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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, IL--The state of Illinois' finest collegiate cross country teams, including Eastern Illinois University's Panthers, will converge on DeKalb Saturday to run in the Illinois Intercollegiate.

The same five teams that finished at the top last year, Illinois State, Illinois, EIU, SIU-Carbondale, and North Central, along with host Northern Illinois University, are expected to again vie for the championship.

Eastern, rated No. 5 in NCAA II, is 3-0 in duals, has won two invitational tournaments and placed eighth at the Notre Dame Invitational. That meet also gave some insight into this weekend's match.

Finishing ahead of the Panthers at Notre Dame were Illinois, a strong third, and Illinois State, a sixth place finisher but not that far ahead of EIU.

"Based on what they did at Notre Dame, Illinois is the team to beat . . . they were within 10 points of winning that meet," said EIU Coach Tom Woodall.

If Illinois wins, as expected, that leaves a scramble for the next few positions. "ISU won the state meet last year and has virtually everyone back but they did not beat us as decisively as they would have liked," Woodall said. "Plus they and Southern tied in a dual meet recently."

Northern finished second in the Gold Division at Notre Dame which "surprised a lot of people. They recruited heavily and are starting to get some pride in their program . . . they're doing well in Mid-American competition, too," Woodall explained.

"And with North Central, which has won three of the last four Division III championships, I think you can see that Illinois really has some fine cross country teams."

The Panthers will run nine people. They are Larry Schuldt (Rock Falls), Mike Beresford (Danville), Terry Donahue (Downers Grove-Montini), Perry Edinger (Mattoon), Chuck Elliott (Palatine), Dave Houston (Granite City-South), Jase Travis (Bradley-Bourbonnais),

Tim Warneke (Park Forest-Crete/Monee) and either Nick Whiteside (Mt. Vernon) or Jim Scruton (Springfield-Lincoln Land CC).

Several of these sat out last weekend in preparation for the upcoming meet.

"So many of our meets are away . . . it's tough to sit in a car for 600 miles or so each weekend so we gave some of these guys a weekend off to just train and relax, and it worked out nice for us."

The Panthers dominated the Miner Invitational with Beresford, Houston and Donahue taking second, third and fourth, respectively.