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The Perkins County Invitational and South Platte Valley Association cross country competition were hosted by Perkins County on Thursday, Oct. 8. The race is run once, but scored twice to tabulate statistics for the two competitions.

A brisk day that threatened rain made the participants bundle up for their run through the Grant Golf Course.

In SPVA action, Perkins County girls were second with a team score of 30, behind North Platte St. Pat's with 15 points.

"I was thrilled for the girls," said Coach Paula Wurst. "It is nice for them to be SPVA runners up. They are running their best times at the right time, with district this week."

Coming in second place with a time of 17:12 was Ashley Kemling of Perkins County. Senior Lady Plainsman Brooke Poppe finished ninth in 19:03. Both girls were slightly short of their best times.

Jessi Hoffert and Krystal Gaar both ran season personal records.

On the boys' side, Perkins County finished in third place at SPVA, with Rassel Hausman finishing in the fourth place spot with a time of 18:53.

"Rassel ran a fantastic race, running with the lead pack by the first half mile, and finishing a strong fourth," said Wurst. "He and Kyle Bottom (Chase County) worked well together, encouraging each other throughout the race."

Markus Wehrmann, Jake Sexson and Seth Burge also worked well together, Wurst said. "I am excited to see their strong pack developing."

Brian Krajewski ran one of his strongest races of the year and Pierre Schmitt finished well in spite of an injury. Mark Hanson and Zac White also had fine races, Wurst said.

She hopes to see Josh Sexson, who has been battling injury and illness, healthy by districts on Thursday.

SPVA

Girls' Team Scores:

1. North Platte St. Pats 15
2. Perkins County 30
3. Chase County 49
4. Hershey 49

Maxwell nts

Sutherland nts

Girls' Individual Results:

(top 10 medalists)

1. Mandy O'Malley, NPSP 16:14

2. Ashley Kemling, PC 17:12
3. Magie Vinton, NPSP 18:01
4. Erin Baldrige, Her 18:04
5. Megan Niesen, NPSP 18:53
6. Emmie Keenan, NPSP 18:56
7. Shelbi Burke, Suth 18:56
8. Shayna Allberry, NPSP 18:58
9. Brooke Poppe, PC 19:03
10. Kacia Smith, CC 19:06

Other PC Finishers

(out of 23 runners)

12. Jessi Hoffert 19:33
13. Krystal Gaar 19:40

Boys' Team Scores:

1. Chase County 26
2. North Platte St. Pats 30
3. Perkins County 45
4. Maxwell 58
5. Sutherland 64

Hershey NTS

Boys' Individual Results

(top 10 medalists)

1. Tyler Talbot, CC 18:05
2. Sean O'Malley, NPSP 18:18
3. Kyle Bottom, CC 18:49
4. Rassel Hausman, PC 18:53
5. Kevin Cosman, NPSP 19:19
6. P. Troshynski, NPSP 19:32
7. Jon Machacek, Suth 19:45
8. Alec Spady, CC 20:02
9. Michael Osbon, Max 20:15
10. Taylor Staggs, Suth 20:18

Other PC Finishers

(out of 33 runners)

12. Markus Wehrmann 20:36
13. Jake Sexson 20:38
16. Seth Burge 20:51
19. Brian Krajewski 22:02
24. Pierre Schmitt 22:10
26. Mark Hanson 23:38
30. Zac White 26:20



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