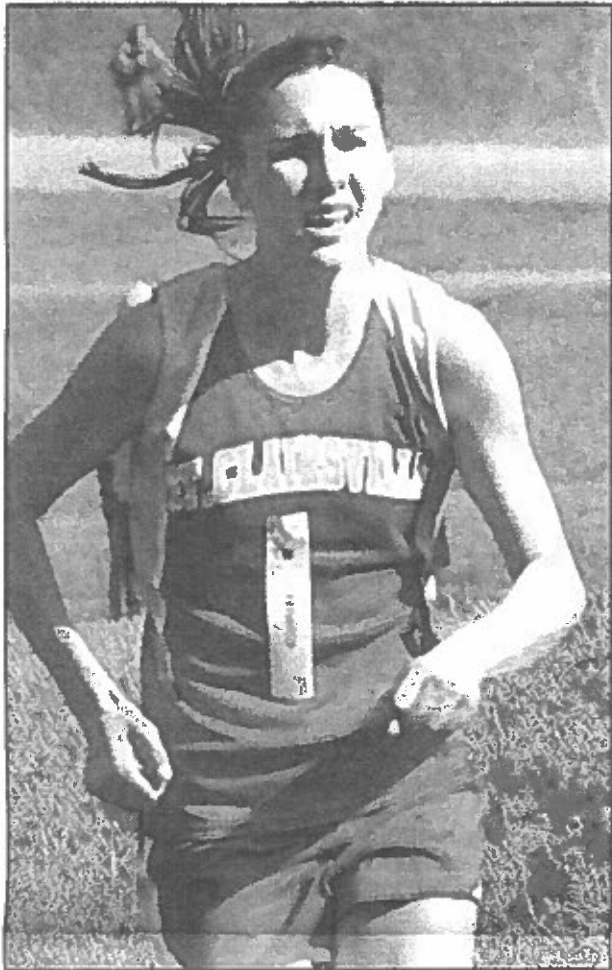


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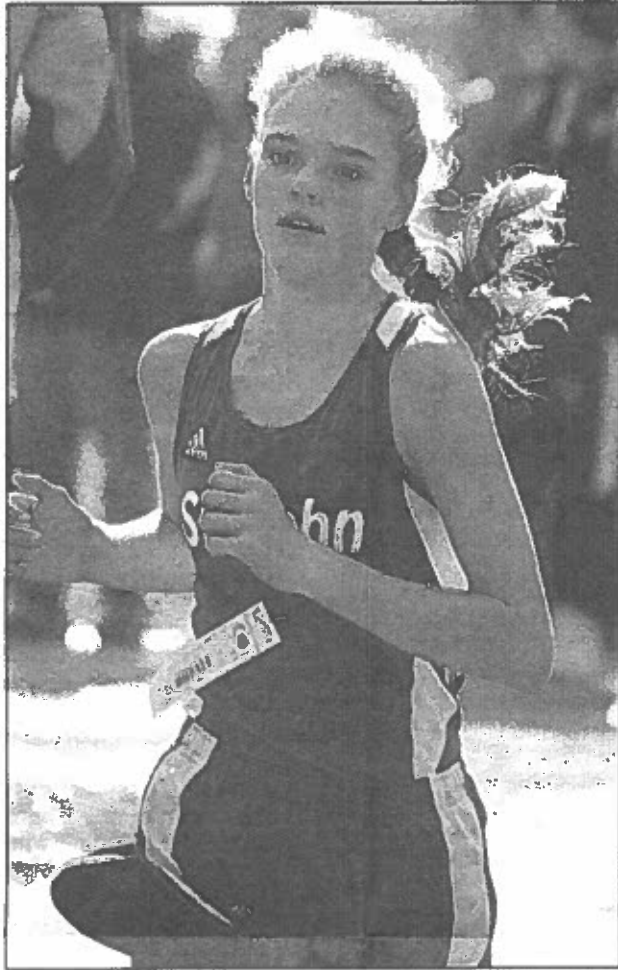
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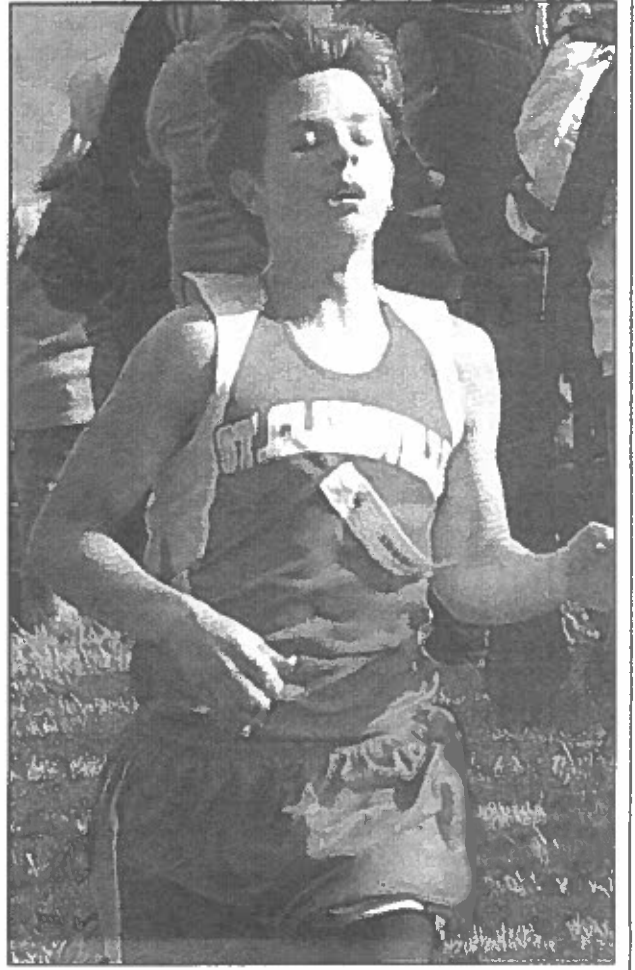
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## OVAC CC champs crowned

