

1972 Season In Review...

Open April 6 At Marion Harding

Brant Optimistic As Ross Prepares For Upcoming Track And Field Season

Fremont Ross track and field head coach Ron Brant is building his 1972 squad around 10 lettermen who return from last spring's squad that compiled a nifty 7-1 dual meet record.

"On paper we don't look as strong as we were last year but I'm optimistic," Brant said recently as he prepared the Little Giants for the season opener at Marion Harding's all-weather oval April 6.

"Last season we were strong in the middle distance, distances, relay events plus the shot put, discus and pole vault. Now we appear to have some strong individuals in the sprint and hurdles. Most of the fellows in those events competed as sophomore last year."

Three of the returning lettermen were in the state competition last spring. Junior Rob Lytle was a qualifier in the 100-yard dash. Tom Liggins competed in the shot put while Tom Pitts was a member of the mile relay team that competed in Columbus.

Lytle and Liggins are both scheduled to see duty in the sprint events (100 and 220) this year and could also form part of the 880 relay. Lytle is a junior and Liggins a senior.

Also competing for spots in the sprint races are sophomores Randy Robertson and Jim Heidleberg.

"The two sophomores along with Liggins and Lytle don't look too bad right now," Brant said. "I'm hoping to get a lot of points from those fellows."

Pitts and another letterman, Ken Price, are both back to compete in the high and low hurdles. They were the number one and two hurdlers as sophomores last season. They are being pushed by Jeff Porczak.

Pitts is also being worked in the 440 along with Tim Smith, a brother of Earl Smith, the most valuable member of last year's squad, and Jon Smith. That trio is also expected to form part of the 880 relay.

Seniors Kurt Stout and Chris Widman are working out in the 880 with juniors Mike Hunt and Steve Young. Stout, Widman and Hunt will also see duty in the mile run.

Three juniors—Dave Damschroder, Mark Hoffman and Mark Reardon—are joined by sophomore Randy Patrick as the leading candidates in the two-mile run.

Liggins is back for the shot put. Bob Koebel, who lettered as a sophomore, also returns in the shot with senior Larry Johns.

Three lettermen—Chuck Celek, Kim Michaels and Pitts—are scheduled to see heavy duty in the high jump.

The leading candidate in the discus is letterman Andy Sale. He'll probably be joined by Koebel.

"Right now, Sale looks as good as Tom Nighswander did at this time last season," Brant said. Nighswander broke the school record in the discus twice during his senior campaign.

Senior letterman John Werling is the only returnee in the pole vault. But the Little Giant coaching staff hopes to get help from a pair of sophomores, Jeff Oepelt and Keith Pettiford.

Jon Smith and Jeff Porczak appear to be the leading contenders for the long jump assignments.

Besides the dual meet record, the Little Giants will have their work cut out attempting to better some of their other performances in 1971. They won the Fremont Night Relays, placed fifth out of 12 teams in the Marion Relays, were

seventh out of 28 squads at the Blade Relays, third among eight in the Buckeye Conference, second among 11 in the sectional and third of 29 in the district competition.

Six three-year lettermen—Bill Burkett, Chuck Miller, Mike Ruland, Earl Smith, Tom Nighswander and Mike Tooman—have graduated. Also gone are Nick Heidleberg, Dave Kridler, Claude Price, Bruce Schneider, Al Sewell, Mark Shimer and Barry Hawk. Heidleberg, Price and Schneider each lettered twice for the Purple and White.

Smith was regarded as one of the top middle distance runners to come out of Ross in the last quarter century. He competed in the 880 where he finished second in the state and also anchored the mile relay team that now has the school record.

Brant is being assisted by Norm Bray, Tom Armstrong and Jim Pasch. Bray tutors the sprinters, hurdles, relay teams and long jumpers. Armstrong is in charge of the shot put and discus competitors while Pasch coaches the pole vaulters and high jumpers. The middle distance and distance runners are under Brant.

