



## LEAFS WIN A-W TITAN XC INVITE

Pictured are most of the guys after the awards ceremony

## LEAFS REWRITE TITAN INVITATIONAL TOP 25's

On Monday, August 29, the Leaf traveled to Kewanee's Midland Golf Club (aka...Kewanee Dunes) to participate in the annual Annawan-Wethersfield Titan Cross County Invitational. The meet is primarily a Class 1A meet. We are lucky that they have included both the Galesburg Silver Streaks and the Geneseo Maple Leafs who are both Class 2A in Cross Country (based on school enrollments). The field included teams from: Aledo (Mercer County), Annawan-Wethersfield, Galesburg, Geneseo, Princeville, Orion, Sherrard, Stark County, ROWVA (Galva), Ridgewood, Rock Island (Alleman). The teams were treated to race on a great golf course that offered perfect footing. The course was mostly flat with a few rolling hills. The weatherman provided a typical late August day in "The Land of Lincoln". The daytime high of 86° was topped by a high dew point and a "Feels Like Temperature of 96°". The Lady Leafs was scheduled got 4:00 pm with the boys following at 4:40 pm. There was only one race for each gender. On the line were plaques to the Top 3 finishing teams and individual finisher medals to the Top 20 in each race.

Mercer County has two strong runners (Seniors Derek Coulter and Lucas Arnold) who charged into the lead as soon as the Starter's pistol "cracked". They took the lead early and ended up running away from the rest of the field to finish first and second. incidentally, Mercer County is coached by former Maple Leaf Standout Runner Pete Nelson. His girls team qualified for the state meet for the first time in school history last fall. They will be strong again. This year the boys team is hoping to accomplish the same feat. All the best, "Nellie".

Back to the race. The Leafs were led by the "Dynamic Duo" of Sophomore Dylan Gehl (4<sup>th</sup> Place in 17:32) and his Senior brother Tyler Gehl (5<sup>th</sup> Place in 17:38). Dylan's time was the 4<sup>th</sup> fastest for a

Geneseo Maple Leaf EVER on the course. It was also a New Sophomore School Record (He also owns the Freshmen Record). Tyler's time was the 5<sup>th</sup> fastest EVER for a G.H.S. athlete and was the 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest for a Senior. Not far behind them was Junior Sam Mosbarger (7<sup>th</sup> Place in 18:00). Sam's time now ranks 7<sup>th</sup> for a GHS Athlete and was the 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest time for a GHS Junior in School History. Rounding out our team's Top 5 were: Junior Cooper Schaad (9<sup>th</sup> Place in 18:20....good for 9<sup>th</sup> All-Time & 4<sup>th</sup> for a GHS Junior) and Sophomore Max Johnson (10<sup>th</sup> Place in 18:29....good for 10<sup>th</sup> All-Time & 4<sup>th</sup> for a GHS Sophomore). By the way, in case you've lost count, that was FIVE Maple Leafs finishing in the Top 10. What a great start to the meet.

Not far behind was Freshman Kaden Elmer (12<sup>th</sup> Place in 18:36.....good for 11<sup>th</sup> All-Time & 2<sup>nd</sup> for a GHS Freshman). Up next was Freshman Aidan Bries (16<sup>th</sup> Place in 19:06....good for 14<sup>th</sup> All-Time and 3<sup>rd</sup> for a GHS Freshman). Freshman Jaxson Sottos sprinted home next (17<sup>th</sup> Place in 19:27....good for 15 All-Time & 4<sup>th</sup> for a GHS Freshman). Senior Josiah King was up next (18<sup>th</sup> Place in 19:36....good for 18<sup>th</sup> All-Time & 9<sup>th</sup> for a GHS Senior). Individual medals were awarded to the Top 20 Finishers. Thus, the Leafs had NINE Men earn one of those "Highly Prized" Awards. That ties the GHS School Record for the most medals ever won in this meet. That feat was also accomplished by the 2018 squad (course shortened to 2 miles that year due to extreme heat) and last year's team. GREAT JOB, MEN!

Up next was Freshman Grady Hull who ran the race of his life to barely miss an individual award (21<sup>st</sup> Place in 20:09...good for 19<sup>th</sup> All-Time and 5<sup>th</sup> for a GHS Freshman). Junior Austin Hull (35<sup>th</sup> Place in 21:13...good for 23<sup>rd</sup> All-Time & 8<sup>th</sup> for a GHS Junior), Senior Nathan Venneberg (42<sup>nd</sup> Place in 22:25...good for the 11<sup>th</sup> for GHS Senior), Sophomore Mason Anderson (43<sup>rd</sup> Place in 22:34...good for 12<sup>th</sup> on the GHS Sophomore List), Senior Caleb Durian (53<sup>rd</sup> Place in 23:40...good for 14<sup>th</sup> on the GHS Senior List), Sophomore Zach Meier (54<sup>th</sup> Place in 23:49...good for 13<sup>th</sup> on the GHS Sophomore List), Senior Connor Knowles (63<sup>rd</sup> Place in 26:14...good for 16<sup>th</sup> on the GHS Senior List), Senior Will DeJohn (69<sup>th</sup> Place in 28:36...good for 17<sup>th</sup> on the GHS Senior List), Sophomore Camden Bamugardner (70<sup>th</sup> Place in 28:40...good for 15<sup>th</sup> on the GHS Sophomore List), and Junior Ryley Rowald (72<sup>nd</sup> Place in 30:02...good for 14<sup>th</sup> on the GHS Junior List.) Senior Sam McCleary started the race and was forced to drop out due to severe abdominal discomfort. There are certainly a few "Bugs" working their way through the school.

