Mark, Set, GO!

Regional qualifer Gizmo Ruiz sprints the curve of the 200 meter dash. Ruiz qualified for regional in the long jump, the 100m dash and the 200m dash. Ruiz's bests were: 11:03 in the 100, 22.4 in the 200, and 20'6 1/2" in the long jump.







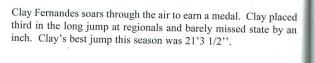




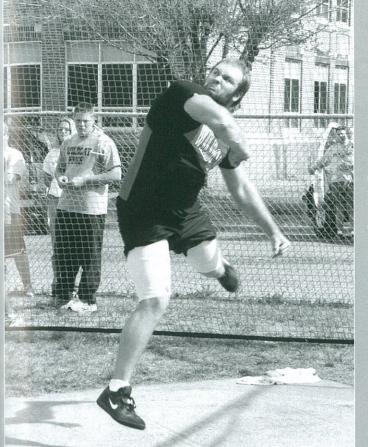




2004 Boys Track Team: back - M. Thomas, J. Harrison, W. Wilkinson, G. Ruiz, G. Shackelford, R. Raska, N. Simpson, C. Carroll, J. Velencia; middle - D. Gray, C. Lujan, J. Swanson, D. Tarr, G. Wolf, C. Fernandes, D. Chaves, B. Youngblood, C. Ceron, D. Mendoza; bottom - C. Thomas







Gil Shackelford sends a discus far down the field at Wildcat Relays. Gil advanced to the regional level in both discus and shot put, and to state in the shot.



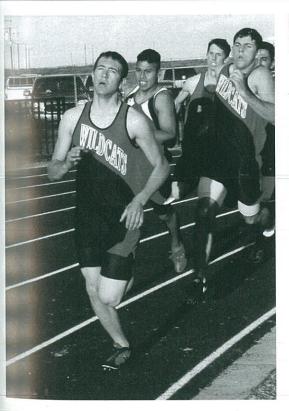
Shack Attack

Senior Gil Shackelford closed out an outstanding high school athletic career on May 16, at the State Track Meet by finishing fourth in the shot put event with a toss of 51'7". During the school year, Gil also received numerous awards and honors for his performance in football and basketball. In fact, his skill on the football field earned him a scholarship to Eastern New Mexico University.

Even though the year stands as a huge success, it also brought big disappointment. Just prior to the Region I Track Meet, Gil suffered a shoulder injury while playing touch football. Up until this meet, he had had the best discus throw of the year for division 1A athletes. Dispite his incapacitation, Gil manage a distance that came within inches of a state berth as he finished third.

The pride, dedication and determination Gil Shackelford displayed during the 2003-2004 sports year exemplifies the essence of Wildcat Spirit.







Junior Jeremy Harrison launches the discus at the Wink Wildcat Relays.

Senior Garrett Wolf sprints around the final curve of the 800m run. Wolf also ran in the 1600m and



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