After the meet with Harding, Ross travels to Bowling Green April 11 before opening its home campaign with Elyria April 13.

The schedule:

April 6—at Marion Harding; 11—at Bowling Green; 13—ELYRIA; 15—at Tiffin Relays; 17—at Findlay; 21—FREMONT NIGHT RELAYS AT HARMON STADIUM; 23—at Marion Night Relays.

May 1—TIFFIN COLUMBIAN; 3—at Sandusky; 8—Buckeye Conference at Marion Harding; 9—at Lorain Senior; 11—TOLEDO WHITMER; 13—Sectional; 15—PORT CLINTON; 20—District; 26 and 27—State at Ohio State University.

Giants Trip Harding

MARION—Veterans and rookies combined to provide Ross with an opening day 72-55 track and field victory over Marion Harding Thursday.

The veterans who sparked the Little Giants were Tom Liggins, Rob Lytle, Kirt Stout, Tom Pitts and Dave Damschroder. And, they got a big assist from two sophomores—Jeff Opelt and Jim Heidleburg.

Opelt, a pole vaulter, had never gone above 11-6 in pre-season drills. But yesterday he went 13-0 and finished second behind Harding's Mike Jackson. Jackson also went 13-0 but won the first place points on the basis of the number of misses.

Heidleburg recorded a pair of third place points. He was a late entry in the long jump and his best leap of 20-4½ was good for third and then a 24.2 clocking in the 220 gave Ross another team point.

"The performance of those two fellows was real pleasing," Ross head coach Ron Brant said. "We never expected Opelt to go 13 feet."

Summary

Ross 72-Marion 55

Track Events

120 HIGH HURDLES—1. Havcox (M); 2. Price (R); 3. Pitts (R); 15.6.
100-YARD DASH—1. Lytle (R); 2. Liggins (R); 3. Davis (M); 10.1.
MILE RUN—1. Stout (R); 2. Widman (R); 3. Young (M); 4:49.6.
880 RELAY—1. Marion; 1:33.7.
440-YARD DASH—1. Pitts (R); 2. Ring (M); 3. Smith (R); 53.6.
180 LOW HURDLES—1. Havcox (M); 2. Price (R); 3. Shearon (R); 20.7.
880 RUN—1. Burris (M); 2. Griffith (M); Widman (R); 2:06.6.
200-YARD DASH—1. Lytle (R); 2.

Cochran (M); 3. Heidleburg (R); 23.8.
TWO-MILE RUN—1. Damschroder (R); 2. Hoffman (R); 3. Patrick (R); 10:46.
MILE RELAY—1. Ross; 3:36.3.

* Field Events
SHOT PUT—1. Liggins (R); 2. Kobel (R); 3. Johns (R); 50-6.
DISCUS—1. Imbody (M); 2. Koebel (R); 3. Sale (R); 124-5½.
POLE VAULT—Jackson (M); 2. Opelt (R); 3. Balinger (M); 13-0.
HIGH JUMP—1. Hill (M); 2. Michael (R); 3. Celek (R); 6-0.
LONG JUMP—1. Ring (M); 2. Slater (M); 3. Heidelberg (R); 20-6½.

Lytle was the only double winner in the meet that was raced over Harding's all-weather oval that will be the site of the Buckeye Conference meet next month. His 10.1 out-distanced the field in the 100 and he came back with a neat 23.8 in the 220.

"Rob seems to be picking up where he left off last year," Brant said. "Those times are outstanding for this time of the season."

Lytle was an entrant in the 100 of the Class AAA competition at the state meet in Columbus last spring.

Liggins led the Little Giants to a sweep in the shot put. His winning put was 50-½ while Bob Koebel (46-5) and Larry Johns (45-2) placed second and third, respectively.

Stout nailed a first for Ross in the mile run, just edging teammate Chris Widman at the finish line. Both Little Giant seniors were clocked in 49.6.

