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Goshen Cross Country sweeps Monticello for second in division

Many Gladiators achieve new personal bests

Girls, boys planning to run in this Saturday's Frank Romano 5K

Coaches Kerri Wright & Kyle Lewis

On Thursday, Oct. 15, the Gladiator Cross Country teams traveled up to Sullivan County to take on Monticello for their last dual meet of the regular season.

The boys used this meet as a workout and ran in packs for much of the 3-mile race. This allowed for some boys to run an easier pace providing them a well-deserved break, while helping many other members of the squad to reach a personal best time.

After all Gladiators had crossed the finish line, out of 19 boys who ran, 10 set new personal records for the season. Among the most improved were Ivan Torres (18:28), who cut more than 30 seconds from his previous best time, and Connor McDermott (20:13), who ran more than a minute faster than his previous best.

Also setting new PRs at Monticello were Ralph Dones (21:32), Spencer Doyle (24:08), Amit Fuchs (21:38), Kyle Haller (18:05), Jared Hludzinski (21:16), Niko McPhee (24:09), Kevin Poppe (23:44) and Fernando Villamil (20:19).

The Gladiators had six boys finish before the first runner from Monticello, for a perfect score of 15-50.

The boys finish the regular season with a record of 2-1 in Division III, and 3-2 overall. They also broke back into the state rankings this week, coming in 24th among all Class B schools in New York.

The Lady Glads defeated Monticello 24-31, securing second place in division three. Nine out of the ten runners ran their personal best time!

Olivia Elston ran her way to a first place finish with a time of 19:06, a personal best by 1:36. Elston has improved every race!

Morgan Serkes finished in fourth place with a time of 19:49, a 16-second personal best. Madison Montgomery (20:05) and Haley Maerz (20:08) placed fifth and sixth respectively which secured the win. Maerz ran a personal best time by 58 seconds.

Tessa Schaumberg (20:43) and Kaitlyn McGovern (22:08) improved by 33 and 26 seconds respectively. Victoria Fini (24:05), Amanda Beck (24:95) and Rosemary Smith (30:56) were the most improved of the day; all three of them have improved every race. Fini ran a 1:32 personal best, Beck a 2:17 personal best and Smith a 3:58 personal best!

The Lady Glads are currently ranked 19th in New York State Class B.



Goshen cross country team members volunteered at Sunday's Hambletonian Marathon. Here are a few shots of the Gladiators helping coordinate the young people's races on Historic Track. The teens also took care of announcing marathon finisher's names, and awarding medals, water bottles and blankets at the finish line. Thanks to Coach Kyle Lewis for the photos!

