

Salazar Dashes 4:09 Mile, Romps in AAU Cross County

RALEIGH, N.C., Nov. 24 (AP)—Alberto Salazar set a blazing pace of 4:09 in the first mile and then coasted the rest of the way to win the men's senior race today in the AAU National Cross Country Championships at North Carolina State University.

Salazar compiled a time of 30:27.8 for the 10,000 meters, 20 seconds faster than runner-up Herb Lindsay of the University of California Track Club.

Salazar, running for the Greater Boston Track Club, was joined by three teammates in the first five finishers. Bob Hodge was third at 30:52.6, followed by Dan Dillon and defending AAU champion Greg Meyer.

Greater Boston won the men's team competition with 25 points.

Virginia's Margaret Groos captured the women's senior race by defeating longtime rival Julie Shea of N.C. State. Groos, running for the Charlottesville Track Club, took the lead about halfway through the women's 5,000 meter championship and finished strong with a time of 16:53.9, beating Shea by more than eight seconds.

The premeet favorite in the women's

race, former AAU champion Jan Merrill, was a distant third.

Beth Hanlon of Olney, Md., won the girls 9-and-under 2.4-kilometer run in 8:51.6. Erik Vandendries of Washington won the boys 12-13 4-kilometer run in 13:20.7.

Woods Fairbank, Mark Atkeson, Bobby Marks, Greg Coan, Robby Reisbeck and Mike MacWelch teamed to lead Washington CYO to the boys 14-15 team championship in 16:44.8 for five kilometers.

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Women's five-kilometer championship—32nd, Aileen O'Connor, College Park, 18:25; 37th, Debra Pavik, U. of Maryland, 18:29.8.

Men's 10-kilometer championship—71st, Jim Buell, Washington Running Club, 32:52.3.

Boy's 16-17, 5-kilometers—4th, Steven Wright, Langley, 16:00.6; 16th, Charles Gavin, Annandale, 16:28.3.

Girls 14-15, 4 kilometers—Kim Kelly, Washington 14:59.3.

Girls 12-13, 3.2 kilometers—12th, Marisa Wisniewski, Washington, 11:47.9.

Boys 12-13, 4 kilometers—3rd, Joe Sheppard, Laurel, 13:30.2.

Girls 10-11, 2.4 kilometers—20th, Valerie Anderson, Washington, 9:02.7; 23rd, Kathy Raisbeck, Washington, 9:04.6 Washington finished 2nd in girls 10-11 team competition.

Boys 10-11, 3.2 kilometers—6th, Erik Williams, Washington, 11:10.4.

Boys 9-and-under, 3.2 kilometers—5th, Matt Pack, Washington, 12:01.2; 14th, Jeffrey Jackson, Washington, 12:22.8; 20th, Ethan Sierka, Olney, 12:31.2.