

Texan Cross Country Dominates Western Texas Invitational

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SNYDER – The South Plains College Texan cross country team put four runners into the top 5 at the Western Texas College Invitational Saturday and went on to dominate the field scoring only 19-points, easily outdistancing Odessa College, who finished second with 93 points.

Tallam Kipruto, who finished ninth at the NJCAA cross country championships last year, won the individual title completing the 10,000 meter course in a time of 30:32.60. Mitchell Driver (31:39.5) and Anthony Pequeno (32:14.1), both All-Americans at the 2008 NJCAA cross country championships, took the second and third spots, while Robert Castanon (32:51.2) finished fifth. Newcomer Tomilee Loyd (33:43.9) rounded out the scoring for the Texans with an eighth place finish. Marcelis Lynch (37:49.4) also completed the race, finishing in 17th position.

The Lady Texans finished second overall and were led by Lisa Forsberg. Forsberg completed the 5,000-meter course in 20:39.00, finishing second overall. Crystal Dickinson (21:27.0) crossed the line in fifth place, Kadian Dunkley (22:07.20) in eighth, followed by Shayla Contreras (22:58.00) in 11th, Paulina Wilson (23:02.90) completed the scoring with her 12th place finish. Lorianne Pattee (23:13.20) also competed for SPC, finishing in 13th position.

SPC Texan and Lady Texan cross country will continue their season when they travel to Hobbs, N.M. on Saturday, September 12th.