Pitts came up with more first place points in the 440. He was clocked in 53.6 compared to a

54.3 for Harding's Ralph Ring, the second place finisher.

The final individual win for the Little Giants came in the two-mile where Dave Damschroder led Ross to a sweep of all three places. Mark Hoffman was second and Randy Patrick third for the Purple and White.

Ross completed the meet with a victory in the mile relay. Ken Price, Stout, Tim Smith and Pitts toured the oval in 3:36.3.

The Little Giants return to action Tuesday at Bowling Green. The first home meet is at Harmon Stadium Thursday against Elyria.

St. Joe Linksters Upset Oak Harbor

OAK HARBOR—Fremont St. Joe pulled off a mild upset by tripping Oak Harbor, 5½-3½, in a scholastic golf match played at Portage Point Golf Course Wednesday.

Oak Harbor, which is favored in many circles to win the Sandusky Bay Conference championship this spring, entered the meet with a 1-0 record. It was the first meet of the season for the Crimson Streaks.

St. Joe was paced by senior John Szabo, who fired a 40 and decisioned Tim Ford, 1½-½. The Streaks also received 2-0 victories from Steve Poseler and Bob Heckters.

Poseler fired a 42 compared to a 44 for Oak Harbor's Jim Murray. Heckters checked in at 44 after nine holes while Jay Pinson registered a 45 for Jay Pinson.

John Knopp authored the only win for Oak Harbor. He took a 2-0 decision from St. Joe's John Halm. Knopp carded a 42 compared to Halm's 53.

In team strokes, Oak Harbor had a 172 compared to St. Joe's 179.

"I think we surprised them with our play," St. Joe head coach John Kahle said. "We actually won the match at the ninth hole. Steve Poseler and John Szabo each picked up an extra team point for us on the final hole."

"Poseler had a par four compared to a five for Murray which gave Poseler both a point for holes and strokes. Then Szabo had a four and Murray a six that gave Szabo the point for total strokes."

The varsity results:

John Szabo (St. Joe) dec. Tim Ford, 1½-½.
Steve Poseler (St. Joe) dec. Jim Murray, 2-0.
Bob Heckters (St. Joe) dec. Jay Pinson, 2-0.
John Knopp (Oak Harbor) dec. John Halm, 2-0.

In Triangular Victory

Lytle, Price Set Pace For Cinderlemen

BOWLING GREEN — Next comes Elyria.

Fremont Ross tuned up for its important meeting at Harmon Stadium Thursday with Elyria by routing Bowling Green and Napoleon in a triangular meet Tuesday. The Little Giants, who are now 3-0 on the campaign, recorded 80 points while Napoleon finished with 45 and Bowling Green 37.

Ross had six individual places — two in the field events and four running — in the 15 event program. But two speedsters, Rob Lytle and Ken Price accounted for both of the track wins.

Price, who's only a sophomore, won both the hurdle events. He took the highs in 15.5 and then turned in a 20.8 to outdistance the field in the lows.

Lytle remains undefeated in the 100 and 220. He had 10.2 in the century yesterday and came back with a 22.1 in the quarter.

Tom Liggins and Jeff Opelt notched the other first place points for the Little Giants. It was the second individual win of the campaign for both.

Liggins took the shot put competition with a heave of 53 feet five inches while Opelt, a

sophomore had a winning pole vault of 12-0.

"Ken Price is doing a heckuva job for us right now," Little Giant head coach Ron Brant said. "He's closing in on both school records. He has the potential to take both of them if he continues to work."

The school record (15.1) in the high hurdles was established in 1937 by Pete Fox. The low hurdle standard is 20.0 and was authored by Ron Whitcomb in 1964.

Brant also commented about the performances of Lytle, Liggins, Jeff Opelt and Kim Michael.

"The sprint times of Lytle were good for that track and this time of the year," Brant said. "We're pleased with the progress he's making."

Liggins also is getting good distance in the shot put. He could also break the school record (55-10). Opelt has been a very pleasant surprise for us so far.

