

Cross-Country Team Fares Well

The Camden Military Academy Cross country Team got off to a bumpy start this year, but fared well in the end. The Spartans definitely deserve a big round of applause for this one, for they certainly beat the odds. Motivation and determination made up for their loss of practice over the summer when all the other teams were making daily 5-7 mile runs. Team Coach Maj. David Lepage says, "It's always hard when our guys come in on a hot, late August day after a busy summer with little practice and we have to start all over again. The other guys run all year and never back down."

The team runs on a 3.1 mile course and competes against such teams as Asheville School, Heathwood Hall, Hammond Academy, Christ School and many others. Steve Rogers, one of the team members, stated, "What really gets us are the away meets at Asheville and others in the mountains of North Carolina. With every day practice in Camden, we're just not used to all those rolling green hills."

Despite the drawbacks, the fighting Spartans took it all the way to the end, winning 3rd in the Conference. Team star Dan Rowe states, "I hated that this was my first and only year of Cross Country for CMA. However, I do plan to continue my efforts at University of North Carolina at Wilmington. I wish the best to future Spartan runners." The team hated to bring the season to a close, but were immensely pleased with the results.

The team this year consisted of 7 runners. They are: B.J. Lathan, Ian Osborne, Dan Rowe, David Scheffsky, Matt Stokes, Carlton Walker, Steve Rogers and Manager Allen Watford.



Dan Rowe and Carlton Walker on a practice run around the campus.



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