

Wichita County CC: Breakthrough Run For Huber at Johnson

Sophomore Nicole Huber capped a great week of racing with a 2nd place overall finish at the Stanton County Invitational meet held on 9/25/10. The race is run with all runners together and then the large schools (3A/4A) are divided out from the small schools (1A/2A). Greeley County's Kennedy Schneider was the class of the race with a 59 second victory over the field of 72 competitors. Huber ran a perfect race, starting in the mid 30's and gradually working her way through the field. Her final sprint to the finish line helped her to pass Hugoton's Aubrey Hamlin and Ulysses' KaLea Barlow to claim 2nd place with a personal record (PR) time of 16:58, a 38 second improvement. Teammate Hannah Mehl also ran to a new PR (18:04) while claiming 10th in the small school division, 18th overall. Junior Lindsay Schumacher ran her best race of the season with a time of 20:20, good for 29th place.

Freshman Joshua Mehl continues to improve as he claimed 7th place overall and 3rd in the small school division with a PR time of 18:00. Like Huber, Mehl started way back in the field, 45th after ¼ mile, and then gradually moved up the field. His final sprint was just shy of two competitors, class 2A foe Seph Iman of Elkhart (17:59) and Hugoton's Jacob Martin with an identical time of 18:00. Junior Justin Kiser (22:15) led teammate senior Mario Mancillas (22:16) around his first career cross country race as they finished 42nd and 43rd respectively.

Our boys and girls teams ran with less than 5 runners so we were not included in team scoring. We hope to have teammates back for next Saturday's race at Syracuse.

The middle school runners pulled off the unthinkable as each runner ran a PR on this mile course. Autumn Smades placed 6th in the 8th grade division with a 19 second PR, while Dylon Niswonger came in 4th in the 7th grade division. 7th grader Evan Ridder had the greatest improvement with a 27 second PR. 114 middle school boys ran while 71 girls toured the course. These runners will also participate Saturday at Syracuse.

Girls: 4 K (2.48 M)	time	pl	Boys: 5 K (3.1 M)	time	pl
Nicole Huber	16:58	2	Joshua Mehl	18:00	3
Hannah Mehl	18:04	10	Justin Kiser	22:15	42
Lindsay Schumacher	20:20	29	Mario Mancillas	22:16	43

Mile Run	time	pl		time	pl
Autumn Smades- 8th	6:37	6	Dylon Niswonger- 7 th	5:57	4
Brittany Hermosillo -8 th	7:28	18	Kyler Long- 7 th	6:19	15
			Jacob Schumacher- 7 th	6:26	18
			Joshua Clark-8 th	6:33	26
			Evan Ridder- 7 th	6:43	25
			Jacob Clark-8 th	6:51	33