When the team scores were counted, the Leafs found themselves on top. Their winning team total was a mere 35 points. Mercer County placed second with 56 points while Rock Island Alleman placed 3<sup>rd</sup> with 63 points. The top 3 teams won team plaques. Seven teams fielded at least 5 runners to record an official team score. The Leafs will next be in action on Saturday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> when they compete in the Galesburg Silver Streak XC Invitational. The meet will be held at Galesburg's Lake Storey Park. Keep up the good work, Men. This team has a plethora of potential. The way to make dreams come true is to provide a healthy dose of both "Passion & Purpose" on a daily basis. Keep "DREAMING BIG".

<b>Date:</b> 08/29/2022							
<b>Meet:</b> Annawan Wethersfield Titan Inv.							
<b>Site:</b> Kewanee Midlands Golf Course							
<b>Conditions:</b> Daytime high of 86° (Heat Index 94°) 11 mph ssw							
<b>Racing Distance:</b> 3.00 miles							
<b>Team Finish: Varsity Boys: 1ST PLACE</b>							
	<b>TIME</b>	<b>ATHLETE</b>	<b>PL</b>	<b>1-M</b>	<b>2-M</b>	<b>3-M</b>	<b>AVE.</b>
1	17:32	Dylan Gehl-10	4	5:35	6:02	5:55	5:50
2	17:38	Tyler Gehl-12	5	5:23	6:13	6:02	5:52
3	18:00	Sam Mosbarger-11	7	5:40	6:12	6:08	6:00
4	18:20	Cooper Schaad-11	9	5:50	6:14	6:16	6:06
5	18:29	Max Johnson-10	10	5:50	6:17	6:22	6:09
6	18:36	Kaden Elmer-09	12	5:50	6:17	6:29	6:12
7	19:06	Aidan Bries-09	16	5:50	6:50	6:26	6:22
8	19:27	Jaxson Sotos-09	17	5:50	6:30	7:07	6:29
9	19:36	Josiah King-12	18	5:50	6:40	7:06	6:32
10	20:09	Grady Hull-09	21	6:29	6:51	6:49	6:43
11	21:13	Austin Hull-11	35	5:50	8:00	7:23	7:04
12	22:25	Nathan Venneberg-12	42	6:58	7:57	7:30	7:28
13	22:34	Mason Anderson-10	43	7:28	7:42	7:24	7:31
14	23:40	Caleb Durian-12	53	7:26	8:00	8:14	7:53
15	23:49	Zach Meier-10	54	7:26	8:00	8:23	7:56
16	26:14	Connor Knowles-12	63	7:26	9:26	9:22	9:08
17	28:36	Will DeJohn-12	69	8:46	10:09	9:41	9:32
18	28:40	Cam Baumgardner-10	70	8:23	10:12	10:05	9:33
19	30:02	Ryley Rowold-11	72	8:36	10:49	10:37	10:00
	NT	Sam McCleary-12	DNF	5:50			
	DNC	Gavin Allison-12	Injury				
		Calvin Bell-09	Medical				
		Connor Douglas-10	Injury				
		Tyson Duda-10	New				
		Christian Haney-10	Medical				
		Rylan Lambert-10	Illness				
		Taber Swanson-10	Illness				
		Jacob Taylor	Illness				
	16:47	Race Leader	1	5:15	5:48	5:44	5:36
		Geneseo Split					
		1-5	0:57				
		1-7	1:34				
		1-10	2:37				

Mon, Aug 29, 2022 Kewanee Dunes

### Team Scores

1. Geneseo 35
2. Aledo (Mercer County) 56
3. Rock Island (Alleman) 63
4. Galesburg (H.S.) 99
5. Princeville 124
6. Monmouth (M.-Roseville) 190
7. ROWVA/Williamsfield 193

