

## Dallas girls run away with District title

Staff report

**JEFFERSON TWP.** — With four runners finishing in under 21 minutes and another notching a personal best by almost one minute, Dallas won the girls Class 2A team title at the District 2 Cross Country Championships last week at the Scranton Municipal Golf Course.

"This is the first time we've not only had enough girls, but quality girls to compete," said Dallas coach Reg Thomas, who has averaged three girls on his team the past two years. "They knew what they had to do and every runner did it."

The top two teams and the top 10 non-team individuals advanced to the PIAA Cross Country Championships on Nov. 2 at Hershey.

Dallas ran away with the team title, scoring 66 points, 32 points better than second-place Scranton Prep (98). Montrose was third (130), Lakeland fourth (161) and Hoban fifth (192).

"I think this has been our goal all season long," said Dallas junior Whitney Adams. "We came in pretty confident we could pull it off so long as we worked together."

Work together Dallas did, as its top four runners paired off. Freshman Lisa Giacometti (20:04) and Adams (20:22) finished sixth and seventh, respectively, and freshman Robyn Razawich and junior Jamie Stanish took 11th and 12th, respectively, both in 20:43.

Razawich and Dallas's fifth runner, senior Jamie Bozentka, each passed two runners en route to the finish line. Bozentka's previous best time was 23:50, but she turned in a 30th-place performance in 22:12.

"Coming from a couple years of not having a team, it's great to have other people there to run with and support you the whole season," said Adams.

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POST PHOTOS/JIM PHILLIPS

Rich Eckman kicked the ball past a Meyers defender during Monday's playoff game.

## L-L soccer

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ing, Lake-Lehman's Richard Eckman floated a ball over the Meyers' defense to Carsman. After colliding with Meyers goalkeeper Steve Nordheim, Carsman hit the ball to the ground with his chest and scored the winning goal.

"Richard made a great pass," said Carsman. "As soon as he got the ball, I was looking for him to pass it to me. He does it all of the time. I guess (Nordheim) and I were both going for the ball. I was just happy I scored."

Meyers coach Gerry McGroarty wasn't happy, and was hoping for a penalty to be called after Carsman and Nordheim collided.

Trailing 1-0, Carsman and Eckman connected for Lake-Lehman's first goal when Carsman lofted a ball in front of the Meyers goal and Eckman headed it into the net to make it 1-1 with 10:59 remaining in the first half.

"Richard and Nate have been doing a nice job for us all season," said Black Knights coach Joe DePasquale. "Richard made a couple of real nice passes in the second half, but we couldn't finish."

The Black Knights controlled play for most of the second half, but couldn't get a shot past Nordheim, who made several outstanding saves.

As the clock ticked down to the final minutes, it appeared the game would go to a sudden-death overtime — something DePasquale wasn't looking forward to.

"I didn't want the game to go into overtime," he said. "We tried to keep the pressure on them and get a goal in regulation."

DePasquale wasn't surprised by the late-game heroics of his co-captain.

"Nate always finds a way to score," he said. "He's been doing it all season. Going into a game, you know he's going to score at least one goal."

## Game Commission calendar is on sale

As Pennsylvanians plan for the holiday gift-giving season, the Pennsylvania Game Commission unveiled its 2003 calendar, priced at \$8.95 (plus tax and shipping), on "The Outdoor Shop" on the agency's website ([www.pgc.state.pa.us](http://www.pgc.state.pa.us)) and at all Game Commission offices.

The 2003 calendar features a year's worth of dramatic wildlife photos taken by agency employees: Hal Korber, information specialist in the Harrisburg headquarters; Robert W. Criswell, South-central Region Land Management Supervisor in Huntingdon; Billie Cromwell, retired Food and Cover Crew foreman in Fulton County; John Wasserman, Wildlife Conservation Officer in Clinton County; Timothy C. Flanigan, Wildlife Conservation Officer in Bedford County.

January through December features a full-color photo of a different wildlife species, including: a barred owl; tundra swans; a bobcat; an eastern bluebird; a black-crowned night heron; a mink; ospreys; a porcupine; white-tailed deer fawn; a woodcock; an antlered white-tailed deer; and a bull elk.

The calendar also provides a brief overview of the Game Commission and a list of contact information for the agency's Harrisburg headquarters and six region offices.

## Fall Trail Run results

Back Mountain finishers, in order of overall finish, were:

3. Kelby Morgan, 17, 36:16
4. Mike Hiscox, 16, 36:20
8. Amy Aston-Rome, 35, 37:33
10. John Sobocinski, 34, 38:23
15. Harry Hiscox, 19, 41:08
23. Nick Oschman, 14, 43:36
30. Bill Langan, 38, 47:22
34. Kevin Moran, 42, 49:15
40. C.J. O'Donnell, 39, 55:16
41. Tom Berezich, 60, 55:27
46. Karen Downs, 34, 57:24
47. Paul Gittin, 49, 59:39

## Cyclones going to finals

The Back Mountain Cyclones won in overtime on Sunday, 1-0, against the third place Mountain Top Bears. Scoreless for the first hour of regulation play, four minutes into overtime, Harry Schall made a beautiful cross to Tim Ropel to win the playoff game. Mike Gashi came up big in goal. The Cyclones were knocked out of first place in division play last week, losing in the final minute to the Abington Strikers, 2-1. The Cyclones will face Abington again for the championship on Sunday, at the Luzerne County Recreation Fields, Forty Fort.

