

Cotter, Brings Plenty earn medals for Wildcat cross country



Louisburg sophomore Levi Cotter competed in the Wellsville Invitational last Thursday and took 23rd overall to earn a medal.

WELLSVILLE – Levi Cotter and Jerynce Brings Plenty both earned medals this past week, but they each did it at a different venue.

Cotter and the Wildcat team competed at the Wellsville Invitational last Thursday and the Louisburg sophomore earned a medal with a 23rd place finish.

As for Brings Plenty, he competed on his own Saturday at the Baldwin Invitational and earned an 11th place medal. It was a

successful week for the Wildcats just days after competing at a challenging Wamego Invite.

“The boys ran well considering they had run Wamego just 5 days before,” Louisburg coach John Reece said. “They ran controlled first miles then worked their way up through the runners. It was great to see Levi medal with such a short turnaround between meets.”

Cotter led the 3-member Wildcat group in 23rd in 19 minutes and 40 seconds, while two other members finished just outside the medals.

Truman Ellison was 31st in 20:26 and Spencer Mattison was right behind him in 20:34 for 33rd place.

On the girls side, sophomore Talen McMurray led the Wildcats in 34th overall in 25:51 and freshman Hailey Shelton was 45th in 26.52.



Louisburg sophomore Ella Bockelman tries to pass a Frontenac

runner Thursday at the Wellsville Invitational.

Sophomore Ella Bockelman was 56th in 28:15 and sophomore Luciana Vallejo took 71st. Reagan Smith rounded out the Wildcat lineup in 78th.

“All things considered, especially with the heat, the girls ran strong,” Reece said. “We are making steady gains and hope to make a big step forward as a team at Prairie View this week.”

On Saturday, Brings Plenty took part in the Baldwin Invitational in a meet full of Class 5A and 6A competition. The Louisburg senior more than held his own as he medaled 11th in 17:44 at the Baldwin City Golf Course.

“Jerynce ran a very competitive race at Baldwin,” Reece said. “There were mostly 5A and 6A schools there so an 11th place finish was great. He will have great competition this week at Rim Rock.”

Brings Plenty will compete at the Rim Rock Classic in Lawrence this Saturday, while the rest of the Wildcats will travel to the Prairie View Invitational on Thursday.