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The Plainsmen cross country team joined 21 other teams attending the Kearney Invitational on Monday, Sept. 27, and in spite of unpleasant running conditions, did well, said Coach Paula Wurst.

Temperatures in the 80s with no breeze sounds comfortable enough for spectators, but added to the higher humidity of eastern Nebraska, proved a challenge for the runners used to lower humidity.

The girls seventh place finish was outstanding,” said Coach Wurst. “We continue to close the gap on Dundy County.” The Lady Plainsmen scored 120 points with six finishers.

Ashley Kemling again set another personal record, and finished the race in 16:13. Supporting pack of Jessi Hoffert, Courtney Lyon and Krystal Gaar kept pace and finished a couple minutes

later in 18:41, 18:56 and 19:08 respectively. "They are to be commended," said Coach Wurst.

The boys placed 16th out of 22 teams, sticking close together throughout the race.

"The boys' pack continues to be close together, and this will serve them well in the future," said Wurst. "They are used to sticking together, and I have a feeling that when one of them chooses to take off faster, they will all follow and great things will happen! I continue to be impressed with the effort being made."

Seth Burge had a particularly strong finish at UNK with a time of 21:32.

Girls Team Results

(Top Ten)

1. Bertrand-Loomis 57
2. Hastings St. Cecelia 80
3. Kearney Cath 87
4. Ravenna 94
5. Franklin 107

6. Dundy Co.-Strat 116

7. Perkins County 120

8. Gibbon 121

9. Tri County 157

10. Oakland-Craig 209

Girls Individual Results

(Top Ten)

1. S. Farmer, Hast 15:55.82. 2. G. Mullanix, DC 16:10.4

3. A. Kemling, PC 16:13.6

4. V. Resh, Shelt 16:32

5. K. Kaps, B-L 16:38.6

6. J. Madron, E-F 16:41.2

7. B. Swantek, S.MJ 16:51.8

8. P. Baier, WW 16:51.8

9. H. Meinta, Tri-C 16:53.2

10. J. Randall, Frank 16:55.5

Other Perkins County Finishers

41. Jessi Hoffert 18:41

52. Courtney Lyon 18:56

57. Krystal Gaar 19:08

124. Becca Cornelius 22:43

132. Anna Fournier 23:24

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Boys Team Results

(Top Ten)

1. Neb. Christian 21

2. McCool Jct. 73

3. Dundy Co.-Stratton 77

4. Hastings St. Cecilia 95

5. Malcolm 123

6. Gibbon 123

7. Chase County 125

8. Tri Co 125

9. Thayer Central 130

10. Eus-Farn/Med Val 154

Boys Individual Results

(Top Ten)

1. D. Eckel, Gib 16:58.7
2. J. Potrzeba, HSC 17:33.8
3. A. Epp, NC 17:40.6
4. B. Suhr, McC J 17:42.4
5. H. Epp, NC 17:49.2
6. C. Franklin, Bri 17:58.5
7. D. Dexter, NC 17:59.60
8. J. Landrigan, NC 18:18.30
9. B. Janssen, Alma 18:23.6

10. K. Willet, Mal 18:30.6

Perkins County Finishers

76. Seth Burge 21:32

79. Dalton McCormick 21:38

94. Jake Sexson 22:20

100. Brendon Barry 22:26

109. Robert Engel 23:04

115. Mark Hanson 23:13