

# Cards' Bob Bates wins Class B regional

BATH — Coldwater's Bob Bates earned first place honors with a time of 15:54 in the Class B Regional Championship Cross Country meet on Saturday to qualify for the state tournament.

Hillsdale finished with 95 points to upset fifth-ranked Jackson Lumen Christi for the title. Ionia was second with 100 points, and Lumen Christi finished third with 103.



BOB BATES

The Cardinals' boys' team finished sixth in the 21-team field. Coldwater's Ted Thayer took 10th place. Both Bates and Thayer made the All-Region team. The top 20 finishers qualify for the state tournament, which will be held at the New Boston-Huron's course at Willow Metropark.

In the girls' event, the Lady Cards finished a fine fourth place with 137 points, but the team didn't qualify for the state tournament.

Coldwater's Jill Strawser took fourth place with a time of 19:24, while Joy Strawser finished 10th at 20:00; Joan Monroe took 16th, at 20:26. The top 20 finishers in the girls' division also qualifies for the state tournament. Both Jill and Joy Strawser earned All-Region honors.

Chelsea's Kasey Anderson won the race with a time of 18:41. Jackson Lumen Christi won the title with 72 points, while Chelsea finished second with 84, and Fowlerville, third with 121.

Coach Jim Bilaborrow said, "Although we are disappointed neither Coldwater team qualified for State, we are very pleased with what five of our runners achieved."

Hillsdale's Amy Lovelette, Albion's Terry Langston and Marshall's Andy Portinga are other area runners that qualified for the state tournament.

# Bronson's girls' win CC Regional crown

ST. JOSEPH — The Bronson Vikings' girls' cross country team won the Class C Regional title to advance to the state tournament which will be held at Bath on Saturday. The Quincy Orioles also qualified for the state tourney, as they finished in third place.

It was the second straight year that the Vikings won the Regional title.

Bronson's Dodie Wiler took fourth place with a time of 20:44, while Nichole Hutchins finished eighth at 21:08; Pam Smith was ninth at 21:11; Heather Badgley took 35th place at 23:05; Angie Cuthbert, 37th at 23:20; Tanya Skaggs, 39th at 23:27 and Tonla Bercaw, 75th at 25:47.

Quincy's Shasta McClughen finished ninth, with a time of 21:14, while Linda Kurtz took 10th place at 21:30; Cary Coonce finished 20th at 22:13; Angie Cook, 27th at 22:38; Jill Clark, 33rd at 23:05; Cori VandyBogurt, 43rd at 23:47 and Gaye Coolman, 80th at 28:31.

Quincy's boys' team took 16th place.

The Orioles' Don Banker took 29th place at 18:32, while Rich Schultz earned 71st at 20:04; Jeff Erts, 84th at 20:40; Shane Russell, 88th at 20:53 and Eric Lattis, 101st at 21:51.

Bronson's boys' team finished in 17th place.

The Vikings' L.D. Wiler finished 56th, with a time of 19:34, while Jim Daniels took 63rd, at 19:43; Doug Anderson, 69th at 20:00; Gene Jones, 97th at 21:11; Mike Scott, 99th at 21:17; Tom Haviland, 104th at 21:44 and Ray Verrill, 106th at 21:58.

Edwardsburg won the Class C Regional boys' title with 85 points.

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