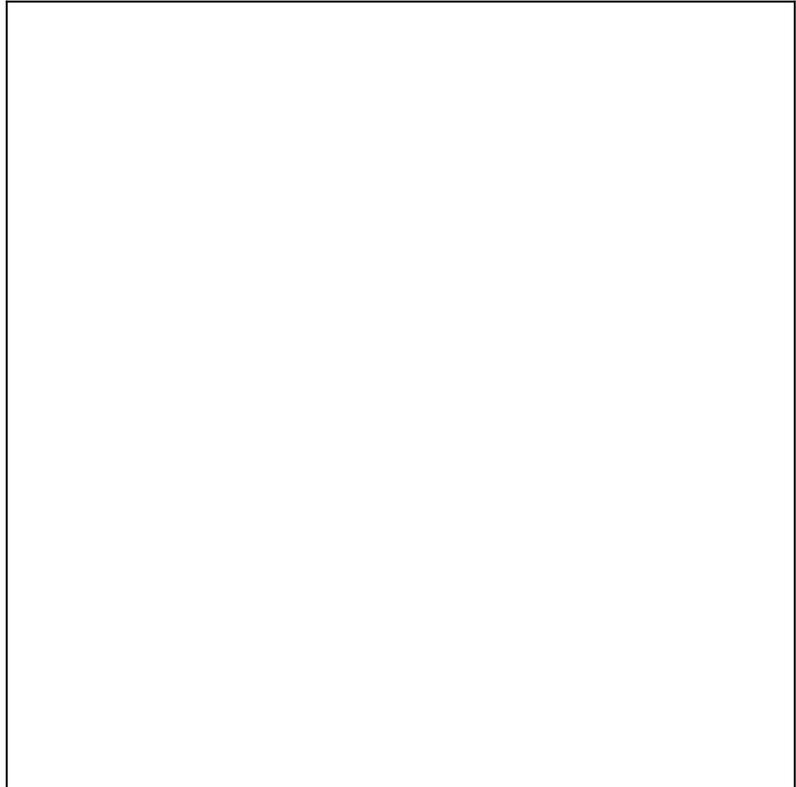


# Men's Cross-Country registers year's best finish

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Middle Tennessee's men's cross-country team overcame wet conditions in Clarksville at the Austin Peay Invitational to post their best finish of the year. The Blue Raiders placed second in the meet with strong performances from their first five finishers. Geoffrey Lagat continued to run well, placing second in the 8K meet with a time of 27:15.88. Levi Sybert posted his best finish of the season with a fourth place time of 28:07.25. Also running solid races for the Blue Raiders were Anthony McGary with a 13th place finish and a time of 28:47.58, Steve Safstrom finished 16th with a time of 28:58.49. Rounding out



the race for the Blue Raiders were Carlos Gonzales in 51st, Brian Picklesimer in 67th, Sean Rabe finished 73rd, Brent Greer placed 85th, Josh Carroll was 89th, and Chris Hanson placed 94th. "The guys did a good job today," said head coach Dean Hayes. Geoffrey ran a strong race even though we were running in water that was as deep as one-and-a-half feet in places. Levi Sybert ran a great race and beat some people that he's never beaten before. McGary and Safstrom both ran extremely well." The women's squad saw the reemergence of Regina Raccuglia, who was the Lady Raiders' top finisher for the second time this season with a 45th place time of 23:02.68 in the 5K race. Erin Russell finished 63rd, Kapreia Kirk ended the race in 69th place, and Tori Blander completed the event in 76th. Colleen Parker placed 89th, Jameka Collins was 105th, Sabrina Smith was 109th, and Heather Smith ended up in 117th place. Both teams are preparing for the Sun Belt Conference meet on Oct.27 in Bowling Green, KY.

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