

Eagles run well at Linn Invitational

The Vienna High School Cross Country team traveled to Linn for the 35 team invitational meet on Saturday, Sept. 10.

The varsity boys finished 6th in their division.

Paced again by Bobby Soper, who finished 4th overall with a time of 18:30, the team took it to the competition.

Results for other varsity runners include: Trevor Schiermeier, 29th, 20:28; Seth Nelson, 51st, 21:14; Derick Laubert, 54th, 21:18; Nathan Swyers, 59th, 21:32; Tyler Birdsong, 84th, 23:35; and James Head, 86th, 23:49.

"The boys got a good look at what competition we will have at districts," said Head Coach David Martin.

For the junior varsity boys, Stephen Neubert was the top finisher in 17th place with a time of 22:15 followed by teammates Michael Swyers, 41st, 24:54; and Fred Michel, 650th, 26:31.

In the high school girls race, Hailey Thomas was the top runner for Vienna in 33rd place with a time of 25:17.

Results for the other girl runners included: Danielle Verschueren, 65th, 28:07; Paige Hamm, 67th, 28:11.

"The girls have done a good job working hard in practice and they are ahead of where they were last year at this time," said Martin.

The junior high races were very exciting and competitive. The Vienna boys finished 2nd in the team standings.

Jesse Messersmith won the boys race with a time of 8:54. Other places for the boys included: Brandon Branch 6th, Zac Schoene 32nd, Corey Barton 35th, Seth Duncan 40th, Dylan Rowden 53rd, Adam Helton 65th, Ryan Struempf 86th, Derek Schwartze 88th, Vincent Hollis 96th and Colt Pendleton 101st.

For the junior high girls, Devin Michel led the way with a 48th place finish. Hanna Nelson was 63rd and Shayla Snodgrass finished in 73rd place.

"The junior high runners are having a great year. It is always fun to watch them race," said Martin.

The high school team will travel to Viburnum on Saturday and the junior high will finish their season with the high school at Cuba this coming Tuesday.