

1995 Regional meet...

## High School

### **Area runners head to regional meet Saturday**

**News-Messenger reports**

Five boys teams and six girls teams along with five individuals will participate in the Regional Cross Country meet at Hedges-Boyer Park in Tiffin Saturday.

Competing in the boys meet are Fremont Ross (Division I); Lakota and Clyde (Division II); Old Fort and Gibsonburg (Division III).

Aaron King from Margaretta, Phil Clapp from Bellevue and Jon Burroughs of Fremont St. Joseph Central Catholic will participate as individuals — King and Clapp in Division II and Burroughs in Division III.

In the girls meet, teams from Fremont Ross (Division I); Bellevue and Clyde (Division II); Lakota, Woodmore and St. Joe (Division III) will compete.

Brooke Bowe of Gibsonburg in Division III and Beth Bales of Margaretta in Division II will also run.

Youth finally took its toll on the Fremont Ross girls, who lost a tiebreaker and placed fifth in the Division I race.

Jami Toeppe was the Little Giants' lone state qualifier, finishing fourth.

"Last week's race was by far their best (team) race of the year," Ross coach Cathy Mallia said, referring to the Little Giants' runner-up finish at district. "but this kind of thing happens often to young teams at big meets. We have a bunch of sophomores and sometimes young teams are not always able to deal with the pressure. They will be juniors next year, and things will be different."

The Ross boys qualified Jeremiah Wagner and Jeremiah Smith for the state meet. They placed fourth and seventh, respectively, in the Division I meet.

"Team-wise it was disappointing," Ross coach John Elder said, "but it happens here (the Northwest Region). Our top two (Wagner and Smith) did what we wanted them to do, but we were hoping that our three, four, and five runners would have all been in the top 50.

"Those three, Kurt Snyder, Eli Semer and Jon Framstead ran what they have been run-

ning all year. We were hoping they would break out and run faster today."

In Division III, defending state champion Vincent Fries led Seneca East teammates to the regional title, winning the race in 16:14. Gibsonburg was seventh and Old Fort 12th in the team standings.

Old Fort's Brock Cleveland moved on to Columbus by placing 11th, and Gibsonburg's Steve Smith finished 12th to earn a trip to state.

In Division II, the Lakota boys Raiders finished 13th in the team standings and the Clyde Fliers were 16th.

Ben Ingersoll of Clyde qualified for state competition by placing 12th.

"At the beginning of the race I almost psyched myself out," Ingersoll said. "Last week at districts I ran really poorly and I was afraid to make the same mistake. I went out too fast and ran in second place early (last week) and then I started getting passed. I didn't want that to happen today, so I went out slowly and worked my way up.

"I try to learn from my mistakes."

# C. Country

TIFFIN — Results Saturday from the regional cross country meets at Hedges-Boyer Park Saturday:

## Division I Boys

(Top four qualify for state meet)

1, Cleveland St. Ignatius .....	59
2, Amherst Steele .....	97
3, Toledo St. Francis .....	122
4, Ashland .....	123
5, Sylvania Southview .....	150
6, Toledo St. John's .....	151
7, Fremont Ross .....	165
8, Tiffin Columbian .....	183
9, Mansfield Sr. .....	215
10, Findlay .....	243
11, Toledo Whitmer .....	265
12, Sylvania Northview .....	314
13, Strongsville .....	338
14, Westlake .....	388

### Individual champion

Patrick Kelly, St. Ignatius, 15:36

### Ross finishers

4, Jeremiah Wagner 16:08; 7, Jeremiah Smith 16:24; 58, Kurt Snyder 17:29; 62, Eli Semer 17:32; 73, Jon Franstead 17:40; 76, Jake Smith 17:43; 89, Clint Hill 17:58;

## Division I Girls

(Top three qualify for state meet)

1, Sylvania Southview .....	62
2, Toledo Central Catholic .....	106
3, Strongsville .....	128
4, Toledo Start .....	165
5, Fremont Ross .....	165
6, Amherst Steele .....	215
7, Sylvania Northview .....	216
8, Tiffin Columbian .....	221
9, Toledo Notre Dame .....	225
10, Berea .....	259
11, Toledo St. Ursula .....	282
12, Ashland .....	310
13, Westlake .....	311
14, Oregon Clay .....	314
15, Celina .....	324
16, Wapakoneta .....	336
17, Bowling Green .....	375

### Individual champion

Briana Shook, Tiffin Columbian, 18:41

### Ross finishers

4, Jami Toepppe 19:07; 18, Lindsay Frontz 20:05; 35, Kristyn Warner 20:37.5; 39, Kelly Alison 20:46; 90, Sarah Williams 21:50.5; 102, Monica Wood 22:15; 104, Molly O'Connor 22:16.5