• St. C. boys claim their seventh straight title

By **SETH STASKEY**  
Times Leader Sports Editor

**BYESVILLE** — Temperatures were chilly, the course was damp and Meadowbrook High School was the site.

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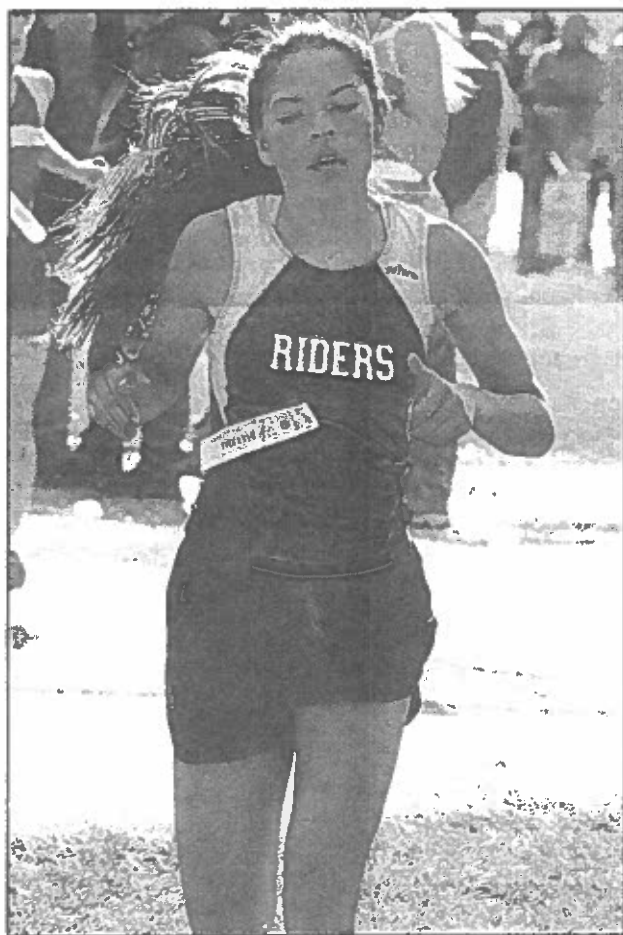
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**MARTINS FERRY'S** Sunshine Wrenn heads for the finish during Saturday's OVAC CC Championship at Meadowbrook. She finished 10th overall, leading the Lady Riders to a third-place finish in Class 4A. Additional images may be found at [cu.timesleaderonline.com](http://cu.timesleaderonline.com)

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Led by Gillislee and a dominant defense, Florida's grind-it-out victory provided a signature win for coach Will Muschamp in his second season in Gainesville. It was the program's first win against a ranked team since beating rival Georgia in 2010.

