



RECORD BREAKER - Crystal Wilson, a junior runner at Maries R-I High School, broke Linn's Cross Country course record. The previous record of 20:55 was held by Jill Singleton of Rolla.

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On Tuesday, October 19, the girls and boys cross country teams participated in the Fatima Invitation, held in Linn. There they faced miserably cold, windy and muddy conditions.

The varsity girls placed second as a team; the varsity boys placed sixth; and the junior varsity boys placed fourth.

Medals were awarded to the top 20 individuals. For the girls, Crystal Wilson, Jody Weed, Lindsay Helton and Whitney Wieberg medalled. For the boys, Romain Garcia (varsity) and Curt Rowden (JV) medalled. Results are as follows:

Varsity Girls: Crystal Wilson, 1st place, 20:54 (new course record); Jody Weed, 7th, 23:21; Lindsay Helton, 13th, 24:07; Whitney Wieberg, 18th, 25:32; Casey Steinman, 25th, 27:28; and Ellie Byrd, 26th, 28:30. Kelley Wieberg also ran that day but was unable to finish due to an injury.

Varsity Boys: Romain Garcia, 20th, 19:12; Bob Surminski, 34th, 20:47; Sam Barnhart, 38th,

21:06; Clayton Weidinger, 40th, 21:22; Rocky Clark, 48th, 25:37; and Tyler Willoughby, 49th, 27:36.

JV Boys: Curt Rowden, 18th, 22:13; Tim Weakly, 21st, 22:41; Blake Rowden, 24th, 23:37; and Brett Alexander, 36th, 28:51.

Coach Woody's comments: "The girls ran extremely well. I was very proud of the way they competed. We keep getting closer and closer to Linn's team. It looks like we're peaking at the right time, going into conference, districts and state. Tuesday's conditions were miserable. It was a tremendous accomplishment for Crystal to set a new course record on the Linn course. On a better day, she could have broken 20 minutes."

"The varsity boys competed really well also. They ran against the defending 1A State Champions from Southwest High School in Washburn. Our boys ran well and look good going into conference."

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