

Clear Fork girls, Northmor boys post wins

LUCAS — Overcoming the mud and rain, Clear Fork's Jenny Solomon and teammate Dusty Henry outdistanced the competition, finishing in the top two spots to lead the Colts to a victory in the girls portion of the Lucas Cub Classic Saturday.

Northmor's Jason Auck took third place with a time of 18:13 to top his squad, which won the boys event.

The duo of Solomon and Henry finished back to back with times of 21:52 and 21:55, respectively, for the victorious Colts, but only three complete teams completed for the team championship.

Northmor came in second in team competition, tallying 30 points to tie with the Clear Fork. The tie was broken by the fifth runner.

Allisson Butler led the Golden Knights with a third-place finish and time of 22:01, while teammate Jenny Thornton finished right behind her in fourth place with a time of 22:06.

Karen Neighburger finished at 24:08 to lead Loudonville, which came in third overall.

Kristy Stout came in 14th with a time of 25:02, Lucas' Sarah Keppler finished 16th with an effort of 25:13, and Jody Eichelberger's 21st place time of 25:37 led Hillsdale. All three schools did not field enough runners to compete as a team.

Northmor topped the seven complete boys teams with 37 points, with Aron Fraizer adding a sixth place effort of 18:38.

Clear Fork's boys squad took second, led by freshmen Brad Palmer and Joe Hamilton. Palmer finished at 18:00 to take second place, and Hamilton came in fourth with a time of 18:22.

Loudonville finished third, sparked by Jason Neubig's first place finish and time of 17:58, edging Clear Fork's Palmer by a mere two seconds.

Troy Gilmore (17th, 19:50) and Geoff Ball (22nd, 20:19) led Hillsdale to a fifth place finish. Chris McClontock topped Plymouth with a an 18th place time of 20:01, while Lucas' Charles Toms came in fifth with a time of 18:35.