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Redskins Win Hays Meet

Redskins Run Down Another Win at Hays

The Liberal Redskin cross country teams competed in the Hays High XC Invite on Thursday. Teams competing were Liberal, Garden City, TMP, Hoisington, Salina Central, Norton, Junction City, Maize South, Dodge City, Goodland, Ness City, Great Bend, Plainville, Ellinwood, Salina South, Oakley, Colby, Natoma, and Hays.

The girls and boys junior varsity teams got the evening started off with some impressive performances. The junior varsity boys brought back four medals. Sophomore Greg McClurg won the junior varsity race in a time of 19:09. Following right behind McClurg, was sophomore Alex Chance. Chance placed third with a time of 19:34. Senior Omar Comacho was the 8th runner to cross the line in 19:59. Sophomore Ryan Doll crossed the line in 20:06 good enough for 10th place. The junior varsity girls were led by sophomore Kacie Matthews who placed 8th, running the course in 19:09. Freshman Saw Ahmara ran the course in 19:14 and was the 11th runner to cross the line.

The varsity girls competed with their third different roster for the season as the runners continue to contend for a spot on the varsity squad. The Lady Redskins were led by Senior Mercy Perez. Perez ran with the lead pack from start to finish, completing the course in 16:41 and earning the 6th place medal. Freshman Camryn Slatten and junior Vanny Diaz were the next Liberal runners placing 20th and 21st place with times of 17:56, and 18:09. The next four Lady Skins ran as a pack placing 34th, 35th, 36th, and 37th, with junior Allyson Nondorf, senior Madison Butler, freshman Sammantha Terrazes, and freshman Yanelly Jurado. The varsity girls placed 4th with 116 points behind Garden City with 22 points, Junction City with 83 points and Dodge City with 115 points.

The varsity boys ran the last race of the day. Most of the race was led by senior Sammy Obando, who completed the 5 kilometer course in a time of 17:37. Obando placed 2nd in the race just missing the gold medal by two seconds. Junior Obed Quintana placed 6th in 17:57. Junior Luis Medina brought home the 10th place medal after his time of 18:15. Sophomore Emilio Tovilla, who was battling an allergy attack and was a last minute decision to even run the race, fought through to place 16th. Senior Erving Altamirano placed 20th with a time of 18:38. Junior Ivan Aleman completed the course in 18:40 to place 23rd, while freshman Edgar Moreno placed 29th with a time of 18:58. The Redskins won the meet with a team score of 54 points. Second place was Maize South with 67 points, and Garden City was third with 98 points.

Both Redskin cross country teams will take the trip to Lawrence for their next competition on September 28th for the famed Rim Rock Farm Classic. Currently there are about 200 schools listed to compete from 8 different states.