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# CCS boys cross country: Paly's **Slaney** sizzles in winning Division I title

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BELMONT -- Kent **Slaney** of Palo Alto didn't feel well down the stretch of the 2.95-mile Crystal Springs Course in Belmont. Not to worry. The junior **Slaney** cooked in Saturday's Central Coast Section Division I boys cross country championship race, running a 15:22 to win the title. **Slaney** finished 13 seconds faster than Meik Beaudoin of Bellarmine-San Jose, which won the team title with 29 points.

"I tried to go out fast and see if that held up," **Slaney** said. "My first two miles were great. Last mile, my stomach was thrown a bit and feeling badly. I'm looking forward to states."



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**Slaney** ran the first two miles in 10 minutes.

"**Slaney** winning was to be expected and it was fantastic," Paly coach Kelsey Feeley said. "He ran that race perfectly. He didn't get lured to go out too quickly. We worked that second mile like nobody's business and build himself a cushion."

Paly took second in the team race with 65 points. Naveen Pai of Paly was 13th

in 16:02.1 with teammate Henry Saul right behind in 16:06.5.

Ben Zaeske of Los Altos heads to the state in Fresno on Nov. 28 after finishing third in 15:40.1. Also going to state is Serra-San Mateo's Jonathan Garcia, who clocked 15:56.

The Padres finished fourth in the team race with 140 points. Gunn was seventh with 186 points.

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