

# U High runs to title at St. Joseph

Despite running without two of its top seven runners, the University High School boys cross country team won the 28-team Spartan Classic at St. Joseph yesterday.

The Pioneers, ranked No. 1 in Class A, scored 82 points for a four-point win over host St. Joseph-Ogden, which is ranked 15th in the state.

Clinton placed sixth (204), Tri-Valley seventh (220), Mahomet-Seymour 11th (326), Delavan 13th (334), PBL 25th (640) and Blue Ridge 26th (643).

Georgetown-Ridge Farm sophomore Barry Pearman won the 3-mile road race in 14 minutes, 54 seconds. U High sophomore Barrett Moore was 10 seconds back.

Rounding out the top five were Mahomet-Seymour's Dan Nielsen (third), Clinton's Joe Alexander (fourth) and U High's Charles Alsberry (fifth).

U High ran without Kevin Eggan (muscle pull) and Marshal Watson (cold).

"Overall, we are pretty happy winning the meet considering we ran without two of our top seven," said U High coach Lester Hampton. "The key was definitely Chris Dixon getting 15th (in a personal best of 16:02). He's never come close to finishing that high."

In the 15-team girls race, St. Joseph-Ogden won with 49 points. Tri-Valley ran fifth (177), Mahomet-Seymour eighth (213), PBL 13th (317) and Clinton 15th (359).

Argenta-Oreana sophomore Karen Bloch won the 2-mile race in 11:21. Tri-Valley's Denice Klinzing led Pantagraph area finishers with a seventh-place finish.

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