

Nov 8

Bear harriers make their point

Menlo-Atherton High's boys ran with so much heart, figuratively, that they accomplished what might have been a mathematical million-to-one shot in the South Peninsula Athletic League cross country finals on the greatest day in Bear harrier history.

Meanwhile Tuesday, Woodside freshman Linda Van Housen ran with enough heart at Crystal Springs in Belmont, literally, to show she may be one girl in a million.

On a day when the smoke from farm burning in the San Joaquin Valley made running a real chore, M-A copped the varsity (36-37), junior varsity (43-44) and freshman (37-38) championships over many-time champion Carlmont—but by one point in each division.

In cross-country, one-point races in-league finals are rare enough. To have three such victories by one team over another—in races where a total of 94 runners from

six schools competed—involves astronomical odds.

Van Housen's success was equally hard-earned.

The little Wildcat freshman, in only her second meet back after a four-week layoff to have thorough checks done on a functional heart murmur, ran the race of her life—an outstanding 18:54 over Crystal's hilly 2.95-mile layout—to defeat defending female champ Paula Folanini of Carlmont.

Carlmont's Kevin O'Connor extended his varsity season edge to three wins in five races against junior class rival John Hoch of M-A. O'Connor won the league championship convincingly.

Nov. 11

Bellarmino, St. Francis share honors

Skip Wagstaffe, a Bellarmine Prep senior from Menlo Park, earned a convincing individual victory and St. Francis won an even more decisive team championship Friday in the West Catholic Athletic League cross-country finals at Crystal Springs in Belmont.

Wagstaffe clocked 15:35 over Crystal's hilly 2.95-mile layout to beat runnerup Jim Kaspari, a St. Francis junior from Portola Valley, by 22 seconds.

VARSITY

Team scores — St. Francis 26, Serra 66, Bellarmine 67, St. Ignatius 71, Riordan 130, Sacred Heart incomplete.

Skip Wagstaffe (B) 15:35, 2. Kaspari (SF) 15:57, 3. Gale (SF) 16:03, 4. Hearn (Serra) 16:11, 5. Boitano (SI) 16:19, 6. McClure (SF) 16:22, 7. Cowley (SF) 16:24, 8. Tipton (SF) 16:26, 9. Rochlitz (SF) 16:28, 10. Dorin (SI) 16:29.

JUNIOR VARSITY

Team scores — Bellarmine 35, St. Ignatius 36, Sacred Heart 78, Serra 86, others incomplete.

Jay McKibben (SF) 17:38, 2. Crevelt (SF) 17:44, 3. Navareffe (B) 17:52, 4. Mohr (SI) 18:06, 5. Mohan (SH) 18:22.

FROSH-SOPH

Team scores — St. Francis 41, St. Ignatius 53, Bellarmine 68, Serra 74, Riordan 146, Sacred Heart 197.

John Stanton (SI) 16:43, 2. Cortez (B) 16:53, 3. Toth-Fejel (SF) 17:07, 4. Gillis (SI) 17:15, 5. Kuhl (SF) 17:31.

FRESHMEN

Team scores — Bellarmine 15, St. Ignatius 77, Sacred Heart 81, Riordan 91, Serra 98, St. Francis incomplete.

John Field (B) 17:38, 2. Eckstrom (B) 18:03, 3. Lee (B) 18:29, 4. Hoyne (B) 18:40, 5. Wynn (B) 18:48.

Varsity

Team scores — Menlo-Atherton 36 (82:50), Carlmont 37 (82:18), San Carlos 54 (86:01), Menlo School 95 (90:18), Woodside 99 (91:07), Sequoia incomplete.

Kevin O'Connor (C) 15:18.0, 2. Hoch (M-A) 15:34, 3. Mellquist (C) 15:54, 4. Hauser (M-A) 16:21, 5. Wimmer (MS) 16:23, 6. Carter (M-A) 16:29, 7. Jones (M-A) 16:43, 8. Logothetis (C) 16:46, 9. Taylor (SC) 16:48, 10. Hanna (SC) 16:56.

Girls

Team scores — Carlmont 28 (103:57), San Carlos 60 (111:19), Menlo-Atherton 77 (115:49), Woodside 103 (122:24), Sequoia 103 (126:07).

Linda Van Housen (W) 18:54.0, 2. Folanini (C) 19:35, 3. Harbury (M-A) 20:02, 4. Templeman (C) 20:41, 5. Vaughan (SC) 20:57, 6. Jungsten (C) 21:07, 7. Pless (C) 21:11, 8. Silva (SC) 21:12, 9. Oxley (C) 21:23, 10. Perucchetti (SC) 21:35.

Junior varsity

Team scores — Menlo-Atherton 43 (91:46), Carlmont 44 (92:16), San Carlos 56 (93:19), Woodside 70 (96:56).

Kirk Herrera (C) 16:58, 2. Doyle (W) 17:48, 3. Capelli (C) 18:01, 4. Traum (M-A) 18:05, 5. Porter (SC) 18:10.

Sophomores

Team scores — Carlmont 28 (91:51), Woodside 45 (95:04), San Carlos 67 (103:57), Menlo-Atherton 85 (107:47), Sequoia incomplete.

Nick Sakelarios (Seq) 17:23, 2. Hicke (SC) 17:26, 3. Hayse (C) 17:45, 4. Plottl (W) 17:54, 5. Mellquist (C) 18:06.

Freshmen

Team scores — Menlo-Atherton 37 (93:50), Carlmont 38 (92:43), Woodside 66 (96:49), San Carlos 85 (101:23), Sequoia incomplete.

John Carlson (C) 17:34, 2. A. Sakelarios (Seq) 17:49, 3. Bailey (M-A) 18:06, 4. Hicke (SC) 18:19, 5. Koloszi (M-A) 18:32.

Nov. 12

Cross country

SANTA CLARA VALLEY

Championships

at Foothill College (3 miles)

Team scores — Mountain View 44, Cubberley 88, Buchser 94, Peterson 95, Gunn 119, Santa Clara 124, Palo Alto 191, Los Altos 204, Wilcox 220, Awaft 222.

Individual — I. Gonzales (Mt. View) 15:31; 2. Springer (MView) 15:39; 3. Vavuris (Cubb) 15:55; 4. Kurr (Gunn) 16:06; 5. Cashman (Buch) 16:10.

Girls

Team scores — Gunn 47, St. Francis 82, Cubberley 82, Palo Alto 122, Mountain View 137, Peterson 151, Buchser 154.

Individual — I. Huston (Gunn) 19:43; 2. Loney (MView) 20:10; 3. Vavuris (Cubb) 20:25; 4. Ott (Los Altos) 20:28; 5. Fuller (SF) 20:35.