The Gators (5-0, 4-0 Southeastern Conference) wore down the Tigers (5-1, 1-1) in the second half — no surprise because Florida has been doing that all season. Florida, which trailed 6-0 at half-time, also came from behind to beat Texas A&M and Tennessee on the road last month.

The Gators harassed quarterback Zach Mettenberger, who completed 11 of 25 passes for 161 yards, with an interception.

It was Gillislee's third 100-yard game of the season.

### NO. 7 KANSAS STATE 56, KANSAS 16

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — John Hubert ran for 101 yards and four touchdowns on just 10 carries, and Collin Klein had two touchdowns running and throwing as Kansas State routed Kansas.

Klein finished with 129 yards passing and 116 yards rushing to help the Wildcats (5-0, 2-0 Big 12) pile up more than 50 points for the third straight year against their biggest rival. They've won four straight against the Jayhawks (1-4, 0-2) since Bill Snyder returned as coach.

The longtime Kansas State coach probably had some choice words for his team at halftime, when a slew of mistakes resulted in a modest 21-14 lead. But the Wildcats scored four touchdowns in the third quarter, three in a span of about 5 minutes, to put the game away.

Kansas' Dayne Crist threw for 189 yards and a touchdown, but he also threw three interceptions and lost a fumble. James Sims had 115 yards rushing and a touchdown for the Jayhawks.

### NO. 15 CLEMSON 47, GEORGIA TECH 31

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) — Tajh Boyd threw for a career high 397 yards and DeAndre Hopkins had 173 yards receiving to lead Clemson over Georgia Tech.

The Tigers (5-1, 2-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) gained 601 yards, while the Yellow Jackets (2-4, 1-3) gained 483.

Boyd threw for two touchdowns, including a 35-yard touchdown to Hopkins that put Clemson up 38-31 with 10:29 left in the game.

Georgia Tech bobbled the kickoff and started its next possession at the 2 yard line. Tigers linebacker Spencer Shuey sniffed out an option pitch two plays later for a safety that crushed the Yellow Jackets' chances. It was the first time either team led by more than a touchdown.

Orin Smith gained 117 yards on seven carries for Georgia Tech.

Along with completing 26 of 41 passes, Boyd also ran for a touchdown and caught one pass — a 2-point conversion.

### IOWA ST. 37, NO. 15 TCU 23

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Jared Barnett threw three touchdowns to Josh Lenz, who later had a scoring toss of his own on a trick play, as Iowa State ended TCU's FBS-best 12-game win streak.

It was the first Big 12 home game for conference newcomer TCU (4-1, 1-1), which played without suspended quarterback Casey Pachall.

Barnett was 12-of-21 passing for 183 yards and ran nine times for 30 yards in his first start this season for the Cyclones (4-1, 1-1).

The Frogs had won a nation-best 25 conference games in a row, the first 24 while winning the Mountain West championship each of the last three seasons.

Lenz had TD catches of 51 and 74 yards in the first quarter.

Trevone Boykin started for TCU and was 23-of-40 passing for 270 yards with a touchdown and three interceptions.

### NO. 17 OKLAHOMA 41, TEXAS TECH 20

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Landry Jones passed for two touchdowns, Blake Bell ran for two more and Oklahoma beat Texas Tech to avenge a home loss to the Red Raiders last season.

The win was crucial for Oklahoma to remain in the conversation for the Big 12 title.

Both of Jones' touchdown passes went for 13 yards — one each to Justin Brown and Kenny Stills. Bell, in at quarterback, scored his touchdowns from a yard out.

Javon Harris put the game out of reach midway through the third quarter when he returned an interception 46 yards for a TD to put the Sooners (3-1, 1-1) up 38-13.

The Red Raiders had their worst defensive performance this year, giving up 380 total yards after coming in ranked No. 1 in the nation.

Seth Doege was 22 of 36 for 203 yards and had three interceptions for Texas Tech (4-1, 1-1).

### NO. 18 STANFORD 54, ARIZONA 48, OT

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Chase Thomas intercepted a tipped pass by Matt Scott in overtime, Stepfan Taylor ran for a 21-yard score two plays later and Stanford rallied from a two-touchdown deficit to stun Arizona.

