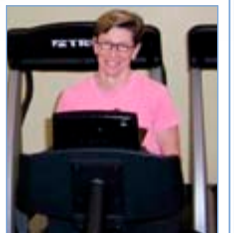
#### One "Tuff" Run

I write to share of my successful completion of the 12th Annual St. John VI "8 Tuff Miles" road race. The course is "tuff" — 5 miles up to about 1,000 feet, and then 3 miles steeply down.

Thanks to Dr. Fadale's arthroscopy, Dr. Sullivan's orthotics, Don Levine's physical therapy regimen and Barbara Lundy's Jamestown Fitness Center to keep me fit, I not only finished the race in 1:33:38, 93rd of 339 women, but finished 3rd in my class of women 60-64.

The race has been a goal of mine for several years. Wonder what I'll come up with for next year's goal?!

— Carol Craft, Jamestown



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