

Hard work pays off for XC team

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Wingate, North Carolina- Led by Sophomores Joshua Mower who placed 4th with a time of 26:54 and Jordan Tager who placed 8th at 27:49, the men's cross country team placed second overall at the Bulldog Stampede in Wingate North Carolina. Erik Gibbs, also a sophomore finished 15th with a time of 28:53, followed by Chris Shore at 30:55 and Jourdane Laundry as the fifth runner, ran a Personal Best on a broken toe.

The women placed 3rd overall, led by freshmen, Madison Hill, who placed 2nd with a time of 19:52 followed by Angela Canale who finished 4th with a time of 20:34, only two seconds behind Wingate's runner, Brianna Stevens. Ariel Muiselaar (Jr.), and Heidi Kaartinen (Fr.) finished 14 seconds behind; both women finished in the top 30.



(left to right) Heidi Kaartinen, Ariel Muiselaar, Angela Canale, Madison Hill, Ashley Lowe, Grace Meanor

Ashley Lowe and Grace Meanor finished in 34th and 39th respectively.

This has been the highest placement that the BC Cross Country team has taken this



(left to right) Chris Shore, Josh Mower, Jourdane Landry, Jordan Tager, Erik Gibbs, Christopher Shelton

season. This is also the first time Brevard cross country has placed in a race in 10 years. They will race at Furman on October 8th, 2011.

Tornados mountain bike team on a roll

The Tornados mountain bike team had another great race this weekend at Alexander Mountain Bike park in Asheville. Hosted by Mars Hill college, our athletes raced against the entire Southeastern conference.

In the downhill, senior Kate Weisenfluh brought home another win with a one second lead on a one minute course in the A women's downhill race. Senior Tripp Bagnal ran the fastest time for our men's A riders, with a 5th place finish. Newcomer to the team, senior Willis Kallay came in 2nd place in the men's B race, with freshman Duncan Miller in third.

In the men's A XC race, Scott Hoffner got third place against a stacked field. Due to a few bike mechanicals, several of our riders had to drop out of the race. In the women's A race, senior Morgan Sykes rounded out the top ten riders.

Senior Willis Kallay won the men's B 4X race, and freshman Mac Banner took second in the men's A race.

Our riders in the short track race faired as well as the other events. Sophomore Lewis Gaffney took third place for the A men riders, with Scott Hoffner close behind in 8th. Morgan Sykes took 12th out of 20 women racers. Our mountain bike team will take a rest weekend before Conference Championships October 15th-16th.



Scott Hoffner on his way to third place

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