

MSHS CROSS COUNTRY

M-S dominates regional

Girls' and boys' teams both take top spots

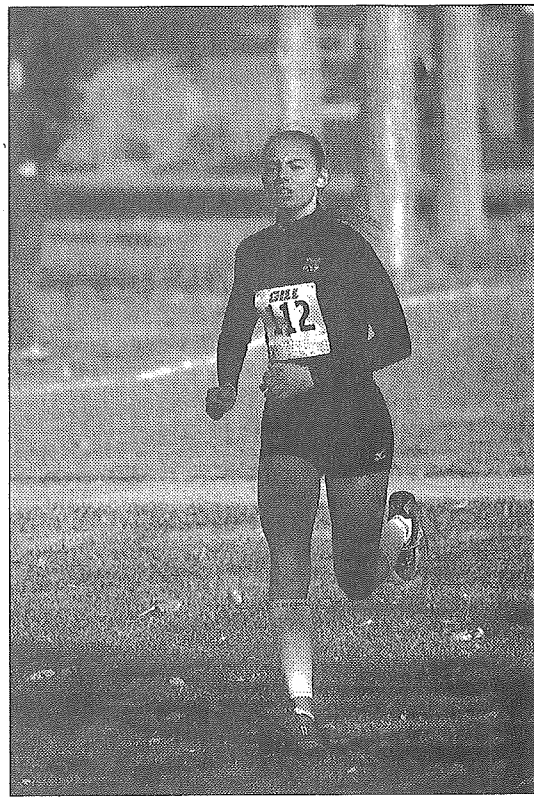
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Mahomet-Seymour's boys' and girls' varsity cross country teams swept the competition at the IHSA Class 2A regional on October 26 at the University of Illinois' Arboretum course. The girls' team won the regional for the second time in three years while the boys' team captured the top spot for the third consecutive time.

The Lady Bulldogs saw all seven of their runners finish in the first 16 to ease past Mattoon 38-41.

As she has all season long, Lauren Whitehouse (18:19) led the way for M-S, good enough for third place overall. Close behind were teammates Abigail Nielsen (6th, 19:03), Olivia Meyer (12th, 20:13), Isabelle Pommier (13th, 20:19), Maddie Buzicky (14th, 20:22), Mariah McAnally (15th, 20:29), and Jocelyn Thrasher (16th, 20:31).

On the boys' side, M-S dominated the field, finishing with 25 points and far outdistancing second place Champaign Central with 83. It was the lowest team score for M-S in the 44 years



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Left: Alex Keeble runs to a second place finish in the IHSA Class 2A Regional. He finished the 2.96-mile race in 15 minutes, 29 seconds and was the top finisher for Mahomet Seymour. **Right:** Lauren Whitehouse leads the Lady Bulldogs to an IHSA Regional title at the University of Illinois Arboretum Course in Urbana. Whitehouse finished third with a 2.96-mile time of 18 minutes, 19 seconds.

of the Bulldog cross country program.

Sophomore Alex Keeble (15:29) once again set the pace for the Bulldogs with a runner-up finish. And Keeble's support-

ing cast – five runners in the top 10 – was equally impressive. Included in the runaway team victory were James Williams (3rd, 15:50), William Wolf (4th, 15:51), Jackson Powell (6th,

15:56), Ethan Russell (10th, 16:17), Jack Hyde (17th, 16:39), and Trevor Hanlin (26th, 16:51).

Both teams now advance to the IHSA Class 2A sectional in Decatur on November 2.