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Cross Country



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WIGTON, KOEPEL EARN FIRST PLACES AT TRIBE OPEN

The University at Buffalo cross country teams swept individual honors as the Bulls competed at the Tribe Open hosted by the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, VA on Saturday. Only the women's race was scored for team results as the Bulls finished third with 78 points behind first-place Virginia (34) and host William and Mary (47). The men's event was not scored.

UB runners won both the men's 8K and women's 6K races among large fields of runners. UB sophomore **Andy Wigton (Rochester, NY/Greece-Athena)** took the men's race in 25:22.57 to finish six seconds ahead of the competition consisting of 107 runners. UB junior **Jenny Koepfel (Amherst, NY/Amherst)** took the women's race among a field of 82 racers with a 21:50.25 clocking, more than 30 seconds ahead of the second-place runner, Virginia's Shannon Hawrylo (22:21.18).

Other runners to finish for the Bulls in the men's race included senior **Joel Beatty (Holley, NY/Holley)**, who placed 15th in 26:23.39, and freshman **Dan McKenna (Liverpool, NY/Liverpool)**, who took 21st in 26:38.68. **Ben Cady (Buffalo, NY/City Honors)** was next for the Bulls in 26:52.80 for 30th place. Rounding out the UB contingent were **Jeff Cysz (Kenmore, NY/Kenmore West)** in 38th place in 27:06.08, **Steve Strellick (Rochester, NY/Greece-Athena)** in 43rd in 27:20.52, **Andy Leonard (Spencerport, NY/Churchville-Chili)** in 49th place in 27:38.43 and **Chris McClure (Trumansburg, NY/Trumansburg)** in 68th place in 28:43.98.

Joining Koepfel in the top 10 was **Megan Housel (Webster, NY/Webster Schroeder)** with her ninth-place finish in a season-best 22:55.68, cutting 22 seconds off her best 6K time of the season. **Hollie Rhodes (Elmira, NY/Elmira Southside)** was 19th in a season best 23:23.64 while **Jen Jezorski (Elmira, NY/Elmira Southside)** and **Jennie Donofrio (Penfield, NY/Penfield)** were 26th and 27th, respectively. Jezorski crossed the line in 23:38.36 while Donofrio finished in 23:41.87, cutting her season-best by more than 35 seconds. Other finishers for the Bulls included **Kayleigh Wheelless (Syracuse, NY/Westhill)** in 35th place in 23:59.70, **Kate Kohout (Clarence, NY/Clarence)** in 36th place in a season-best 24:02.35 and **Brigid Horigan (Galway, NY/Galway)** in 46th place in 24:30.32.

2003 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

September

Sat., 6	at Tommy Evans Invitational	M: 2nd of 3	W: 2nd of 4
Sat., 13	at Miami Invitational	M: 4th of 5	W: 5th of 7
Sat., 27	at Meet of Champions	M: 15th of 19	W: 17th of 18

October

Sat., 4	at Paul Short Invitational	M: 18th of 33	W: 19th of 32
Sat., 11	UB INVITATIONAL	M: 1st of 6	W: 2nd of 5
Sat., 18	at Tribe Open	M: no team score	W: 3rd of 10
	at Harry F. Anderson Invite	M: no team	W: no team

November

Sat., 1	at MAC Championships	11:00 am	Akron, OH
Sat., 15	at NCAA Northeast Regionals	2:00 pm	Boston, MA
Mon., 24	at NCAA Championships	1:00 pm	Cedar Falls, IA

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TOP FINISHERS

Sept. 6	at Tommy Evans Invitational		
	Men (4 miles): Andy Wigton	20:47 (6th of 25)	
	Women (5K): Jenny Koepfel	18:26 (2nd of 30)	
Sept. 13	at Miami Invitational		
	Men (8K): Dan McKenna	26:25.75 (11th of 52)	
	Women (5K): Jenny Koepfel	18:07.26 (7th of 75)	
Sept. 27	at Iona Meet of Champions		
	Men (8K): Andy Wigton	26:25.2 (29th of 158)	
	Women (6K): Jenny Koepfel	22:31.1 (16th of 148)	
Oct. 4	at Paul Short Invitational		
	Men (8K): Andy Wigton	25:01.28 (20th of 233)	
	Women (6K): Jenny Koepfel	21:38.52 (18th of 224)	
Oct. 11	UB INVITATIONAL		
	Men (8K): Andy Wigton	26:11.7 (1st of 50)	
	Women (5K): Jenny Koepfel	18:36.5 (1st of 56)	
Oct. 18	at Tribe Open		
	Men (8K): Andy Wigton	25:22.57 (1st of 107)	
	Women (6K): Jenny Koepfel	21:50.25 (1st of 82)	
	at Harry F. Anderson Invitational		
	Men (8K): John Flor	26:38 (8th of 103)	
	Women (5K): Susanna Cronmiller	19:53 (17th of 100)	

CAREER BESTS SET AT HARRY F. ANDERSON MEET

While most of the Bulls' squad was competing in Virginia, several other runners raced at the Harry F. Anderson Invitational at Roberts Wesleyan. A good course provided for career-best performances by the Bulls, who did not field enough individuals to form a team for scoring purposes. **John Flor (Albion, NY/Albion)** was the top finisher for the men in a career-best 26:38 for the 8K course. **Joe Fischetti (Honeoye Falls, NY/Honeoye Falls-Lima)** was the only other Bull in the men's race. He also set a personal best mark with his 27:31 clocking for 27th place in the 103-runner field. For the women, **Susanna Cronmiller (Rochester, NY/West Irondequoit)** set a career best in 19:53 to take 17th among 100 racers. **Maureen Martel (Honeoye Falls, NY/Honeoye Falls-Lima)** finished 28th in 20:33 and **Jennifer Redino (Williamsville, NY/Williamsville North)** was 39th in 21:03. Both finishes were also season bests.

BULLS NOW PREPARE FOR MAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Bulls are off this coming weekend in preparations for the Mid-American Conference Championships on November 1. The meet will be hosted by the University of Akron. UB's squads will look to improve on last season's finishes at the meet when the men's squad finished sixth and the women were 12th overall. Racing is scheduled to start at 11:00 am.