CROCKETT GIRLS SECOND, BOYS FOURTH AT CCHS CROSS-COUNTRY INVITATIONAL



Above: Crockett's Alivia Hale went straight to the front right off the gun, battling Obion County's Ainsley Sadler in the early going. (Photo by Ron Barry)

On a day when the heat index had to be approaching the temperature of molten lava, Crockett County's cross-country teams managed a couple of cool performances at the annual CCHS Invitational 5K Run Tuesday.

Coach Julie Nass's girls placed second in the team standings – a mere five points away from the championship – and her boys finished fourth, also just five points from the next higher position. Adding further encouragement to Nass's optimism is the fact that, had there not been an in-race injury to a Crockett runner in each competition, both squads could likely have moved up a notch.

As it was, Nass was not complaining at all. Four Lady Cavaliers posted Top 20 finishes to medal in the girls division, with another barely missing, and freshman Jose Aguirre continued to serve notice among the boys by placing eighth in a field of 105. Two other Cavs were in the Top 30, and another barely missed.

Girls medalists were Alivia Hale (5th), Avery Thornton (7th), Caroline Scruggs (18th), and Marley Thornton (20th), with freshman Olivia Barger almost cashing in at 21st. For the boys – backing Aguirre – Uriel Diaz was 24th, Hutsen Stephens 29th, Nathan Bailey 31st, and Mase Utley 52nd.

Later this fall at the Sectionals, Top 4 placements will send your team to the TSSAA State Championships, so Nass was very pleased with the early-season progress of her troops.

USJ freshman Hadley Haltom won the girls individual race by more than a minute over teammate Addyson Kirkland. Obion County, getting solid runs from junior Ainsley Sadler and senior Klicey Campbell, captured the team title.

On the boys side, Union City's Woodrow McKinnis was a 19-second victor over Augustine's Liam Johnson. Union City easily captured the team championship.

Crockett County Invitational 5K Run
Final Girls Team Scores: (1) Obion County 40; (2) Crockett County 45; (3) USJ 59; (4) Lexington 73. Other Schools Competing: West TN Home Education Association, Union City, South Gibson County, Dyer County, Trinity Christian Academy, Gibson County, Huntingdon, Augustine School, Madison Academic, McNairy Central, Haywood, Henry County, and Jackson Central-Merry.

Girls Top 20 Individuals: (1) Hadley Haltom, USJ 22:01.34; (2) Addyson Kirkland, USJ 23:07.67; (3) Ainsley Sadler, Obion 23:36.00; (4) Eva Lewis, Lex 23:38.57; (5) Alivia Hale, Crockett 23:40.53; (6) Klicey Campbell, Obion 23:50.00; (7) Avery Thornton, Crockett 24:32.10; (8) Julia Campbell, WTHEA 25:03.78; (9) Stella Graham, UC 25:20.66; (10) Ainsley Beard, UC 25:21.58; (11) Chloe Adcock, Obion 25:36.06; (12) Anna Fox, WTHEA 25:40.72; (13) Peyton Tharp, SGC 25:55.31; (14) Bailey Haliburton, Dyer Co 25:58.24; (15) Makenzie Patterson, TCA 26:11.27; (16) Adley Thompson, Gibson Co 26:18.75; (17) Avery Coffey, Obion 26:41.16; (18) Caroline Scruggs, Crockett 26:44.84; (19) Kaylen Cary, Hunt 26:50.13; (20) Marley Thornton, Crockett 27:14.35. Other Crockett Runners: (21) Olivia Barger 28:12.87; (31) Hannah Wede 29:24.29; (35) Cesia Sanchez 30:28.36; (36) Anahy De La Rosa 30:54.87; (41) Bradlee Dodd 32:41.53; (50) Catherine Scruggs 33:54.74. Total Runners: 60.