Josh Nunes threw for a career-high 360 yards and two touchdowns and ran for three more scores for Stanford (4-1, 2-1 Pac-12) to offset Scott's record-setting performance.

Scott completed 45 of 69 passes — both school records — for 491 yards and three touchdowns until Henry Anderson tipped his final pass in overtime that Thomas intercepted. Arizona (3-3, 0-3) amassed 617 total yards but lost for the third straight game and is still winless in conference play.

The Wildcats became the first team to eclipse 400 yards passing against the Cardinal since Oklahoma in the 2009 Sun Bowl. The Sooners threw for 418 yards in a 31-27 win over Stanford.

### MISSISSIPPI ST. 27, KENT. 14

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Tyler Russell passed for two touchdowns and Mississippi State held Kentucky to just 228 yards on offense in the victory.

LaDarius Perkins carried 25 times for 110 yards, including a 31-yard score, and Devon Bell kicked field goals of 20 and 37 yards as Mississippi State moved to 5-0 for the first time since 1999. The Bulldogs are 2-0 in Southeastern Conference play.

Russell was 23 of 39 for 269 yards, hitting Adrian Marcus and Chad Bumphis for touchdowns of 10 and 27 yards, respectively.

Freshmen quarterbacks Patrick Towles and Jalen Whitlow both led scoring drives for Kentucky (1-5, 0-3), which lost its fourth straight. Whitlow was 10 of 21 for 73 yards, adding 26 rushing yards on eight carries. Towles was 5 of 6 for 71 yards.

The Bulldogs posted their second-fewest yards allowed this season, just 12 more than they allowed in a 28-10 victory over Auburn last month.

### NO. 22 RUTGERS 19, CONNECTICUT 3

PISCATAWAY, N.J. (AP) — Jawan Jamison ran for 110 yards and Wayne Warren returned an interception 25 yards for a score as Rutgers suffocated UConn to remain undefeated.

## ● Girls

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came out and ran a PR to pick us up," Ciroti said. "That's what we came here to do. There's a lot of good competition. We need to continue to work to close the gap."

Martins Ferry, which finished third in Class 4A, had a pair of runners earn all-conference finishes.

Senior standout Sunshine Wrenn led the way with a 10th place finish in a time of 19:41. Sophomore Jamie Truchan continued her strong season with a 15th place finish in a time of 20:02.

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"Caldwell's number one girl gave up some points because she's not been feeling well, so it's tough, even though we ran a championship-style race, to win when they're not at full strength," Midei continued. "I didn't care where we placed overall, so we made it a one-on-one thing between us and Caldwell."

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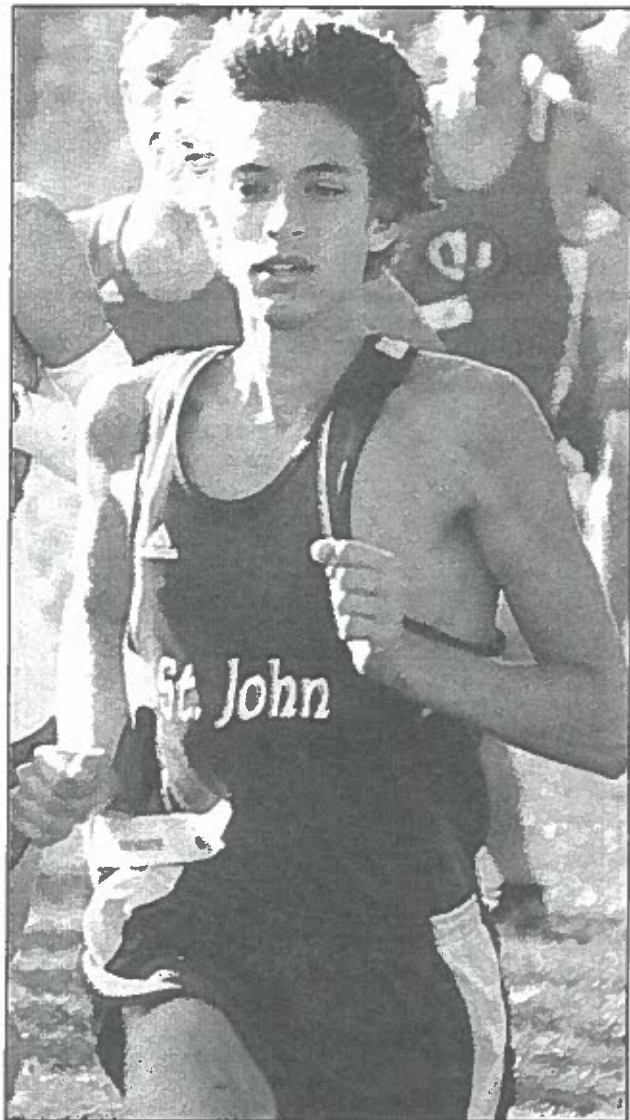
Senior standout Tara Tollett finished third overall in a splendid time of 18:24. Talented frosh McKayla Kinemond was 17th in 20:05.