1. 12 Derek Coulter 16:47.3 Aledo (Mercer County)
2. 12 Lucas Arnold 16:59.8 Aledo (Mercer County)
3. 11 Dominic Cantarini 17:24.1 Galesburg (H.S.)
4. 10 Dylan Gehl 17:32.0 Geneseo
5. 12 Tyler Gehl 17:38.0 Geneseo
6. 11 Danny Darrow 17:40.9 Rock Island (Alleman)
7. 11 Sam Mosbarger 18:00.2 Geneseo
8. 11 Joey Bosch 18:01.4 Princeville
9. 11 Cooper Schaad 18:20.0 Geneseo
10. 10 Max Johnson 18:29.7 Geneseo
11. 11 Ben Milner 18:35.9 Rock Island (Alleman)
12. 9 Kaden Elmer 18:36.1 Geneseo
13. 10 Karson Schrum 18:49.4 Kewanee (Wethersfield)
13. 10 Karson Schrum 18:49.4 Annawan
14. 9 Noah Verscha 18:54.6 Rock Island (Alleman)
15. 11 Corbin Sturgill 19:01.5 Aledo (Mercer County)
16. 9 Aidan Bries 19:06.5 Geneseo
17. 9 Jaxson Sottos 19:27.3 Geneseo
18. 12 Josiah King 19:36.0 Geneseo
19. 9 Michael Noack 19:41.0 Rock Island (Alleman)
20. 11 Nate Hein 19:50.2 Rock Island (Alleman)
21. 9 Grady Hull 20:09.4 Geneseo
22. 10 Braden Rees 20:11.0 Galesburg (H.S.)
23. 12 Riley Woodworth 20:11.9 Sherrard
24. 10 Mason Coulter 20:13.0 Aledo (Mercer County)
25. 12 Parker Hann 20:13.5 Sherrard
26. 10 Jack McKnight 20:20.2 Aledo (Mercer County)
27. 12 Blair Wilkerson 20:20.7 Aledo (Mercer County)
28. 12 Aiden Earley 20:25.8 Kewanee (Wethersfield)
29. 9 Ian Pacheco 20:33.1 Galva
30. 10 Romeo Rosas 20:33.7 Rock Island (Alleman)
31. 11 Parker Melick 20:43.7 Princeville
32. 9 David Browning 20:51.5 Sherrard
33. 12 Max Martinez 21:05.1 Galesburg (H.S.)
34. 12 Brendan Pasmore 21:10.7 Rock Island (Alleman)

35. 11 Austin Hull 21:13.8 Geneseo
36. 11 Luke Thomas 21:15.1 Galesburg (H.S.)
37. 12 Alex Delwiche 21:33.4 Princeville
38. 12 Michael Patrick 21:48.3 Galesburg (H.S.)
39. 10 Aaron Clark 21:50.4 Galesburg (H.S.)
40. 9 Wyatt Hall 21:56.7 ROWVA/Williamsfield
41. 12 Jared Hernandez 22:24.0 Rock Island (Alleman)
42. 12 Nathan Venneberg 22:25.6 Geneseo
43. 10 Mason Anderson 22:34.7 Geneseo
44. 9 Drew Carlson 22:34.9 Monmouth (M.-Roseville)
45. 10 Luke Graham 22:38.9 Princeville
46. 10 Logan Davis 22:49.5 Kewanee (Wethersfield)
47. 9 Jalen Abbott 22:58.8 Galesburg (H.S.)
48. 12 Samuel McCleary 23:03.2 Geneseo
49. 12 Eric Thorndyke 23:05.6 Orion
50. 10 Austin Carruthers 23:09.3 Princeville
51. 10 Finnegan Martin 23:12.3 Galesburg (H.S.)
52. 10 Jake Conrad 23:35.8 Galva
53. 12 Caleb Durian 23:40.0 Geneseo
54. 10 Zach Meier 23:49.4 Geneseo
55. 10 Bennet Smith 24:36.4 Galesburg (H.S.)
56. 9 Jack Milner 24:46.8 Rock Island (Alleman)
57. 12 Liam Baldwin 24:49.5 Monmouth (M.-Roseville)
58. 9 Silas Descalzo 24:55.0 Galesburg (H.S.)
59. 10 Elijah Menold 25:01.1 Princeville
60. 11 Carlos Pollock 25:06.1 Aledo (Mercer County)
61. 9 Ethan Grinnell 25:18.0 Toulon (Stark County)
62. 9 Cooper Smith 25:59.4 ROWVA/Williamsfield
63. 12 Connor Knowles 26:14.8 Geneseo
64. 12 Charlie Pullen 26:25.2 Monmouth (M.-Roseville)
65. 11 Dylan Moore 26:31.2 ROWVA/Williamsfield
66. 11 Caleb Miller 26:42.2 Monmouth (M.-Roseville)
67. 9 Evan Akers 26:47.5 Cambridge
68. 9 Luke Anderson 28:28.2 Sherrard
69. 12 Will Dejohn 28:36.1 Geneseo
70. 10 Camden Baumgardner 28:40.0 Geneseo
71. 9 Carson Moore 29:53.2 ROWVA/Williamsfield
72. 11 Ryley Rowold 30:02.2 Geneseo
73. 10 Kylon Borseth 30:45.6 Kewanee (Wethersfield)
74. 11 Jaxson Pemberton 32:23.2 ROWVA/Williamsfield
75. - Xander Bergren 33:10.3 Monmouth (M.-Roseville)