

LMC Cycling To Compete At Collegiate Road Nationals

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The Lees-McRae cycling teams impressed at two separate events over the last two weeks in preparation for the Collegiate Road National Championship, which

will take place May 2-4 in Richmond, Va.

In Elizabethton, Tenn., Coach Tim Hall's squads participated at Milligan College while Christopher Meacham (Jamison, Pa.) claimed second in the Men A Criterium and in the Road Race. Teammate Cameron Mancuso (Greentown, Pa.) finished 10th in the Criterium and sixth in the Road Race.

Freshman Samuel Dobrozsi (Loveland, Ohio) earned a 15th place finish in the RR.

On the women's side, Page Bisenieks-Robertson (Oakland, Calif.) and Kaitlyn Lawrence (Emmaus, Pa.) finished third and fifth, respectively, in the Women A Criterium.

Fellow Bobcats Emily Shields (Salisbury, N.C.), Hailey Sarausky (Littleton, N.H.) and Erin Donohue (Norwich, Vt.) also earned top-20 finishes.

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Robertson impressed in the RR as well when she finished eighth, while Shields (13th) and Donohue (14th) finished in the top-15.

Hall's teams travelled to Orlando, Fla., to participate in the SECCC Championship hosted by the University of Central Florida last weekend.

“Performing our best at nationals in Richmond is our main goal, and each week we have continued to build upon our success. It has been a tough battle every weekend in the SECCC. The depth of competition is at an all-time high, and every top result is due to the sacrifice made by everyone,” said Hall “Our teamwork improvements are what excite me the most, and if we can continue that momentum we should expect good things in Richmond.”

In the Division I Team Omnium, LMC finished second overall while the Florida Gators claimed first and the Georgia Bulldogs swiped third.

LMC's Meacham continued his torrid run with a fifth-place finish in the Men A Criterium and

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Mancuso notched an eighth-place finish as both distanced itself from a pack sprint.

Bobcat sophomore Eli Wemyss (Cedar Hill, Tenn.) claimed second in the Men B Criterium while junior Christopher Esposito (Gorham, Maine) registered a fourth-place finish. Esposito also notched a fifth-place finish in the Men B RR.

In the Women A Criterium, Katherine Shields (Salisbury, N.C.) claimed third, besting teammate Robertson, who was sixth.

The Bobcat Men A TTT teams placed first (13:50.7) and second (14:19.7) before the women's team grabbed the title in the A category.

"This was a great weekend for us from a team perspective. Both men and women performed their best all year in the TTT to come away with victories, which indicates their teamwork and strength have improved greatly leading up to nationals in Richmond," praised Hall.

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“Both teams rode exceptionally well as a group in the criterium as well. Our leadouts for our key riders in the sprint wasn’t perfect, but it was much improved over the past few weekends. The key for us to be making progress, and I believe we have made significant strides in the past month.”

Men's Lacrosse Drops Season Finale

Lees-McRae senior Kyle Judgetallied a goal in his collegiate finale, but LMC was unable to overcome a 10-goal first-quarter outburst from Belmont Abbey in a 20-2 loss in a Conference Carolina tilt at Alumni Field Wednesday afternoon in Belmont, N.C.

The Crusaders (6-9, 1-3 CC) grabbed the final spot for the upcoming Conference Carolinas Men's Lacrosse Championship when Ryan Callahan and Will Chastain combined for 10 goals, including the first five of the game. The Bobcats (0-14, 0-4) held the face off advantage (3-1) in the fourth quarter while forcing 12 BAC turnovers on the afternoon.

Chastain and Callahan wasted no time while spotting the home squad to a 5-0 lead in the first 3:32 of the contest.

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Judge (Hampstead, Md.) got the Bobcats on the board in the high scoring first quarter with a goal with 2:58 remaining in period.

The Crusaders responded with a 10-0 run that spanned into the fourth quarter while Connor Sellars chipped in with two of his game-high five assists.

LMC sophomore Schuylor Dickerson(Crozet, Va.) notched his team-high 14th goal of the season with 6:16 remaining in the contest.

Judge and Dickerson notched eight of LMC's 14 shots on the afternoon while sophomore Alex Poole (Winston-Salem, N.C.) recorded a team-high four groundballs.

BAC had two players register 11 groundballs while nine different Crusaders tallied a goal.

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Judge averaged a goal a game in his senior season and had two assists.