"Michael high jumped 6-0 for second place. That's the best he has done in his career."

The Little Giants also picked up first place points in the 880 relay. Jim Heidelberg, Randy Robertson, Liggins and Lytle finished with a neat 1:35.6.

Besides Michael, Ross also had second places from Bob Koebel (shot put), Jim Heidelberg (long jump and 220), Tom Pitts (440) and Kirk Stout (880).

Of the second place point-getters, Michael, Liggins and Stout are the only seniors. Koebel and Pitts are juniors while Heidelberg is a sophomore.

Koebel also took a third in the discus competition. A pair of sophomores, Tim Smith and Terry Shearon, also bagged third place points. Smith competed in the 440 and Shearon the low hurdles.

The Thursday match with Elyria shapes up as a revenge meet for Ross. Elyria was the only team that beat the Little Giants last spring when Ross finished with a sparkling 9-1 record. The Pioneers also nosed out Ross for a second in the Buckeye Conference competition and then were the only team to beat the Little Giants in football last fall.

The results:

Ross 80-Napoleon 45-BG 37 Track Events

120 HIGH HURDLES—1. Ken Price (R); 2. Williams (N); 3. Leadeas (N); 4. Pitts (R); 15.5.

100 DASH—1. Lytle (R); 2. Liggins (R); 3. Ealey (N); 4. Haffy (BG); 10.2.

MILE RUN—1. Chris Widman (R); 2. Haas (BG); 3. Mahaffy (BG); 4. Walters (N); 4:48.5.

880 RELAY—1. Ross (Jim Heidelberg, Randy Robertson, Tom Liggins and Rob Lytle); 2. Napoleon; 3. Bowling Green; 1:35.6.

440 DASH—1. Rosebrook (N); 2. Pitts (R); 3. T. Smith (R); 4. Dampert (BG); 53.3.

180 LOW HURDLES—1. Ken Price (R); 2. Williams (N); 3. Terry Shearon (R); 4. Cheetwood (BG); 20.8.

880 RUN—1. Daniels (BG); 2. Kirk Stout (R); 3. Heintz (BG); 4. Jerry Dickman (R) 2:03.6.

220 DASH—1. Rob Lytle (R); 2. Jim Heidelberg (R); 3. Rickenberg (N); 4. Mahaffy (N); 22.1.

TWO MILE RUN—1. Eikum (BG); 2. Lancer (N); 3. Dave Damschroder (R); 4. Mark Hoffman (R); 9:49.5.

MILE RELAY—1. Napoleon; 2. Ross; 3. Bowling Green; 3:35.

Field Events

SHOT PUT—1. Tom Liggins (R); 2. Bob Koebel (R); 3. Ottley (BG); 4. Thompson (N); 53-5.

DISCUS—1. Thompson (N); 2. Ottley (BG); 3. Bob Koebel (R); 4. Andy Sale (R); 139-10.

POLE VAULT—1. Opelt (R); 2. Voche (N); 3. Morehead (N); 4. John Werling (R); 12-0.

HIGH JUMP—1. Baker (BG); 2. Kim Michael (R); 3. Chuck Celek (R); 4. Leaders (BG); 6-2.

LONG JUMP—1. Baker (BG); 2. Jim Heidelberg (R); 3. Voche (N); 4. Carr (BG); 20-10 1/4.

SBC Baseball Roundup

Defending Champs Coast By Mohawks

Gibsonburg has picked up where it left off last spring in the Sandusky Bay Conference baseball race.