East Richland Christian had its first all-OVAC cross country runner. Senior Hannah Surface was 24th overall in 20:42.

The Lady Mohigans flexed their muscle early and often en route to winning their inaugural OVAC title in girls' cross.

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Fort Frye made it two class titles in a row. The Lady Cadets finished with 227 points.



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ST. JOHN Central's Corey Leasure runs in a pack during the early portion of Saturday's OVAC Cross Country Championship at Meadowbrook.

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Mohigans' senior Cameron Greza captured the overall individual title with a time of 16:03. He was six seconds better than East Liverpool's Nate Boyer.

Other 5A runners, earning all-OVAC include: Wheeling Park junior Albert Schrimp (9th, 16:49), Indian Creek senior Frank Kamarec (21st, 17:25), John Marshall frosh Dylan McKeag (22nd, 17:26) and Indian Creek's Allen Keister (25th, 17:31).

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The Cadets were paced by junior Jordan Anderson, who was 10th overall in 16:55.

The Blue Eagles were led by James Haught, who was all-OVAC by virtue of his 16:46 and seventh-place finish.

In the small-school division, Caldwell, which is one of the most storied CC programs in the state of Ohio, notched its seventh conference title, but first since 2002 when it fought off St. John Central.

Coach Dugan Hill's Redskins finished with 253 points, while the Irish were 14th overall with 369 tallies.

The Redskins were led by all-conference performer Tanner Harding, who was sixth in 16:37.

St. John Central senior standout Corey Leasure was fifth overall in a time of 16:36. Leasure was the small-school champion.

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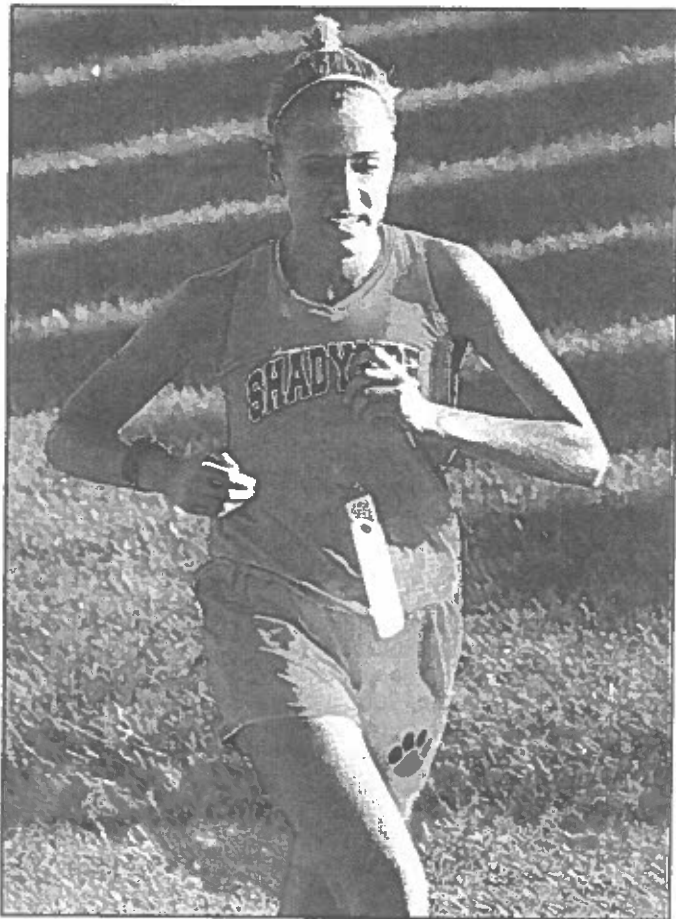
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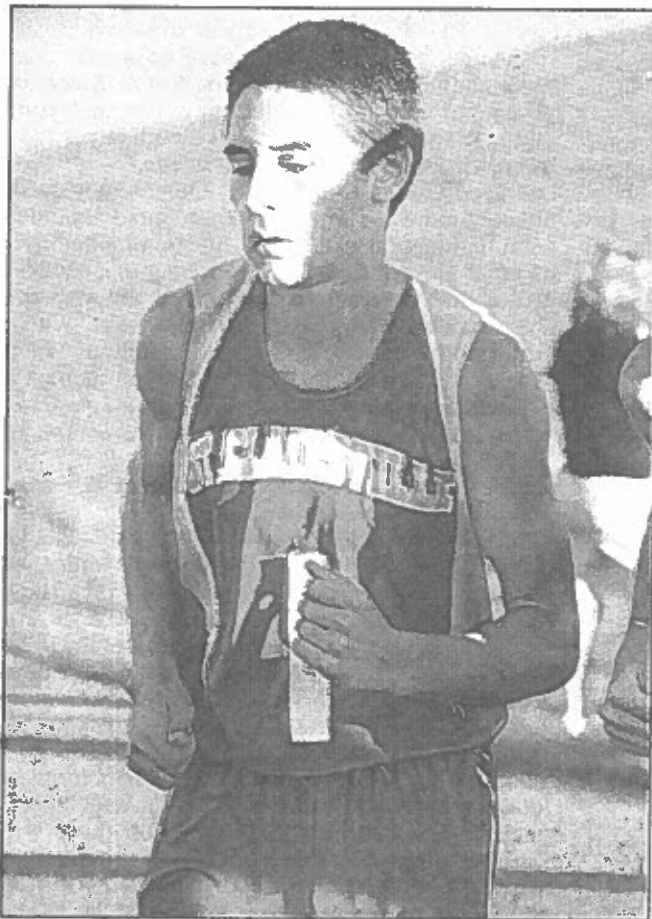
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# Runners to your mark!

