

Conditions were near perfect and the Kiel cross country teams ran near perfect races last Friday in the Mike Hurlbert Invitational at Mayville.

The Raider girls came away with the championship and the boys team took second.

Alexis Genke's fifth place finish keyed the Kiel girls. Her time was 16:21. Rosemary Mueller was sixth at 16:31, Abby Gilsdorf eighth at 16:50, Jena Williams 16<sup>th</sup> at 17:20 and Samantha Platz 22<sup>nd</sup> at 17:42.

The meet has a combined varsity-JV race. The next six Kiel girls were Kristin Mathes (19:10), Melanie Westphalen (19:18), Alexandra Kuehl (19:59), Brittany Meyer (20:05), Nicole Christel (20:37) and Rebecca Horneck (21:03).

Slinger beat Kiel for the boys title.

Andrew Maile's fifth place finish at 17:33 led Kiel. Isaiah Grybush was tenth at 17:55, followed by David Helf 16<sup>th</sup> in 18:16, Ben Behnke 33<sup>rd</sup> in 18:56 and Dustin Esswein 50<sup>th</sup> in 19:38. The next six Raiders were Anthony Meyer (20:30), Josh Coleman (20:34), Matt Ritger (20:40), CJ Brennan (21:14), Tyler Schickert (21:21) and Zach Droste (21:57).

Thursday finds Kiel in the Valders Invitational where they do battle with the host Vikings and Chilton. Both Kiel and Chilton girls have won every meet they have been in during the young cross country season.