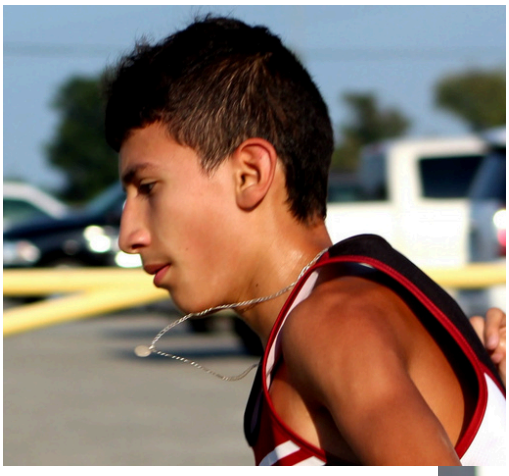
Final Boys Team Scores: (1) 1 Union City 39; (2) Obion County 95; (3) Lexington 131; (4) Crockett County 136; (5) WTHEA 140: (6) South Gibson County 149; (7) Huntingdon 157; (8) Madison Academic 158; (9) Augustine 164; (10) Trinity Christian Academy 215; (11) Henry County 275. Other Schools Competing: USJ, McNairy Central, Dyersburg, Gibson County, JCM, Ripley, Dyer County, West Carroll, Haywood, and Liberty Tech.



Left: Avery Thornton maintained a Top 10 position throughout the entire race. (Photo by Ron Barry)

Boys Top 20 Individuals: (1) 1 Woodrow McKinnis, UC 17:56.26; (2) Liam Johnson, Augustine 18:15.49; (3) Miloh Turner, UC 18:22.38; (4) Madix Turner, UC 18:40.86; (5) Jonas Craig, Madison 18:49.70; (6) Clay Pruett, SGC 18:51.37; (7) Brody Fields, UC 19:29.07; (8) Jose Aguirre, Crockett 19:33.80; (9) Jason McNair Jr, USJ 19:48.69; (10) Briar Lofton, Obion 19:50.81; (11) Brady Dunn, Obion 19:56.50; (12) Carter Molands, Obion 19:58.42; (13) Easton Nelson, SGC 20:00.40; (14) Jacob Pace, Lex 20:00.74; (15) Fulton Armstrong, Lex 20:11.72; (16) Derek Hodge, Hunt 20:12.87; (17) Walker Blair, Madison 20:19.28; (18) Sammy Williams, Augustine 20:27.35; (19) Cody Partridge, Hunt 20:28.52; (20) Levi Dahl, WTHEA 20:28.73. Other Crockett Runners: (24) Uriel Diaz 20:58.22; (29) Hutsen Stephens 21:21.16; (31) Nathan Bailey 21:45.42; (52) Mase Utley 23:25.15; (63) Gabe Williams 24:31.09; (67) Javier Aguirre 25:01.57; (95) Joseph Melendez 30:27.38. Total Runners: 105.

HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL: Crockett coach Andrew Laman was probably thinking "you've got to be kidding me!" when his Lady Cavaliers won a 25-23 first set at Dyersburg Tuesday – the sixth 25-23 outcome in the last three matches. But Crockett has won all of them, and after the Lady Cavs grabbed that first set Tuesday, they proceeded to roll over the Lady Trojans 25-15 and 25-11 in the next two to earn a sweep, improving to 11-4 on the season.



Left: Cavalier freshman Jose Aguirre has his necklace flying as he zooms past the school building on the second lap of the 5K race, heading for an eighth-place finish. (Photo by Ron Barry)

Below: While many runners were wilting in the miserable heat, Obion County senior Klicey Campbell was smiling during her final lap as she helped her school to the girls team title. (Photo by Ron Barry)

Below: Alivia Hale, girls medalist. (Photo by Ron Barry)





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Above: Crockett's girls placed second overall in the team competition, just five points out of first place. (Photo by Ron Barry)

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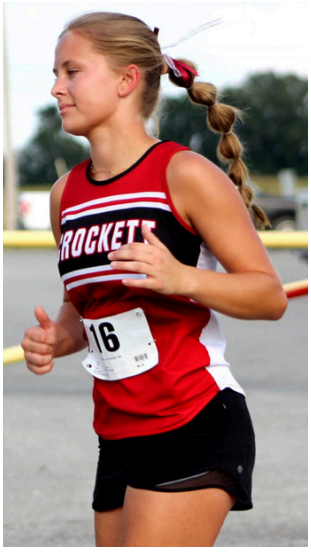
Below: Hutsen Stephens, Top 30 finish. (Photo by Ron Barry)



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Right: Uriel Diaz, Top 25 finish. (Photo by Ron Barry)







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