

Eureka dominates H-DN Cross Country Championships

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The Loggers stuck to their namesake and chopped down the rest of the competition.

The Eureka High School boys and girls cross country teams dominated the rest of the field to claim the top spots at the Humboldt-Del Norte Cross Country Championships on Saturday at the Arcata Marsh.

A total of 11 Logger runners -- six boys and five girls -- finished in the top 10 individually.

The Eureka boys were paced by first-place finisher Nick Kraus who crossed the line at 16 minutes, 34 seconds. He was followed by teammate Robin O'Connell who came in at 16:42. McKinleyville's Tyler Coley came in third with a time of 16:46.

Ezara Carlson (3rd, 16:55), Cole Scheffler (6th, 17:35), Jordan Krupa (7th, 17:35) and Aleks Holm (9th, 17:45) were the other Loggers in the top 10.

The Eureka girls were led by first-place runner Imogene Carson who finished with a time of 20:01. She was eight seconds faster than Del Norte's Zara Gastinaeu who finished second at 20:09.

Third place went to Eureka's Carolyn Smullin (20:34) while Arcata's Erin McNulty finished fourth at 20:39.

Hanna Vlansey (6th, 21:40), Riann Thayer (22:00) and Maria Martinelli (22:36) were the other Loggers in the top 10.

The H-DN will find out in about two weeks which runners will compete in the North Coast Section Cross Country Championships which are scheduled for Nov. 20 at Hayward High School.

H-DN Championships

at Arcata Marsh

Results

Team Champions: Eureka --

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Boys and Girls

Top 10 Individuals

Boys

1. Nick Kraus Eureka 16:34

2. Robin O'Connell Eureka 16:42

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7. Jordan Krupa Eureka 17:35 8. Jon Merrill McKinleyville 17:42 9. Aleks Holm Eureka 17:45 10. Jose Lopez Arcata 17:51 Girls 1. Imogene Carson Eureka 20:01

3. Carolym Smullin Eureka 20:34 4. Erin McNulty Arcata 20:39

2. Zara Gastineau Del Norte 20:09

- 5. Kenzie Rice Fortuna 21:21
- 6. Hanna Vlansey Eureka 21:40
- 7. Vera Heidmann Arcata 21:50
- 8. Jazmen McGinnis Arcata 21:57
- 9. Riann Thayer Eureka 22:00
- 10. Maria Martinelli Eureka 22:36

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