

MAHOMET-SEYMOUR BOYS' CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM

Normal U-High edges out Bulldogs at invite

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MAHOMET — Kyle Nofziger and Joseph Scheele delivered big-time performances on Tuesday to help the Mahomet-Seymour boys cross-country team finish second at the 53rd annual Normal University High Invite.

Nofziger placed second overall with a brilliant time of 15 minutes, 50.90 seconds. Scheele was right on his heels, placing third with a time of 15:56.40.

M-S finished with 52 team points but they were edged out by Normal U-High by two points.

M-S had four runners finish in the top 15. Jonah Singer placed 11th overall with a time of 16:49.10. He improved one minute and 19 seconds from his season-best time. Nick Mies finished the three-mile course in 17 minutes to place 15th. Mies tied his season-best time to finish in the top 15.

Josh Wilcoski cruised to a 24th-place finish, and Hayden Grotelueschen



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The Mahomet-Seymour boys' cross-country team finished second at the Normal University High Invite.

placed 27th in the 166-man race. Joe Taylor took home 34th place, and Gage Williams cruised to a 39th-place finish. Both Taylor and Williams finished with a time that was under 18 minutes. Taylor Fan (49th), Ben Wallace (54th), Kartsen Waisaith (76th) and Peter Slezak (79th) all finished in the top half. Fan and Wallace both ran the best time of their lives on Tuesday. Slezak took off an impressive 60 seconds from his time.

"Peter Slezak had one of the best improvements on

the team," head coach Neal Garrison said. "It is rare to have someone improve this much at this point in the season."

Garrison has his Bulldogs rounding into form at the right time. Nearly every single runner that ran for M-S shaved time off his personal record. That's remarkable coaching.

Looking ahead

M-S will host the Apollo Conference meet at 5 p.m. Tuesday at Lake of the Woods.

MAHOMET-SEYMOUR BOYS' SOCCER

Squad responds to tough stretch

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MAHOMET — The Mahomet-Seymour boys soccer team is in the midst of a brutal two-week schedule, but head coach Jeremy Davis isn't making any excuses. If M-S wants to make a deep postseason run, they'll need to beat teams like this. His squad has responded and is battling the best programs in the

ed it past the keeper for the game-tying goal.

That kept M-S atop the Apollo Conference standings. M-S is now 12-4-2 and 7-0-1 in the Apollo after the tie on Tuesday. Logan Woodward, Eli Warren and Jones all had goals for the Bulldogs.

Champaign Central 2, M-S 1. Champaign Central and M-S competed in a doozy of a nonconference

Warren broke the single-season points record when he drilled two goals to help M-S outlast a tough Charleston squad 3-1. Warren has been a standout for the Bulldogs soccer team all season long. Charleston tried to stack the box with nine or ten defenders and take away Jake Janda. So, the Bulldogs adjusted and Warren took full advantage.