WHEN THE ROAD GOT TOUGH, THE GENERALS GOT TOUGHER

Jackson County Cross Country Sends Both Teams to State in a Display of Heart, Grit, and Determination

There are days in sports when the final standings tell you who won. And then there are days when the standings tell only a fraction of the story.

Saturday was one of those days. Under an unseasonably warm October sun, with temperatures reaching 75 degrees, the Jackson County Generals cross country teams arrived at Lynn Camp for the KHSAA Regional Championships for a race that would prove to be even hotter.

When the dust settled, both teams had punched their tickets to the Kentucky State Cross Country Championships.

The girls completed a remarkable journey from uncertainty to qualification.

The boys captured a regional runner-up finish despite losing one of their most important runners during the race.

Two teams. Two different stories. One message: The Cross Country Generals do not quit.

The Girls: From Uncertainty to State Bound

At the beginning of summer, the Lady Generals didn't even have enough runners to field a complete team.

What followed was a season filled with injuries, setbacks, and challenges that tested one of the youngest squads in the region.

But they kept showing up. They kept working. And they kept believing.

Saturday, that determination paid off.

Led by Brooklyn Hammonds, who finished 18th overall, the Lady Generals secured their place at the state championships. Heidi Brumback added a personal-best performance, delivering her fastest race when it mattered most.

The regional squad consisted of Hammonds, Alyssa Welch, Aleigha Ison, Olivia Moore, Amaya Petty, Mackenzie Jackson, and Brumback.

For a team that began the summer wondering whether it would even have enough runners to compete, reaching the state championship is nothing short of remarkable.

The Boys: When Adversity Struck, the Generals Answered

The boys entered Saturday with hopes of another regional championship. Then, in the middle of the race, everything changed. Brody Isaacs, the team's No. 3 runner and a critical piece of its scoring lineup, suffered an injury that forced him out of the race. Isaacs was eventually transported from the course by cart.

In cross country, losing a top-three runner can devastate a team's chances. There are no timeouts, no substitutions, and no opportunity to regroup. The race simply goes on. And so did the Generals.

Senior Malachi Shannon delivered a third-place finish, while junior Jadyn Agee followed in fourth, putting both runners on the regional podium. Sophomore Noah Saylor answered with one of the biggest performances of his young career, running a personal record and finishing 13th overall. Hunter Peters, Avery Stewart, and Jaxon Turner continued the fight, helping the Generals overcome a loss that could have ended their championship hopes.

When the final scores were tallied, Jackson County had accomplished something extraordinary. Despite losing their No. 3 runner, the Generals were regional runners-up.

More Than Medals and Trophies

For Jackson County head coach Dean Rader, Saturday's performances revealed something far more important than finishing positions.

"I couldn't be prouder of both teams," Rader said. "Our girls didn't even have a complete team when we started. They've battled injuries all season, and they're an extremely young group. But they never stopped working or believing. Now they're going to State."

The boys' performance was equally meaningful.

"Losing Brody was a devastating blow. He's our No. 3 runner, and losing someone that important during a championship race can change everything. But our guys refused to fold. They fought for every position and still brought home a regional runner-up finish? Wow!"

Rader believes the greatest lesson came from how his athletes responded when things became difficult.

"Anybody can compete when everything is going their way. But when you're hurting, when you're exhausted, when things aren't going according to plan—that's when you find out what kind of competitor you really are. These kids showed tremendous heart."

With Isaacs sidelined, seventh grader Jace Isaacs, the team's regional alternate, is expected to step into the varsity lineup at State. "I have all the confidence in the world in Jace; he's proven himself all season. He can handle it."

The Road to State

Cross country is an unforgiving sport. There are no benches, no halftimes, no timeouts to catch your breath, and nowhere to hide. Eventually, every runner faces the same decision. Keep pushing, or give in.

Saturday, on a warm October afternoon at Lynn Camp, the Jackson County Generals made their choice. The girls refused to let setbacks and inexperience define their season. The boys refused to let adversity determine their fate. And both teams earned the opportunity to compete among Kentucky's best at the Kentucky Horse Park. Not because the road was easy. Not because everything went according to plan. But because when the road got tough, the Generals proved they were tougher.

Two teams. One destination. One spirit.

