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Coach Paula Wurst was very proud of her Perkins County harriers at the home conference meet held last Thursday at the Pheasant Run Golf Course north of Grant.

The Plainsmen girls placed second behind SPVA champs St. Pat’s.

Again setting some season PRs, the girls had medalists among the team, including Emily Kemling, Mariah Curtis, Courtney Lyon and Kendra Hoffert.

The boys placed fourth overall, nearly all of them running PRs as well.

“It’s nice to see the team peaking at the right time,” said Wurst.

Girls Results

Of the six SPVA teams competing, only three had team scores. Athletes from St. Pat’s, Perkins County, Chase County, Maxwell, Sutherland and Hershey ran the course’s 4,000 foot distance.

Medaling in third place was Emily Kemling with a season PR and time of 16:57. Mariah Curtis and Courtney medaled in sixth and seventh place respectively, with Kendra Hoffert coming in at the 14th slot.

Winning the meet was Anna O’Malley of St. Pat’s with a time of 16:33.

Plainsmen Girls

3. E. Kemling 16:57
6. M. Curtis 18:00
7. C. Lyon 18:01
14. K. Hoffert 19:00
21. J. Hoffert 20:27

Team Scores

1. NP St. Pat’s 15
2. Perkins Co. 27
3. Chase Co. 44
4. Maxwell NS
5. Sutherland NS

6. Hershey NS

Boys Results
Coming in at first place on the 5,000 foot course for the boys was Joe O’Malley of North Platte St. Pat’s with a time of 18:27.
Medaling for Perkins County were Mark Hanson and Brendon Barry, placing ninth and 10th respectively and both running career PRs.
Also achieving a season personal record was Jake Sexson, who did a “really nice job sticking with Robert [Engel] who also ran within seconds of his PR,” said Coach Wurst.
She commended the running effort of Brady Mailand, and also of Coy Aerni and Dylan Barry who both ran PRs.
Plainsmen Boys
9. M. Hanson 19:54
10. B. Barry 20:01
15. R. Engel 21:15
16. J. Sexson 21:16
19. B. Mailand 22:22
24. C. Aerni 23:19
25. D. Barry 23:20

Team Scores

1. Chase Co. 18
2. NP St. Pat’s 30
3. Sutherland 49
4. Perkins Co 50
5. Maxwell NS

Next Meet

Perkins County will host Districts (today) Thursday with the top three teams and top 15 individuals earning a berth to the state meet in Kearney on Oct. 19.