

Los Gatos wins boys', girls' CCS cross-country titles

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Earlier this season, Los Gatos Coach Willie Harmatz started thinking that maybe his boys' and girls' cross-country teams both had a chance to win the Central Coast Section Division II championships.

After last week's trials, he was sure of it.

"(The girls) needed to beat Mitty to build their confidence," said Harmatz. "And (the boys) needed to beat St. Francis to get some confidence."

Los Gatos did beat Mitty, the defending CCS champion, and St. Francis in the CCS trials and then beat them again in the finals Saturday at Crystal Springs in Belmont to become the first team to win both the boys' and girls' titles.

Bellarmino won the Division I boys' title, its fifth straight CCS championship, and Santa Teresa won the Division I girls' title.

The top two teams and the top five individual finishers not on those teams advance to Saturday's state meet in Fresno.

The biggest challenge for Los

Gatos was in the boys' race, where Half Moon Bay and Palo Alto also had shots at the title.

Los Gatos' boys finished with 89 points to beat Palo Alto (103) and Half Moon Bay (104).

Los Gatos got a good performance from James Metcalf, who finished seventh on the 2.95-mile course in 15 minutes, 47.4 seconds.

Woodside's Andy Bupp won the race and his teammate, John Hanon, finished third, but Woodside didn't field a complete team.

Misty Kalomiros came through to lead the Los Gatos girls, finishing sixth behind Mills' Alva Dancel, who won in 18:49.9.

Los Gatos easily won the girls race with 56 points. Mitty finished second with 70 and Mills was third with 99.

While Harmatz was confident his team could win both titles, Bellarmine Coach Terry Ward wasn't sure whether his team could win its fifth straight.

Bellarmino and Live Oak were both tied atop the CCS rankings coming into the meet.

"I thought we would be dead

even," Ward said.

But Bellarmine's second-through-fourth runners all finished ahead of Live Oak's third runner. Bellarmine scored 74 points to beat Live Oak, which had 91. Independence was third with 163.

Oak Grove's Cliff Papadakis was the Division I boys' individual win-

ner.

Fremont's Beth Bartholomew won the girls' Division I race easily in 18:22.7.

Santa Teresa won the Division I title, scoring 70 points to beat Leland with 78.

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Wilcox held Prospect to a season-low 98 yards passing and scored touchdowns in each quarter to record a 25-6 victory Saturday night in a Central Coast Section Division I 3A playoff game at Cupertino High.

Wilcox (6-4) plays Leland in the semifinals next Saturday at San Jose City College. Monta Vista 28-24.

Prospect, with a record of 5-5, was the West Valley regular season champion.

Wilcox led after Mieh's 27-yard possession. quarter 25 points his