

Cross country teams finish second

Amanda Byrum ran away with a cross country quad meet at Northside Wednesday, coming in almost 2 minutes ahead of her nearest competitor.

"Amanda ran a super race," said Pirates coach Sadot Mendez.

The girls placed second overall with 40 points, behind winning Northside's 22. Pamlico was third with 67.

Erica Sinkovic placed fifth and Marcy Walker, eighth.

Dayton Caddy led the boys squad to a second-place overall finish with his No. 2 place with a time of 19:03.

Mendez said even though five Perquimans runners

placed in the top 10, Northside took first overall by nine points. Mendez said Northside is much stronger this season.

"To show you the strength of Perquimans and Northside, the first athlete from any other team was 15th," Mendez said.

Northside scored 23; Perquimans, 32; Bear Grass, 112; and Pamlico, 120.

T.J. Long came in fifth; Ben Godfrey, seventh; and Stan Saunders, eighth.

"I feel very good about both teams this year," Mendez said.

This week, Perquimans was scheduled to travel to Northeastern on Tuesday and will go back to Northside on Thursday.

PCMS opens with wins

The Lady Tigers opened volleyball season with two big wins over River Road in Elizabeth City.

Perquimans took both of the two best-of-three matches 2-0 with scores of 15-2, 15-0 and 15-10, 15-1.

Ashley Sessoms was a pow-

erhouse behind the service line, tallying 24 points. Megal Stallings added nine; Gena Harrell, eight; and Danielle Stallings and Shelley Alexander, five each.

The team will travel to Currituck on Wednesday for its second conference match.

State sets hunting seasons calendar

Here is a list of the 1998-99 hunting seasons as compiled by the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission.

Hunters should have all valid North Carolina licenses and permits plus federal waterfowl stamp and the new Harvest Information Program (HIP) certification for hunting migratory birds, including doves and waterfowl. HIP certification is available at no cost from Wildlife Service Agents.

Deer: Bow and arrow - Eastern, Sept 7-Oct. 3; Central, Sept. 7-Nov. 7; Northwestern, Sept. 7-Nov 14; Western, Sept 7-Oct. 3 and Oct. 12-Nov. 21.

Muzzleloading - Eastern and Western, Oct. 5-10; Central, Nov. 9-14; Northwestern, Nov. 16-21.

Gun - Eastern, Oct. 12-Jan. 1; Western, Nov. 23-Dec. 12; Central, Nov. 16-Jan. 1; Northwestern, Nov. 23-Dec. 12. (See Regulations Digest for gun either-sex and special hunts for deer.)

Quail and rabbit: Nov. 21-Feb. 27.

Gray squirrel: Oct. 12-Jan. 30. Fox squirrel hunting allowed Oct. 12-Dec. 31 in 20 Eastern counties. Check Digest.

Wild boar: Oct. 12-Nov. 21 and Dec. 14-Jan. 1.

Common snipe: Nov. 14-Feb. 28.

Doves: Sept. 5-Oct. 10; Nov. 23-28 and Dec. 19-Jan. 14. Shooting hours noon until sunset Sept. 5-11, and one-half hour before sunrise until sunset thereafter.

Moorhens, gallinules and king, clapper, sora and Virginia rails: Sept. 5-Nov. 13.

Raccoon, opossum: Western, Oct. 12-Jan. 30; Eastern, Oct. 19-Feb. 27. See Regulations Digest for list of counties.

Pheasant: Nov. 21-Jan. 30. Woodcock: Dec. 18-Jan. 16. Bobcat: Oct. 13-Feb. 27.

Wild turkey: April 10-May 8. Crow: Through Feb. 28 on

Thursday, Fridays, Saturdays, plus Labor Day and Christmas Day.

Groundhog, coyote, nutria: No closed season with exception of nutria in Currituck County. See Digest.

Bear: Western - Oct. 12-Nov. 21 and Dec. 14-Jan. 1; Southeastern - Nov. 9-Jan. 1; Northeastern Nov. 9-14 and Dec. 14-16; Brunswick and Columbus counties Nov. 14-Jan. 1. See Digest for complete county listing.

Canada geese, ducks, mergansers, coots, sea ducks, snow geese, blue geese, Brant, swan. For seasons, shooting hours and bag limits, telephone toll free 1-800-675-0263.

Coast Guard Auxiliary offers boating skills, piloting courses

Boating Skills and Seamanship and Piloting will be offered this fall by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. The courses are tuition-free. Anyone with nautical interests, including armchair sailors, will enjoy studying navigation and charting techniques in the Piloting course, and the tricks of boat handling and more, in the Boating Skills and Seamanship course.

The Piloting course, designed to introduce students to navigating the waters of the Albemarle Sound and its rivers, will be held at the Northeastern Regional Airport in Edenton on Oct. 23 from 6:30-10 p.m., and on Oct. 24 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

The 5-week Boating Skills and Seamanship, Part 1 course will begin Nov. 19 at the College of The Albemarle,

Chowan County Center. The 2 1/2 hour class gets under way at 7 p.m. each Thursday, except Wednesday of Thanksgiving week. (Part 2 will start Jan. 7, 1999.)

Taught by trained and experienced Auxiliary instructors, the courses will cover topics such as: buying and equipping a boat, boat handling and trailering, navigating the waters, aids to navigation, "rules of

the road," and more. The courses are tuition-free; cost of the Boating Skills and Seamanship textbook, materials and administrative fee is \$25. Couples sharing a text pay a total of only \$30. The only cost to the student for the Piloting course is \$10 for materials. For more information, call Peter or Barbara Wood at 482-5010 or Bob or Doris Miller at 426-9614.

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