

Boys run 3rd, girls 2nd in Corn Belt Conference

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The Corn Belt Conference cross country meet, often a barometer of how member teams will do in state competition, offered few if any surprises last Saturday.

Pontiac, the conference's double-A enrollment school, won the boys title for the seventh straight time, with Normal U-High running second and Mahomet-Seymour third. Olympia repeated as girls champion, with Mahomet-Seymour placing second.

Point totals of the boys leaders were: Pontiac 24, U-High 49, and Mahomet 73. Tops in the girls race were: Olympia 22 and Mahomet 41.

It was a windy day on the

Pontiac Elks Country Club course.

Craig Black of Pontiac won the boys race with a 3-mile time of 16:07. For Mahomet-Seymour, Danny Nielsen ran fifth, Burt Huddleston 13th, Brian Easter 14th, and Hans Waters 19th.

Becky Anderson of Olympia was first in the girls run, timed for 2.23 miles in 14:41. Mahomet-Seymour's Laura Batsie finished second, while teammates Barbara King, Jacqui Harland, Jill Yost, and Tara Treat placed sixth, seventh, 12th, and 14th respectively.

Last Thursday, M-S coach John King didn't run the boys varsity in a triangular at Argenta, still the team won with a score of 49, and no scores were

kept for the girls competition.

For the boys, Jason Lasater ran fourth in 17:19 and Derek Short sixth in 17:43. For the girls, Mindy Carpenter finished eighth in 16:00 and King ninth in 16:04.

Mahomet-Seymour will host a nine-school Class A boys regional meet this Friday. M-S girls, bidding in their new Class A competition, won't start until Saturday, October 29, in a sectional meet at Paxton.

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