

# M-S boys run fifth in Cowchip

Mahomet-Seymour's prep cross country runners placed fifth and seventh in the boys and girls team point tables at Chrisman's annual Cowchip Classic last Saturday.

Bulldog coach John King was definitely pleased with the showing of his boys, whose fifth was earned in a field of 21 schools. One of his entrants, freshman Scott Dewitt, won the fourth flight competition on the three-mile course with a time of 16:05. Only six runners in the entire meet bettered that clocking.

Another M-S freshman, Grant Illes, placed second in the fifth flight, timed in 16:43. Team leader John Arbuckle, a senior, finished fifth in the first flight in 16:25; Alexander ran fourth in the seventh flight in 18:05; Justin Smith and Mike Crowley placed third and sixth in 17:36 and 18:02 respectively in the Open class.

"Our team is young," noted King. "We have three freshmen and two sophomores among our

top runners. And I feel we're a team on the upswing."

St. Joseph-Ogden, Class A boys state champion the past two years, won the Cowchip crown, though barely edging host Chrisman, 19 points to 21. Terre Haute South (IN) was third with 27, Urbana Uni High fourth with 39, and Herscher fifth with 49.

Terre Haute South topped the girls division of 15 schools with 47 points, followed by Urbana Uni High with 84, Argenta-Oreana 118, Herscher 147, Chrisman 152, St. Joseph-Ogden 153, Mahomet-Seymour 160, plus nine more teams.

Jama Ryan was the only Bulldog among the top 25, placing 16th with a two-mile time of 13:45.

Mahomet-Seymour's boys and girls both outran Farmer City Blue Ridge in the Bulldogs' home opener last Thursday. Dewitt paced the boys with a three-mile time of 18:27; Ryan led the girls over two miles with 13:36.