



RECORD ASSAULTS

Pictured are Dylan Gehl, Tyler Gehl, Max Johnson, Sam Mosbarger,
Kaden Elmer, and Jaxson Sottos
Each man "Cracked the Top 5 List (at least) for their grade level

2022 "RUST BUSTER"

On Tuesday, August 16th, the Leafs hosted their 37th annual season opener. The meet has gone by a couple of names. It was called the "Alumni-Open" for most of its duration. During that time period, the race utilized a handicap system that allowed for the high school teams and middle school teams to race against each other. Community members along with family members of teammates were also allowed to compete in the race. In the fall of 2018 when Coach Ehlert took over the boys program, the meet's name was changed to the "Rust Buster" and due to IHSA rules, the high school teams could only race each other. The middle school teams had to do the same. Community and Family Members were no longer allowed to compete. Under the new rules, if they were allowed to compete, the high school teams risked being declared ineligible for Post Season Competition. That was a risk that was simply too great to take.

Both head coaches of the High School Teams (Coach Todd Ehlert: Geneseo Boys) and (Kelley Timmerman: Geneseo Girls) decided this year to not use any handicap at all and just race head-to-head. Thus, at 6:00 p.m. all competing team members took off from the starting line for the 3000 meter race over the challenging Richmond Hill Course. The athletes raced under near perfect weather conditions. The race-time temperature of 80° and there was virtually zero wind. The course was also dry and hard which equals FAST. The "New Course" has been run since the fall of 2018. Thus, this is the 5th year that we have raced over it.

A large number of the boys team have put in solid summers of training. That hard work was on display when the starter's pistol "cracked" (actually, we forgot the gun so athletes took off when on Coach Ehlert's Whistle) The boys team grabbed the first 15 places in the race. Leading the way was Sophomore Dylan Gehl who barely missed the course record of 14:45 held by Maple Leaf Senior Gavin Allison who was unable to race due to a toe injury. Dylan missed the course record by a mere one second. His time of 14:46 was a Geneseo High School Sophomore School Record. A lot of great performances were turned in by the team. Rounding out the Top Six Finishers were: 2.) Senior Tyler Gehl (11:00 and good for 5th All-Time Individual & 3rd Fastest Senior in School History); 3.) Junior Sam Mosbarger (11:07 and good for 6th All-Time Individual & 4th Fastest Junior in School History); 4.) Sophomore Max Johnson (11:22 and good for 9th All-Time Individual & 5th Fastest Sophomore in School History); 5.) Freshman Jaxson Sottos (11:26 and good for 10th All-Time & a NEW FRESHMAN SCHOOL RECORD; 6.) Freshman Kaden Elmer (11:27 good for 11th All-Time & the 2nd Fastest Freshman in School History). All Six of these men broke into Top Five Divisions in the History of the Meet. GREAT JOB, MEN.

Not far behind were: 7.) Junior Cooper Schaad (11:47...just missed his P.R. of 11:35 which sits 13 All-Time....and 8th Fastest Junior in School History; 8.) Freshman Aidan Bries (12:10 good for 21st All-Time & the 7th Fastest Freshman in School History; 9.) Senior Josiah King (12:34 good for 23rd All-Time & 10th Fastest Senior in School History); 10.) Senior Sam McCleary (12:38 good for 24th All-time & the 11th Fastest Senior in School History; 11.) Sophomore Rylan Lambert (12:49 good for the 13th Fastest Sophomore in School History; 14.) Sophomore Jacob Taylor (12:50 good for the 14th Fastest Sophomore in School History; 13.) Junior Austin Hull (13:05 good for the 16th Fastest Junior in School History); 14.) Freshman Grady Hull (13:09 good for the 10th Fastest Freshman in School History); 15.) Mason Anderson (13:48 good for the 19th Fastest Freshman in School History).

Also running great and rounding out the team were: 19.) Senior Caleb Durian (14:11 good for the 20th Fastest Senior in School History); 26.) Nathan Venneberg (15:14 good for the 25th Fastest Senior in School History); 28.) Ryley Rowold (15:21); 30.) Camden Baumgardner (16:11 good for the 25th Fastest Sophomore in School History); 35.) Connor Douglas (17:16); and 38.) Calvin Bell (17:43).

