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Gunn, Paly runners win individual titles in cross country

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Sarah Robinson of Gunn and Lucas Matison of Palo Alto ran away with individual honors at the Monterey Bay Invitational on Friday at Toro Park in Salinas.

Robinson toured the three-mile layout in 17:50 to win by 34 seconds and help the Titans win the team title with 39 points. Her time was the fastest overall girls' time clocked during the two-day event.

Gillian Meeks was third in 19:02 while Gunn teammate Claire Hu was fourth in 19:28. Illi Gardner was 13th (20:53) and Megan Kuhnle was 18th (21:28) to round out the scoring.



Palo Alto finished third in the team race with 92

points as Bryn Carlson ran home fifth in 19:52 to pace the Vikings. Katie Foug was ninth in 20:37, Emily Zhang finished 21st (21:52), Emma Raney took 23rd (22:03) and Kylie Wilson was 34th (22:54) to round out Paly's scoring on the first day of the two-day meet.

In the boys' varsity race, Paly scored 61 points to finish second as a team while Gunn was fifth with 104.

Matison clocked 16:16 for individual honors while freshman teammate Kent Slaney was third in 16:51. Paly's Aaron Chandler was 12th (17:51), Kai Oda was 24th (18:20) and Jake Gurle was 26th (18:25).