

## Munising runner first in Class C

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Escanaba High School successfully defended its Class A-B title and new champions were crowned in Classes C and D in the annual Upper Peninsula Cross-Country Championships held Wednesday afternoon at the Marquette Golf and Country Club.

Norway succeeded Munising as the Class C titlist

and Class D in which competition was held as a separate division for the first time this fall was won by Chassall.

Escanaba won Class A-B with a team total of 53 points. The Eskymos shared the top spot a year ago with Ironwood and both schools were regarded as pre-meet favorites this fall, but Menominee finished second in

the division. Calumet was third and Ironwood dropped to fourth.

Other participants and the order in which they finished were Ishpeming, Eladstone, Sault Ste. Marie, Marquette, West Iron County and Kingsford.

Rudyard was the runnerup in Class C, followed by Westwood, Munising, Han-

cock, Newberry and Stephenson.

Perkins took second in Class D. Other schools participating and the order in which they finished were Painesdale, Jeffers, Watersmeet, Pickford, Trenary, Bergland, Eben, DeTour, Big Bay de Noc, Cedarville, Brimley and Ironwood Catholic.

Trophies were awarded by the Michigan High School

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Athletic Association to the first and second place winners in each enrollment division.

Individual winners were Dean Benoit of Escanaba in A with a time of 16:07.7 for the three-mile course, Greg Harger of Munising in C in 16:18.5, and Terry Verbrigghe of Perkins in D with a clocking of 16:01.7, the fastest time of the day. Verbrigghe set a new Upper Peninsula record since separate competition for Class C schools was held for the first time, but clockings in the other two divisions were well off existing marks.

Medals were awarded also to the top 15 finishers in each division by the state association. Medal winners were as follows:

**Class A-B**—Dean Benoit, Escanaba; Wayne Beckman, Ironwood; Paul Peterson, Escanaba, Tom Theoret, Gladstone; Tony Stuppig, Menominee; Fred Saykly, Escanaba; Dick Shatusky, Menominee; Dan Carlson, Ishpeming; Steve Hogan, Almet; Tim Kennedy, Ironwood; Jeff LeHaye, Menominee; Curtis Leppanen, Ishpeming; Grant Pittman, Marquette; Carl Hellman, Almet and Dave Hill, Weston County.

**Class C**—Greg Harger, Munising; Mike Degeneard, Ironwood; John Vonderworth, Ironwood; Jeff Johnson, Westwood; Mike Phillips, Ironwood; Pat Degeneard, Ironwood; Tom Wright, Hancock; Gary Mueller, Norway; Charles Williams, Newberry; Dan Routhier, Stephenson, Champion; Westwood.



Greg Harger of Munising is shown leading the Class C field home in the Upper Peninsula Cross-Country Championships held Wednesday afternoon at the Marquette Golf and Country Club. Although Harger won the individual championship, the Mathers relinquished the team title, finishing in fourth place behind Norway, Rudyard and Westwood.—(Mining Journal photo)

## Wings' top draft pick paying early dividends

DETROIT (AP) — Forward Bill Lohead, the Detroit Red Wings' No. 1 draft choice, is paying early dividends on his four-year contract, estimated between \$400,000 and \$500,000.

Lohead fired a 20-foot slap shot past Atlanta goalie Dan Bouchard with 31 seconds left in the second period to snap a 2-2 tie as the Red Wings took a 4-2 National Hockey League victory Wednesday night over

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**Class D**—Terry Verbrigghe, Perkins; Mark Palosaari, Chassell; Craig Chartier, Eben; Carl Jalkanen, Chassell; Tim Leach, Pickford; Allen Schenk, Watersmeet; Art Storch, Perkins; Mark Ranta, Chassell; Dennis O'Reilly, Trenary; Mark Branstrom, Perkins; Brian Binnepela, Chassell; Bill Lystala, Painesdale; Jeffers; Ricky Hendrickson, Trenary; Pat Peterson, Watersmeet and John Parrish, DeTour.