

# BC cross-country teams preparing for Nationals

Two recent wins have boosted the spirits of the already soaring Brevard College Cross-Country teams as they prepare for the National Junior College Cross-Country Championships in Hagerstown, Md., Saturday, Nov. 8.

Running is a solid downpour Saturday, Oct. 25, both Brevard College cross-country teams ran as if they were equipped with water wings, outdistancing all competitors in a sloppy, muddy home meet.

In the men's event, the Torandoes scored a perfect 15, placing runners in the top five places. Again, John Christiansen led the way with a first place finish over 40 other runners on the puddle-strewn five-mile course around the campus with a time of 24:51.

UNC-Charlotte placed second with a score of 60, followed by USC-Spartanburg with 71, and Anderson with 108. The win over Anderson also gave Brevard College in the Region X cross-country championship again.

the other high-placing BC runners included Paul Carpenter in third place with a time of 25:07. Carpenter was edged out by one second by Norman Blair, who was listed as an unattached runner. Dean Duncan placed fourth with a 25:19, Dan Schneider came in fifth with a 25:29, followed by Chris Dunn with a 25:44 and Glenn MacDonald with a 25:51.

Against visiting UNC-Charlotte, the BC women took all five top spots in the three-mile event with Kim Nelson scoring a solid first-place finish after leading all the way with a time of 18:36.

She was followed by Terri Jackson in second with a 18:37, Heather Chamberlain in third with a 18:45, Heather Barclay fourth with a 19:34, and Michelle Lambert fifth 20:01.

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Brevard College's men's and women's cross-country teams scored impressively against a host of four-year schools in the Oct. 16 State Intercollegiate Cross-Country Championship run at the Duke University golf course in Durham.

The BC men placed second with a score of 37, just seven points behind N.C. State's winning score of 30. The Tornadoes were paced by John Christiansen's stunning victory over the hilly five-mile course.

Against a field of approximately 100 runners, the Danish runner from Brevard took the lead about mid-point and then never let up, finishing with a time of 25:55 and 150 yards in front of the closest competitor from N.C. State.

BC's Chris Dunn placed fourth with a 26:46 followed by Paul Carpenter in sixth with a 26:52. Other BC scorers were Glenn MacDonald in 11th with a 27:12 and Dean Duncan in 15th with a 27:27.

N.C. State's runners finished high in the top brackets, giving them the low scoring edge, 30-37. BC Coach Dave Rinker was disappointed and yet pleased at the race's outcome. "What can you say about Christiansen? He just dominated the race," he said. "But the other people need to pull in there for us to win the national championship (Nov. 8)

The men's point standing were as follows: State 30, Brevard 37, Appalachian 66, St. Augustine 120, Duke 141, UNC-Charlotte 207, Pembroke 249, Davidson 282, Methodist Church 313, Wake Forest 334, East Carolina 354, and N.C. A&T 380. Shaw and N.C. Central also competed.

The BC women ran strong too, placing third with 78 points behind Appalachian



Splish-splash, they were takin' a bath — at last Saturday's victorious meet with UNC-Charlotte, Tornado runners splash through the five-mile course. The BC runners go to Nationals this weekend. (BC photo)

with 47 and Duke with 33. The Lady Tornadoes beat East Carolina with 150, Davidson with 192 and Shaw with 287, as well as St. Augustines, Pembroke State, UNC-Chapel Hill, Shaw, and UNC-Charlotte.

BC's Kim Nelson set the pace for approximately 70 women runners, taking the early lead and holding that position for two of the three miles before being passing by Duke and Appalachian runners. She finished fourth with a 18:49 time, for her best race of the season.

Terrie Jackson placed 10th with a 19:18, followed immediately by Heather Chamberlain in 11th with a 19:29. Heather Barclay placed 22nd with a 20:37 and Michelle Lambert's 31st place finish closed out the BC scoring with a 20:57 time.



## In Memoriam

by Kirsten Reed

Last year, Tammy Monique Walton, a close friend and classmate, was killed in a tragic car accident on November 1. Her sudden death was a shock to many and still, a year later, it's hard to believe she's gone. Tammy was a friend to anyone and everyone on campus and her smile seemed to brighten even the darkest of days. It seems only fitting we remember Tammy, her smile, her joy and most of all her love for life itself. We'll miss Tammy but in our hearts Tammy's memory will live forever at Brevard College.

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