

WIAA STATE CROSS COUNTRY MEET
RIDGES GOLF COURSE
WISCONSIN RAPIDS

CONGRATULATIONS MIKE!

<u>TEAM</u>	<u>SCORE</u>
1.) ARROWHEAD	100
2.) LA CROSSE CENTRAL	110
3.) STEVENS POINT	139
4.) RACINE PARK	141
5.) FOND DU LAC	162
6.) SUN PRAIRIE	205
7.) WAUKESHA WEST	216
8.) OREGON	224
9.) WAUSAU WEST	227
10.) WEST BEND WEST	228
11.) KENOSHA TREMPER	237
12.) HOMESTEAD	241
13.) MUSKEGO	271
14.) D.C. EVERST	289
15.) GREEN BAY PREBLE	336
16.) WAUWATOSA WEST	374

Mike Heidke

One Mile = 5:10

Two Mile = 10:26

Three Miles = 17:17

Place: 54

(110 RUNNERS IN THE RACE)

Mustangs find a way to smile

■ **Despite losing its top runner, Little Chute finishes second in Division 2**

By Chris Speckhard
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WISCONSIN RAPIDS — On an emotional scale, Saturday's WIAA state cross country meet gave Little Chute boys' coach Dave Janssen depths and peaks within moments of each other.

He watched his top runner, Ross Vandenberg, fall out of the race with a cramp. But much of his despair was erased when the Mustangs pulled off a stunning second-place finish in the Division 2 competition at The Ridges Golf Course.

"Bringing home a little hardware, that's great," said Janssen. "I couldn't even see the whole race once Ross came out. I sat in the back of the golf cart with him."

Vandenberg ran in the top 10 for the first 1¾ miles of the 3.1-mile course, but then collapsed and was unable to finish because of a stomach cramp.

"He said he just couldn't run, he said he just cramped up and couldn't go anymore," Janssen said. "It's just a tough break for a good runner who has worked awfully hard to have a tragic thing like this happen."

Despite the loss of Vandenberg, the remaining Mustang runners put together a total score of 132 points. They actually tied for second with Evansville, but Little Chute took runner-up honors because a better sixth-runner finish.

Whitewater won the team title

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with a score of 62, placing three runners in the top 10. Janssen admitted that even with Vandenberg, Little Chute would probably have still taken second.

"I didn't know how close it would have been," he said. "Whitewater had three in and then my whole group came in. Whitewater is really tough. I don't think we could have got them. But it's just outstanding for these guys to come in second and pull together as a team and still pull something out."

Matt Van Vreede led the Mustangs with a 24th-place time of 17:22 and Andy Meyer came in 11 seconds later.

Van Vreede was aware of Vandenberg's situation but the junior didn't know he was Little Chute's lead runner.

"As I came by, I looked on my left and I saw (Vandenberg) down," Van Vreede said. "I thought that Andy was still ahead of me. He wasn't ahead of me but I didn't know that, so I felt that we would still be able to run a good race."

Rory Hurst, Nate Vosters and Matt Hurst came in the top 50, and it was Paul Reybrock's 76th-place finish that gave Little Chute the tie-breaker edge.

Freedom's Dean Aerts, who qualified as an individual, took 30th.

In Division 3, Justin Breyhan, who led Amherst to the Algoma sectional championship last week, came in 11th place. The Falcons finished eighth with 171 team points.

"It's my senior year, I can't complain," said Breyhan. "This hill (at the end) was tough, but (individual

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champion Kevin Cullen) just kept pushing me up the hill the whole way."

Nick Stelzer, who finished second to Breyhan at Algoma last week, placed 46th.

Dugan Webster of Appleton East and Mike Heidtke of Neenah were individual qualifiers in Division 1. Webster finished 39th while Heidtke came in 54th.

DIVISION 1
HARTLAND ARROWHEAD 100, LA CROSSE CENTRAL 110, STEVENS POINT 139, RACINE PARK 141, FOND DU LAC 162, SUN PRAIRIE 205, WAUKESHA WEST 216, OREGON 224, WAUSAU WEST 237, WEST BEND WEST 228, KENOSHA TREMPER 237, MEQUON HOMESTEAD 241, MUSKEGO 271, SCHOFIELD D.C. EVEREST 289, GREEN BAY PREBLE 336, WAUWATOSA WEST 374.

Top 10 finishers

1, Gabe Jennings, Madison East, 16:08; 2, Cornelius Hill, Milwaukee Bay View, 16:20; 3, Pat Gaynor, Oak Creek, 16:23; 4, Adam Meier, Kenosha Bradford, 18:26; 5, Ben Schaut, Schofield, 18:28; 6, Matt Hadler, Menominee Falls, 16:31; 7, John Johnson, Hartland, 16:34; 8, Nick Minderman, West Bend West, 16:35; 9, Ryan Meissen, Hudson, 16:37; 10, Jason Tomrell, Muskego, 16:38.

Area results

Appleton East: 39, Dugan Webster 17:07.
Neenah: 54, Mike Heidtke 17:17.

DIVISION 2

WHITEWATER 64, LITTLE CHUTE 132, EVANSVILLE 132, KIEL 134, MC FARLAND 138, PHILLIPS 152, BIG FOOT 152, RIPON 152, VALDERS 174, AMERY 204, WEST SALEM 227, COLBY 269.

Top 10 finishers

1, Ben Meas, Whitewater, 16:23; 2, Jeff Olson, Amery, 16:31; 3, Jason Marin, Evansville, 18:41; 4, Jesse Lalonde, Park Falls, 16:47; 5, Brad Roh, Dodgeville, 16:48; 6, Erich Rathke, West Salem, 16:49; 7, Heath Fillebrown, Whitewater, 16:49; 8, Dennis Bauer, Whitewater, 16:53; 9, Tony Meyers, Barron, 16:55; 10, Jamie Arenz, Kiel, 16:58.

Area results

Freedom: 30, Dean Aerts 17:29.

Little Chute: 24, Matt Van Vreede 17:22; 33, Andy Meyer 17:33; 37, Rory Hurst 17:35; 45, Nate Vosters 17:38; 49, Matt Hurst 17:43; 78, Paul Reybrock 18:32; DNF, Ross Vandenberg.

DIVISION 3

COCHRANE-FOUNTAIN CITY 65, DARLINGTON 70, DRUMMOND 110, RIB LAKE 110, PRENTICE 138, FENNIMORE 143, CADOTT 158, AMHERST 171, GIBALTAR 175, NEW GLARUS-MONTICELLO 205.

Top 10 finishers

1, Kevin Cullen, Rib Lake, 16:48; 2, Craig Schwarz, Cedar Grove, 16:53; 3, Joe Wolfe, Cochrane-Fountain City, 16:57; 4, Tim Rand, Grantsburg, 17:01; 5, Patrick Cleary, Darlington, 17:03; 8, Brandon Langer, Somerset, 17:03; 7, Brian McIntyre, Darlington, 17:04; 8, Seth Behrends, Drummond, 17:04; 9, Gregg Wheeler, Princeton, 17:07; 10, Joe Semling, Cochrane-Fountain City, 17:14.

Area results

Amherst: 11, Justin Breyhan 17:18; 29, Brandon Trzebiatowski 17:53; 54, Ryan Palmer 18:27; 65, Dan Orska 18:41; 73, Matt Neumann 18:59; 79, Lee Gibbs 19:16; 81, Ahren Groshek 19:21.
Brillifons 48, Nick Stelzer 18:11.