## BOWLING RESULTS

### BACK MOUNTAIN BOWL

**Back Mountain Bowl Friday Nite Mixed League**, The Erasers 21-7, "A" Team 16-12, Mother Yuckers 16-12, Lucky Five 15-13, Head Pins 14-14, Pin Action 12-16, Nofkgway 10-18, Intimidators 8-20.  
Top Men Scorers: Jerry Prebola 649, Rob Yokem 589, Garry Shelly 575.  
Top Women Scorers: Wendy Strunk 511, Idella Dymond 488, Lori Piazza 484.

### Back Mountain Youth League

**Bantams**, The Pin Crushers 15-3, The Shark Pins 10-8, Bears 5-5-12.5, Wolves 5-5-12.5.  
Top Boy Scorers: Kyle Fine 125-221, Mike Teminko 138-207, Bryan Brokenshire 87-147, Scott Judson 77-147, Tommy Lynch 82-138, Scott Traver 73-130, Dakota Tunis 56-107, David Allen 75-75, Zachary Nase 73-73, Todd Rubin 41-41.  
Top Girl Scorers: Kyle Ann Tunis 65-124, Chloe Renner 38-72, Shelby Rubin 12-12.  
**Junior/Seniors**, The Evil Ones 17-7, Zippos 14.5-9.5, The Second Placers 10-14, The Devils 6.5-17.5.  
Top Boy Scorers: Joe DeMuro 209-549, Carl Bartizek 170-474, Tim Doty 161-426, Jake Riddle 148-420, Jonathan Kopcho 145-362, John Parsons 126-337, Gary Cobleigh 118-315, Kevin Mills 94-241, Tim Allen 86-240.  
Top Girl Scorers: Sam Laskowski 201-438, Megan Strunk 126-344, Jennifer Jones 129-333, Marina Suder 127-286.

**Pee Wees**  
Top Boy Scorers: Eric Pincofski 82, Matthew Caffrey 60, Ronnie Ziomek 59, Lucas Nase 54, Michael Peck 50, David Burgerhoff 49.  
Top Girl Scorers: Taylor Brokenshire 55.  
**Preps**, The Ball Bombers 17-7, America Rules 15-9, Vipers 9-15, Penetrators 7-17.  
Top Boy Scorers: Chris Buchanan 138-377, Travis Doty 128-352, Jessie Tunis 121-324, Eddie Ruger 103-306, Neil Popko 123-391, Mike Llewellyn 95-280, Henry Judson 89-243, Will Wilson 102-239, Matt Malak 88-223, Alex Suder 101-222,

Drew Clouse 103-212, Anthony LaFratte 57-149.  
Top Girl Scorers: Alyx Stephens 98-270, Jessie DeMuro 94-248.

**Ladies Country League**, Trail Blazers 24-12, Thunderbirds 20.5-15.5, Corvettes 18.5-17.5, Town Cars 17-19, Mustangs 14.5-21.5, Hot Rods 13.5-22.5.  
Top Scorers: Mindy Schuler 201-189-182-572, Shirley Hoopengardner 206-179-162-547, Sara Beckett 157-207-182-546, Sharyon Ragukonis 178-175-179-532, Suzy Thompson 166-172-174-512, Rose Radzinski 154-148-203-505.

**Native Textiles**, Nobodys 19-9, Needy 18.5-9.5, What's That 18-10, 4 K's and a C 18-10, Strike Force 15-13, Ball Busters 14.5-13.5, Old Timer +4 14-14, The Erasers 14-14, Just Us 13-15, The Family + "T" 12-16, Cookie Less 7-21.  
Top Men Scorers: Jamie Deremer 256-662, Rob Lambert 224-623, Gary Schooley 227-604, Jason Dietz 239-600, Len Laskowski 203-590.  
Top Women Scorers: Elaine Coburn 211-534, Annette Dunn 183-521, Karen Laskowski 193-469, Barb Kopko 156-441, Grace Pisano 166-437.

**Sunday Night Mixed Couples**, Shaver's 18-10, Strazdus' Rich 18-10, Strazdus' G 16-12, Welitchko's 15-13, Gula's 14-14, Nice's 13.5-14.5, Palmer's 10.5-17.5, Strazdus Ray Sr 7-21.  
Top Men Scorers: Greg Strazdus 242-179-567, Hall Shaver 201-196-533, Rich Strazdus 197-163-521, Art Faux 182-171-514, Gene Smith 180-173-500.  
Top Women Scorers: Michelle Faux 205-160-535, Connie Bolcarovic 151-150-458, Chris Pizzano 170-155-456, Pat Smith 146-140-416, Larisa Hillard 155-135-410.  
Leading Averages (Men): Dan Palmer 180, Hall Shaver 178, Greg Strazdus 172, Rich Strazdus 168, Ray Strazdus 167.  
Leading Averages (Women): Betty King 161, Marie Nice 160, Chris Pizzano 156, Connie Bolcarovic 154, Gert Owens 149.

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