

Sports

Bulldog girls' cross country Apollo Conference Champs, soccer wins consecutive matches



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Mahomet-Seymour's boys' soccer team continued its torrid late-season streak, winning matches on consecutive nights to start the week.

The Bulldogs, 10-1-3 in their last 14 matches, edged Lincoln 3-2 in Monday's rescheduled Senior Night match and then handled Effingham,

7-1 on Tuesday.

Austin Carr and Kady Jones each put up three goals and two assists against Effingham.

Colton Brunner also had a goal while other teammates with assists were Marc Majeres, Ethan Mansfield and Joah Moore.

Carr, who has a team-high 22 goals, collected two goals as the Bulldogs topped Lincoln by the same 3-2 score they won the series opener in last month.

Jones also scored against Lincoln.

Mansfield, who is tied with Jones for the team lead with 10 assists, added two more against the Railsplitters. Carr also had an assist.

The Bulldogs, 7-1-3 in Apollo Conference matches, play their regular-season finale tonight at Taylorville.

Girls' golf

Three Bulldogs competed in the Auburn Class 1A Sectional on Monday, but none were able to qualify for state.

Emma Amjad tied for 33rd in the 108-player field with a 98. It took an 89 to make the state cut.

Sarah Amjad tied for 69th with a 110 and Emma Yates carded a 122 to finish 94th.

Boys' golf

Brandon Collins fired a 96 in Monday's Lincoln Class 2A Sectional, but was unable to secure a state tournament berth.



A 78 was required in order to meet the state cut in the 112-player field.

Girl' cross-country

The fourth-ranked (Class 2A) M-S squad swept the top positions in Tuesday's Apollo Conference meet at Scovill Golf Course, in Decatur.

The Bulldogs won team honors and had the top two individuals.

Elizabeth Sims was timed in 19 minutes, 48 seconds for the 3-mile course, beating teammate Brisa McGrath (20:04) in the individual race.

Overall, the Bulldogs had five all-conference runners.

Teammates who also placed among the top 10 to earn that recognition were Grace Lietz (fourth in 20:22), Olivia Bunting (fifth in 20:28) and Delaney King (sixth in 20:33).

Eight other squad members also competed at the conference meet.

Madi Balbach was 11th in 21:42, Klein Powell was 12th in 21:51, Emily Bednar was 13th in 21:53, Chloe Allen was 19th in 22:55, Fiona Taylor was 27th in 24:02, Gretchen Scheele was 33rd in 25:04, Natalie Parrott was 41st in 26:19 and Tessa Ray was 62nd in 40:24.

M-S had a composite score of 18 and clinched the team championship. Mount Zion was the runner-up.

Boys' cross-country

M-S' Mathias Powell was the dominant runner in the Apollo Conference meet at the hilly Scovill Golf Course, in Decatur.

The individual champion, covering the 3-mile course in 15 minutes, 52.40 seconds, Powell was triumphant by 33.42 seconds.

He is a three-time all-conference runner.

Other Bulldogs in the top 10 were Kyle Nofziger (eighth in 16:52.29) and Bryson Keeble (10th in 17:34.91).

Eleven other Bulldogs were among the competitors in the 72-runner field.

David Wilcoski was 13th in 18:03.10, Joseph Scheele was 19th in 18:51.87, Joe Taylor was 20th in 18:58.56, Peter Slezak was 23rd in 19:22.00, Jonah Singer was 25th in 19:26.18, Gaven Williams was 26th in 19:31.08, Avery Seaman was 32nd in 19:53.66, Gabe Wisnasky was 43rd in 20:42.12, Josh Wilcoski was 44th in 20:42.90, Chase Misenheimer was 52nd in 21:20.97 and Karsten Waisath was 53rd in 21:29.84.

In the team competition, M-S placed second to Mount Zion. Both squads are ranked among the top 20 in the state in Class 2A.

Volleyball

M-S (15-10) won for the fifth time in its last six matches on Tuesday, sweeping visiting Clinton, 25-23, 25-16.

Savannah Matthews had nine kills and 11 digs. Amber Yeakel had eight kills and Josie Hess collected 14 digs.

Kayin Garner handed out 23 assists. Lauren Minick served three aces and Brooklyn Houser had two blocks.

The Bulldogs return to action tonight at Effingham.

Girls' swimming

One night after placing second in a five-school meet at Pontiac, M-S was second on Wednesday in a four-team meet at Urbana.

Urbana Uni High had 202 points, followed by M-S (149), Urbana (97) and St. Thomas more (57).

The Bulldogs had two individual winners: diver Carly Raver (163.80 points) and 100-yard freestyler Olivia McMurry (1 minute, 3.45 seconds).