

Trojans Stride to Victory at Christian County Invitational

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WEBSTER COUNTY, KY - Paced by four top 25 finishes, the Webster County boys' cross country team won its first invitational of the season.

Just two weeks away from the regional meet, the Trojans seem to be peaking at exactly the right time of the season. WCHS dominated 18 teams in the very talented Christian County Invitational held in Hopkinsville on Saturday.

The Trojans should be odds-on favorite for the Class AA, Region 1 title, hosted by Webster County at Wingshadow Golf Course on Nov. 6. WC junior Jon Ashby continues to shave time off his 5K effort, placing second overall in the race with a 16:51.68 clocking. Christian County senior Sean Hurd, one of the top 5-A runners in the state, won the individual title in 16:05.83.

Webster tied Muhlenberg County with 85 points in team standing, but the Trojans claimed the title with the fastest #5 runner. WC freshman Anthony Pryor was 30th overall while the Mustang's fifth runner placed 43rd.

Juanshae Baker was next in for the Trojans, finishing 13th in 17:56.04, his fastest time of the season. Iszack Whitsell, another WCHS freshman, was 21st (18:11.80) while eighth grader Trey Ross was right on his heels in 22nd-position (18:12.87).

Pryor captured the 30th place (18:41.61) while Cody Robinson, another freshman, was 62nd (19:41.70). Trey Drury was 67th (19:50.84), followed by freshman Jon Jacob Gibson in 86th (20:33.65).

Nolan Pettit, yet another WCHS freshman) was 95th (20:49.97), Zac Shoulders, an eighth grader, was 103rd (21:03.65) and sophomore Jalen Wallace was 112th (21:22.31). Blake Hardison, freshman, finished 114th (21:23.40), followed by Jeremy Fredrick in 150th-position (24:34.36).

Team Standings

1. Webster County 85
2. Muhlenberg County 85
3. Christian County 107
4. Marshall County 124
5. Clarksville NW 130
6. Paducah St. Mary 176
7. Kenwood High 231
8. Graves County 237
9. Madisonville-North 241
10. Heath 247
11. Hopkinsville 269
12. Rossvie 277
13. Fort Campbell 296
14. Reidland 300
15. Calloway County 371
16. Dawson Springs 429

17. Lone Oak 432
18. Paducah Tilghman 524

In Saturday's girls race, Webster County finished a strong fourth place, claiming three top 25 spots. WC also raced without the services of one of its top runners, Cassidy Thomas.

Ali Cherry was first in for the Lady Trojans, taking 19th-place in 22:30.08. Muhlenberg County sophomore Lindsey Mathis won the race in 19:53.92.

WC's Kolbie Edens was 22nd overall in 22:54.37 while Hannah Pritchett was close behind in 24th position and a 22:57.71 clocking.

Kaylee Duncan was 33rd overall (23:29.19), Madison Townsend was 55th (25:11.2), Mercedes Haney 74th (26:22.50) and Lauren Stinnett 78th (26:46.35).

Team Standings

1. Muhlenberg County 39
2. Graves County 86
3. Rossvieview 91
4. Webster County 113
5. Hopkinsville 138
6. Fort Campbell 179
7. Dawson Springs 191
8. Clarksville NW 193
9. Lone Oak 194
10. Madisonville-North 208
11. Marshall County 250
12. Christian County 310

Webster County also enjoyed success in the boys' 4K middle school race, finish third out of a strong eight-team race. Madisonville-North Hopkins won the race with 63 points while Graves County was second (72) and Webster County third (90).

WC seventh grader Trevor Cole was first in, placing ninth overall in 16:43.04. Graves County sixth grader Chris Toon won the individual championship with a lightning-fast 15: 47.73.

Robert Daugherty was 13th (16:57.01), Jacob Fritz 14th (16:59.83), Zack Pugh 27th (17:49.09), Spencer McCommick 56th (19:43.96), Reece Clayton 63rd (20:50.74), Hunter Phillips 64th (20:57.57), Cole Lovan 65th (21:16.15), Walker Durbin 68th (21:45.02) and Logan May 70th (21:59.32).

Webster County also had several elementary 1600 meter entries including Sadie Wurth's six-place finish with a clocking of 8:01.56. Sara Baker was 21st overall in 9:23.64.

WC elementary boys results showed Noah Duncan in 22nd-place (8:50.86) and Garrett West in 27th position (9:14.90).