

Louisburg medals four at home invitational



Louisburg senior Noah Cotter stays with a Blue Valley Northwest runner Thursday during the Louisburg Invitational. Cotter was one of four Wildcat medalists on the day.

The Louisburg cross country team concluded its regular season Thursday and got to do so on its home course.

The Wildcats hosted the Louisburg Invitational at Lewis-Young Park in one final tune-up before their postseason schedule kicks into high gear. Louisburg was in good form as it ended up with four medals.

In the team standings, both the boys and girls squads finished in fourth place overall.

“It is always a good day when you can host a home meet,” Louisburg coach John Reece said. “The community did show up to support the runners, which was nice to see. Our course is deceptively tough, but the runners did a great job.”

Jerynce Brings Plenty once again led the Wildcat runners. The Louisburg junior was up front throughout much of the race and

finished third in 17 minutes and 17 seconds to a pair of Blue Valley Northwest runners.

Senior Noah Cotter ended his final Louisburg Invitational with a medal as well. Cotter finished ninth overall in 17:58.



Louisburg junior Ben Proctor stays with a group of runners Thursday at the Louisburg Invitational.

“Jerynce ran a great race and yet again put himself in position to battle for the top spot, but just missed out to two great runners,” Reece said. “Noah found himself a little back, but made up ground during the race to garnish his last LHS Invitational medal.”

Freshmen Levi Cotter (19:02) and Truman Ellison (20:04) were next on the Wildcat team as they took 20th and 28th, respectively. Junior Ben Proctor (20:58) and freshman Spencer Mattison (21:49) were 38th and 45th.



Louisburg senior Maddy Rhamy led the Wildcat girls as she medaled 14th.

On the girls side, the Wildcats earned a pair of medals and Maddy Rhamy led the way. The Louisburg senior was 14th overall in 23:32 and senior Lola Edwards was right behind her in 15th in 23:42.

“On the girls side of things, they keep competing well and Maddy and Lola continue to lead the group,” Reece said. “It was nice to see them medal in their last home meet. I’m sure it was bittersweet for all the seniors to run it one last time.”



Louisburg's freshman Talen McMurray and senior Erin Apple race uphill Thursday to begin the race at Lewis-Young Park.

Freshman Talen McMurray (26:05) and senior Erin Apple (26:17) finished 24th and 25th, respectively. Sophomore Lila Edwards took 27th in 27:06.

Louisburg will begin its postseason run this Thursday when the Wildcats travel to the Frontier League Invitational. Races begin at 4:30 p.m. at Lexington Lake Park in De Soto.