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By **SETH STASKEY**  
Times Leader Sports Editor

When the calendar flips to October, cross country teams start to see the light at the end of their tunnels.

The road to the state meet - which is slated for the first Saturday in November - heats up locally Saturday with the annual running of the Cal Pokas OVAC Cross Country Championship at Meadowbrook High School in Byesville.

Action gets under way with the boys' varsity race at 10 a.m. and the girls will begin approximately 45 minutes later.

Champions will be crowned in four classes. The A/AA title is a combined crown, while each of the other classes will field its own champion.

The defending boys' champions are

St. John Central (1A/2A), Magnolia (3A), St. Clairsville (4A) and University (5A).

On the girls' side, the meet titles were captured by Caldwell (1A/2A), Fort Frye (3A), St. Clairsville (4A) and University (5A).

The Lady Red Devils' title was their fifth straight and fifth overall. St. C.'s boys' crown was the ninth in school history.

St. John Central's boys title was the program's 10th, which puts it in a three-way tie for second place in conference history. Shadyside leads the way with 12 titles.

Some of the area runners to keep an eye on on the boys' side include: Corey Leasure (St. John), Drake Walker (St. Clairsville), Alex Timko (St. Clairsville), Brandon Stephens

(Barnesville), Caleb Hayes (Union Local), Chayse Staten (Buckeye Local) and Joe Davies (St. Clairsville).

On the girls' side, St. John sophomore Fallon Doyle is one of the top entrants. She finished third in last season's race, trailing only runners from University and Morgantown.

Other local girls, who could be in the thick of the race this season, include Tara Tollett (Shadyside), Amy Castle (St. Clairsville), Sunshine Wrenn (Martins Ferry), Jamie Truchan (Martins Ferry), Hannah Nagy (Union Local), Julianna Madzia (St. Clairsville), McKayla Kinemond (Shadyside), Lindsay Cunningham (Martins Ferry), Hannah Surface and (East Richland Christian).

The road to Columbus continues for the Ohio schools next weekend as the OVCCCL Championship at Buckeye Local High School.

**OVAC CC**  
**When:** Saturday, 10 a.m.  
**Where:** Byesville  
**Tickets:** Available at the gate for \$6.



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Julianna Madzia competes for Class 4A champ St. Clairsville.

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