

Louisburg girls finish third at Wellsville as Wildcats medal four



Louisburg junior Emma Vohs finished fifth overall Thursday at the Wellsville Invitational and helped the Wildcat girls to a third place team finish.

WELLSVILLE – For the second time in three weeks, the Louisburg girls cross country team found itself in the upper-half of the team standings.

The Lady Cat runners finished third Thursday at the Wellsville Invitational to earn team medals with 100 points. Louisburg also had four runners earn individual awards, as well.

Juniors Emma Vohs, Lola Edwards and Maddy Rhamy all earned individual medals to help the Louisburg cause.

On the boys side, sophomore Jerynce Brings Plenty garnered an individual medal to lead the Wildcats.

“Wellsville is always a wee bit different for us as we are coming off of a big meet last Saturday at Wamego,” Louisburg coach John Reece said. “Racing again on Thursday is tough. We use the meet as a learning tool and do some different race tactics during the run.

“With that said, the girls executed the tactics very well as shown by their team finish. Emma got out there and ran a great

race from start to finish.”



Louisburg junior Erin Apple competes against a pack of runners Thursday at Wellsville.

Vohs had a strong race for Louisburg as she was up toward the front for much of it. She finished fifth overall with a time of 21 minutes and 39 seconds.

Edwards and Rhamy ran together for much of the race as well, as both were able to sneak into the medals. Edwards took 24th in 23:21 and Rhamy was 25th in 23:22.

Prairie View's Bree Allen won the meet with a time of 19:40.

Louisburg senior Bree Gassman was fourth on the Lady Cat team as she took 39th in 24:48. Senior Nova Ptacek was 48th in 25:56 and junior Erin Apple was 52nd in 26:10.



Louisburg sophomore Jerynce Brings Plenty medaled 11th overall Thursday at Wellsville.

Brings Plenty medaled 11th in 18:15 to lead the Louisburg boys and ran with the leader – Wellsville's Nash McDaniel – for the first part of the race. McDaniel won in 17:07.

"Jerynce really pressed early on and faded some as racing so close together is difficult," Reece said. "The team ran well with some stiff competition and gained valuable knowledge from their performances."

Junior Noah Cotter took 29th overall and finished in 19:50, while senior Leo Martin was 31st in 20:01. Seniors Ethan Ptacek (20:46) and Landan Henry (20:50) took 40th and 41st, respectively.



Louisburg junior Max LaJoie (left) and senior Ethan Ptacek (right) work their way up the field Thursday at Wellsville.

Sophomore Ben Proctor was 43rd in 20:56 and junior Max LaJoie took 53rd in 22:19. As a team, the Wildcats finished fifth with 117 points.

Louisburg is back in action this Thursday when it travels to the Prairie View Invitational. Races are set to begin at 3:30 p.m.