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Cross Country Off to Strong Start at Viterbo

The MLC cross country teams opened the season on Friday, August 29, with races at Viterbo. Both races were cut short due to rain, with the men working in pairs in a four-mile race, while the women saw their race cut to two miles.

The duo of **Grey Davis** (*Lakeside*) and **Justin Wilkens** (*Haymarket VA*) won the team race on the men's side, combining to finish the four mile tandem race in 21:05. The duo of **Darian Schnose** (*MLS*) and **Luke Rosenbaum** (*CLHS*) finished tenth.

The women took fourth place in the team competition, with **Emilee Koltz** (*LPS*) and **Amara Biebert** (*SCLHS*) taking fourth and eighth, respectively, in the individual competition. **Rachel Winter** (*Manitowoc LHS*), **Alanna Habben** (*LPS*), and **Sarah Hackbarth** (*Lakeside*) also ran for MLC.



Davis eyes the finish line

Volleyball Wins Twice at St. Olaf Tournament



Maasz goes for the block

The volleyball team opened its season with 3-1 wins over Waldorf and Macalester, and finished the two-day tournament at St. Olaf with a record of 2-2.

The Knights feature a number of new faces after last season's third-place finish in the UMAC, but veterans **Miranda Maasz** (*MVL*), **Sara Willems** (*Lakeside*), **Kayla Schoeneck** (*WISCO*), **MacCartney Mendolla** (*FVL*), and **Emily Neeb** (*ALA*) led the way early in the tournament with strong performances.

Newcomers **Kira Grev** (*SCLHS*) and **Rylee Weisensel** (*MVL*) also played well. Grev led the team with 42 kills, while Weisensel finished with a team-best 11 blocks.

Hansen Shoots 69, Named UMAC Player of the Week

First-year golfer **Erik Hansen** (*Luther*) started his collegiate career by shooting a 69 in a match against Bethany Lutheran on August 29.

Upcoming Events at MLC

9/5 VB @Bethel Tourn.

9/6 FB @Maranatha
XC @Crown
VB @Bethel Tourn.

9/7 WS v. Buena Vista

Hansen's 69 was the lowest score by any player at the tournament by nine strokes, and helped him earn UMAC Men's Golf Player of the Week honors.

The Knights lost by just one stroke in the team competition against BLC. **Alex Lindemann** (*LPS*), **Joel Sonntag** (*WISCO*), and **Craig Wilke** (*Lakeside*) also competed in the event for MLC.



Erik Hansen was named Player of the Week