Team members who were unable to participate were Gavin Allison (injury), Alex Davis (Just Joined), Will DeJohn (Illness), and Taber Swason (Conflict.) Hopefully, most of these men will be back in action soon.

There was an "Award Ceremony" after the race. Each athlete won a "T-Shirt" (all athletes brought one do donate to the race for prizes.) In addition, an informational parent meeting was

held after the race. Each athlete was asked to bring three canned good that will donated to the Geneseo Food Pantry. Congratulations to everyone who participated in the meet. We wish each athlete and team a successful cross-country season.

The Leafs will next be in action on Monday, August 22nd when the team travels to Hampton's Empire Park to participate in Moline's Western Big Six Season Opener. Alleman, Galesburg, Geneseo, Moline, Quincy, Rock Island, Sterling, UTHS, will be joined by 1A State Powerhouse Riverdale. We hope to see you there.

2022 Rust Buster Time Trial

Tuesday, August 16th

Race Time Temperature: 80° NICE

Wind: 5 mph from the southwest

Course Conditions: Hard and Fast

Race Distance: 3,000 Meters

OVERALL RACE RESULTS

	<u>NAME</u>			<u>RACE TIME</u>
1.)	Dylan Gehl	10	M	10:46
2.)	Tyler Gehl	12	M	11:00
3.)	Sam Mosbarger	11	M	11:07
4.)	Max Johnson	10	M	11:22
5.)	Jaxson Sottos	09	M	11:26
6.)	Kaden Elmer	09	M	11:27
7.)	Cooper Schaad	11	M	11:47
8.)	Aidan Bries	09	M	12:10
9.)	Josiah King	12	M	12:34
10.)	Sam McCleary	12	M	12:38
11.)	Ryan Lambert	10	M	12:49
12.)	Jacob Taylor	10	M	12:50
13.)	Austin Hull	11	M	13:05
14.)	Grady Hull	09	M	13:09
15.)	Mason Anderson	10	M	13:48
16.)	Jaide Flowers	12	F	13:53
17.)	Joselyn Reisner	12	F	13:58
18.)	Katlyn Seaman	11	F	14:02
19.)	Caleb Durian	12	M	14:11
20.)	Kjerstin Wildermuth	09	F	14:20
21.)	Ella Toom	11	F	14:25
22.)	Liberty Brumbaugh	09	F	14:28
23.)	Zach Meier	10	M	14:42
24.)	Emma DeBaene	11	F	14:44
25.)	Jessalyn Belvel	12	F	14:52
26.)	Nathan Venneberg	12	M	15:14
27.)	Elanor DeBlieck	10	F	15:16
28.)	Ryley Rowold	11	M	15:21
29.)	Jeslen Rink	10	F	15:33
30.)	Camden Baumgardner	10	M	16:11
31.)	Jessa Gramling	09	F	16:41
32.)	Taylor Peterson	09	F	16:49
33.)	Madison Simms	11	F	16:49
34.)	Hannah Stone	09	F	16:50

35.)	Connor Douglas	10	M	17:16
36.)	Greta Bolme	09	F	17:31
37.)	Sedonie Scheider	09	F	17:36
38.)	Calvin Bell	09	M	17:43
39.)	Bella Cucuru	10	F	19:04
40.)	Giavanna Ritter	11	F	19:12
41.)	Megan McClanahan	11	F	19:21
42.)	Emma Veloz	11	F	21:18
43.)	Kelsey Dillie	11	F	21:58

GENESEO BOYS RANKING

	<u>NAME</u>			<u>RACE TIME</u>
1.)	Dylan Gehl	10	M	10:46
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19.)	Ryley Rowold	11	M	15:21
20.)	Camden Baumgardner	10	M	16:11
21.)	Connor Douglas	10	M	17:16
22.)	Calvin Bell	09	M	17:43
	Christian Haney	10	M	DNF

Did not compete

Gavin Allison	12	M	Injured
Alex Davis	11	M	Just Joined
Will DeJohn	12	M	Illness
Connor Knowles	12	M	Conflict
Taber Swason	10	M	Conflict

Team Spread

1 - 5: 0:40
1 - 7: 0:51
1 - 10: 1:52