GENERALS CROSS COUNTRY — STATE BOUND
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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
41st JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
JACKSON CIRCUIT COURT
CASE NO. 24-CI-00145

COMMERCIAL BANK PLAINTIFF,
VS.
MATTHEW INGRAM
DEBRA NICOLE INGRAM
DISCOVER BANK
JACKSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY
CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A DEFENDANTS

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of the Judgment and Order of Sale of the Jackson Circuit Court entered on
September 2, 2026 in the above styled matter, for the sum of what it will bring to raise the amount of $ 150,317.28 plus interest, costs and attorneys fees as described in the Judgment and Order of Sale, I shall proceed to offer for sale as a whole at the front door of the Jackson County Judicial Center in the City of McKee, Jackson County, Kentucky to the highest bidder at public auction on FRIDAY NOVEMBER 13, 2026 at 9:00 a.m., or thereabouts, the following described property, to- wit:
CARTWRIGHT RD,. OFF KY HWY 30, TYNER, KY 40486
PVA MAP # 96-36A
ALSO INCLUDING A 2019 CLAYTON RANGER 68 MOBILE HOME, VIN CLR032686TNAB

This property will be sold for cash or 10% down with 30 days to pay balance at the option of the purchaser. Unless the purchaser so elects to pay cash, the purchaser of the property so sold shall give bond for the purchase price with good surety approved by the Master Commissioner in making the sale, which bond shall be payable to the Master Commissioner and shall bear interest
at the rate the judgment bears from the date thereof until paid. The bond shall have the full force and effect of the judgment, and should execution be issued thereon, no replevy shall be allowed.
A lien shall exist and be retained by the Master Commissioner of the property sold under this judgment as security for the purchase money.

Dated this the 9th day of September, 2026.

/s/ Sharon K. Allen
SHARON K. ALLEN
MASTER COMMISSIONER

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
41st JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
JACKSON CIRCUIT COURT
CASE NO. 25-CI-00187

JACKSON COUNTY BANK PLAINTIFF,
VS.
ESTATE OF MARGARET ELIZABETH MONTGOMERY
ADAM COURTNEY EWELL
TASHEENA MILLER
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ADAM COURTNEY EWELL
LIEN SOLUTIONS
ILLINOIS CORPORATION SERVICE CO.
JACKSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of the Judgment and Order of Sale of the Jackson Circuit Court entered on
September 15, 2026 in the above styled matter, for the sum of what it will bring to raise the amount of $ 33,220.02 plus interest, costs and attorneys fees as described in the Judgment and Order of Sale, I shall proceed to offer for sale as a whole at the front door of the Jackson County Judicial Center in the City of McKee, Jackson County, Kentucky to the highest bidder at public auction on FRIDAY NOVEMBER 13, 2026 at 9:00 a.m., or thereabouts, the following described property, to- wit:
BEING LOT # 21 IN THE WELCHBURG ESTATES SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN ON PLAT CABINET A,SLIDE 50, AND OF RECORD IN DEED BOOK 160, PAGE 483, TO WHICH REFERENCE IS MADE FOR A MORE COMPLETE DESCRIPTION, LOT CONSISTING OF 0.50 ACRE (21,780.0 SQ. FT.) MORE OR
LESS.

This property will be sold for cash or 10% down with 30 days to pay balance at the option of the purchaser. Unless the purchaser so elects to pay cash, the purchaser of the property so sold shall give bond for the purchase price with good surety approved by the Master Commissioner in making the sale, which bond shall be payable to the Master Commissioner and shall bear interest
at the rate the judgment bears from the date thereof until paid. The bond shall have the full force and effect of the judgment, and should execution be issued thereon, no replevy shall be allowed.
A lien shall exist and be retained by the Master Commissioner of the property sold under this judgment as security for the purchase money.

Dated this the 29th day of September, 2026.

/s/ Sharon K. Allen
SHARON K. ALLEN
MASTER COMMISSIONER

**Jackson Valley Apartments is now accepting applications for 1 bdr, 2 bdr and 3 bdrm apartments. Rent is based on income. Garbage and water included. On Site laundry and playground area. Units available for immediate move in
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LEGAL

Notice is hereby given that Richard Webb, Executor for Dorothy Webb, deceased, has filed a final settlement with the Jackson County District Court. Any exceptions to same must be filed before the hearing date of 11/9/2026.
Case #: 25-P-00031

Notice is hereby given that Carl D. Sams has been appointed Executor of the estate of Bobby J. Sams by the Jackson County District Court. All persons having claims against the estate of Bobby J. Sams are requested to present same, verified according to law, to said Executor within 6 months from 10/12/2026. All persons indebted to said estate are notified to pay said indebtedness to the Executor.
Attorney: N/A
Case #: 26-P-00122

Notice is hereby given that Janet Jones has been appointed Executrix of the estate of Howard Jones by the Jackson County District Court. All persons having claims against the estate of Howard Jones are requested to present same, verified according to law, to said Executrix within 6 months from 10/26/2026. All persons indebted to said estate are notified to pay said indebtedness to the Executrix.
Attorney: Hon. Juliana Coffey
Case #: 26-P-00018

Notice is hereby given that Vince King has been appointed Administrator of the estate of Edna Jean Robinson by the Jackson County District Court. All persons having claims against the estate of Edna Jean Robinson are requested to present same, verified according to law, to said Administrator within 6 months from 10/26/2026. All persons indebted to said estate are notified to pay said indebtedness to the Administrator.
Attorney: N/A
Case #: 24-P-00018