

1988 State Meet...

In other finals, Margaret Isaac of Belleuve did not place in the girls AAA high jump.

In semifinal races, Shannon Carter of Ross finished second in both the 100 and 300 hurdles semifinals. In the 100-hurdles, the Ross senior has the fifth quickest time of 15.32 seconds and in the 300s, Carter's 43.75 seconds is third fastest.



SHANNON CARTER knocks down a hurdle while on her way to a third place finish in the Class AAA 300-meter hurdles Saturday in Columbus.

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Kesler wins state high jump

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COLUMBUS — Hope Kesler of Old Fort won her second successive Class A high jump title Saturday at the 14th Ohio High School Girls Track and Field Meet.

Kesler leaped 5 feet, 7 inches on a windy, mid-70-degree day at Ohio Stadium on The Ohio State University Campus. The height equaled her personal best and matched that of the record leap she had at the regional meet in Brooklyn seven days before.

"I was hoping that the wind would not bother me," she said, "and I wanted it to get warmer."

She got her wish as the wind died and a cloudless sky allowed

the sun to bake the all-weather jumping surface. She did have a case of nerves but only after she had won the title. They caught up with her while she was attempting 5-8, a height she was unable to clear.

"I cleared it in practice earlier this week," Kesler said, "but I think it was nerves (that she could not clear it.)"

Kesler's first place, worth 10 meet points, put Old Fort in an 11-way tie for 10th in the state.

Also Saturday, Shannon Carter of Ross closed out her four-year high school career with a second in the Class AAA girls 100-meter hurdles and a third in the 300-meter hurdles. Carter's 14 meet points gave Ross a 10th place finish.

Carter, who will attend the University of Arkansas on a full track scholarship in the fall, ran the 100s in 14.63 seconds, finishing behind to the 14.39 of Tonja Buford of Dayton Meadowdale.

Carter was noticeably downcast for a few moments after the race.

"I just wanted to win," she said quietly while waiting to receive her award. "I had a good start and a good finish but I hit a couple of hurdles in the middle."

In the 300s, Carter was second for three-quarters of the race but hit a hurdle and surrendered the runner-up slot to Buford, who ran the distance in 42.82 seconds

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Force down 3-0 after overtime loss

Associated Press

RICHFIELD — Zoran Karic scored just 1:28 into overtime to lift the San Diego Sockers to a 3-2 victory over the Cleveland Force Sunday night and a 3-0 lead in the Major Indoor Soccer League's best-of-seven championship series.

Karic scored from just outside the right side of the penalty box, after taking a pass in stride from Fernando Clavijo. The play was set up when Clavijo gained control of the ball in San Diego's half of the field and broke down the left side.

The San Diego road win before 10,705 marks the first time in the

league's 10-year history that a team has taken a 3-0 lead in a championship series. The Sockers won the first two games in San Diego. Cleveland hosts the fourth game Tuesday night.

Cleveland's Craig Allen forced overtime with 1:55 remaining in regulation. The Force used a sixth attacker, and Allen scored from the right corner after taking a pass off the boards from Kai Haaskivi.

The only goals in the first half came in a 17-second span. San Diego's Juli Veeve scored on a breakaway goal off an assist from Brian Quinn with 3:09 left in the first quarter. Haaskivi tied the

game on an unassisted goal from 28 feet with 2:52 left in the quarter.

After a scoreless second quarter, the Sockers took a 2-1 lead 10:43 into the third quarter. Waad Hirmez scored from just outside the goal mouth, after taking a pass from Karic.

San Diego goalkeeper Jim Gorsek left with 13:14 remaining in regulation with a nose injury after a collision with Allen. Gorsek, who had made several difficult saves, was replaced by Zoltan Toth, who raised his playoff record to 8-2. Cleveland goalkeeper P.J. Johns saw his playoff record slip to 7-5.