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Lake Placid — Longwood's Kevin Krause was staring his second straight Class A state Cross Country Championship in the face yesterday. But he didn't recognize it.

Krause, who won the 1987 title at New York Tech, led the pack through the 5,000-meter former Olympic biathlon course from the halfway point until less than 500 meters remained. Then he allowed both Pittsford's John Horkheimer and Webster's Tom Smith to pass him before the finish line. Krause didn't run out of gas; he knew just what

he was doing, or so he thought.

"I was thinking there was another half-mile to go," Krause said. "I didn't think [Horkheimer] was making his final kick. I thought he was just making a move on me. I never kicked."

By the time Krause made the final turn and saw the finish line less than 300 yards away, it was much too late. Horkheimer won in 16:03.1, Smith finished second in 16:03.5 and Krause was third in 16:11.0.

The boys team from William Floyd finished second in the Class A team competition. Saratoga edged Floyd, 74-84. Paul Childs finished first for Floyd

and eighth overall in 16:41.6. Floyd's Keith Gorski finished 11th overall in 16:46. Farmingdale's Vin Markovina was 10th in 16:43.1.

East Islip sophomore Jen Norton, the two-time Suffolk County champion, made a successful return from shin splints and a sprained right ankle to finish seventh in 19:43.6.

In the boys Class B race, Lynbrook was ninth, Bayport 10th and Great Neck South 11th. Westhampton's Kevin Hogan finished second in 16:34.9. Shoreham-Wading River finished seventh and Manhasset 11th in the girls Class B race. Irene Ruopoli of Clarke

was third in 19:59.9.

Stony Brook was seventh and Wheatley 12th in the boys Class C race. Junior Mike Going of Wheatley finished second in 16:56.1.

Beaney Wins Second Straight

Kristin Beaney of Friends Academy won the girls individual race for the second straight year at the Empire State Cross Country Championships at Tibbetts Brook Park in Yonkers yesterday. Beaney covered the five-mile course in 18:50.2. In the boys race, Dave Garvey of Friends Academy finished fifth with a time of 17:20.

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