
CROSS-COUNTRY ROUNDUP

Bulldogs take title

Hummer, Summitt lead area contingent to state

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EAST PEORIA — Mahomet-Seymour's cross-country team isn't slowing down.

The M-S boys ran their eighth meet of the season Saturday and came away with their seventh team title. With Alex Keeble and William Wolf finishing among the top five runners, the Bulldogs captured the fourth sectional team title in school history, winning a Class 2A meet.

Keeble has been the individual winner in six races this year. He covered the 3-mile course in 15 minutes, 1 second. Wolf was fourth in 15:12.

The exciting part in coach Neal Garrison's mind is that it didn't take a series of season-best performances to advance to next Saturday's state meet at Detweiller Park.

"Our guys ran OK," Garrison said. "The training has paid off, and they were strong enough that they were able to win. They have given their hearts to the team and the training."

The depth on the state's second-ranked team is such that three individuals who didn't run a week earlier at regionals were in the sectional lineup.

One of those was Riley Fortune, the lone Bulldog to run his personal best at sectional. He was 27th in 16:03 and was the team's No. 5 runner.

"He earned his way to racing at state," Garrison said.

Jack Hyde (14th) and Andrew Walmer (19th) were the team's other leaders.