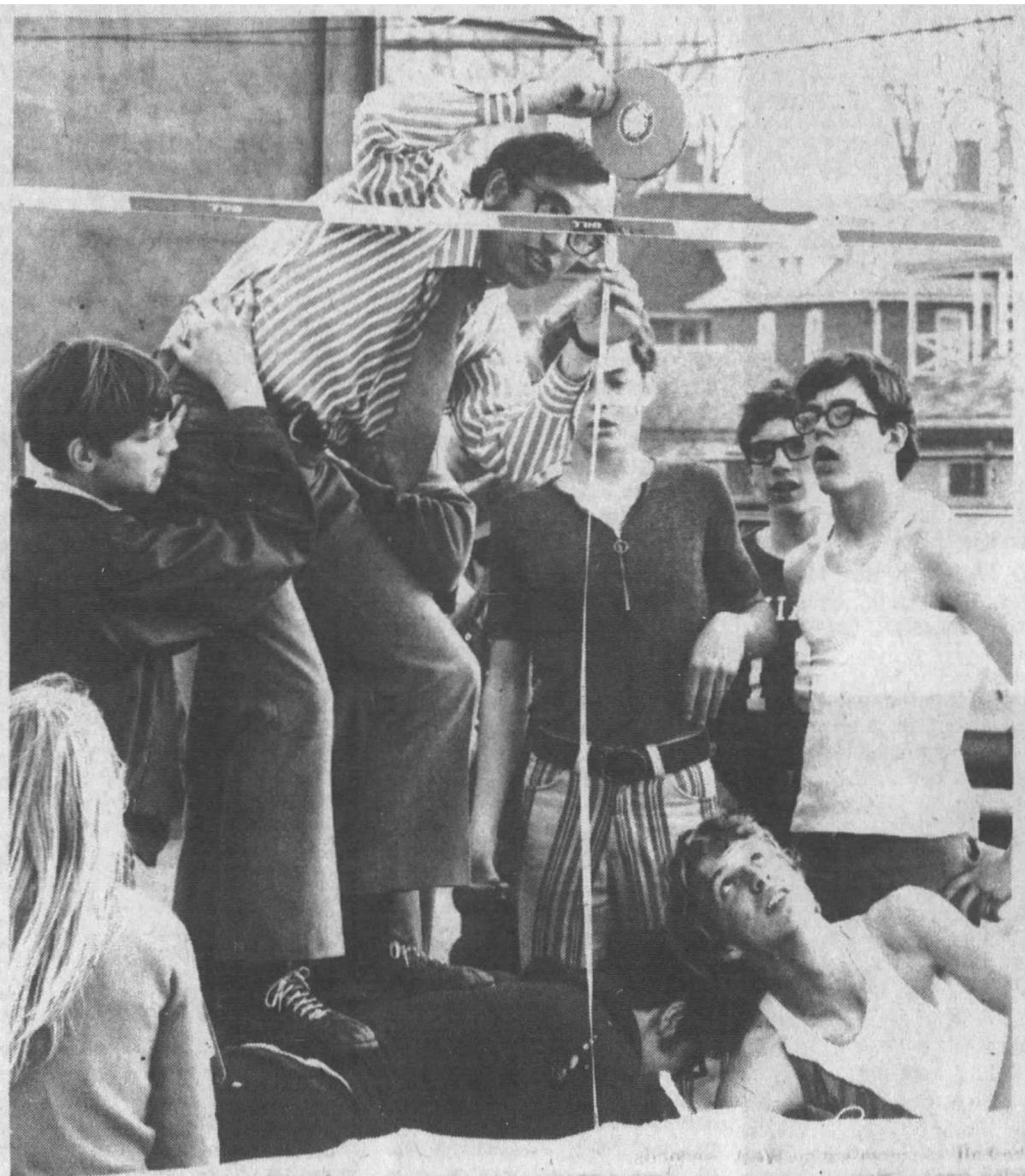
The Golden Bears, who won the league crown last year with a neat 6-0-1 report card, drubbed Fostoria St. Wendelin, 12-0, in the first full night of league activity Tuesday.

In other games, Huron downed Lakota, 9-6, and St. Mary's came up with five runs in the sixth inning to defeat Margaretta, 7-2.

Gibsonburg received a one-hit pitching performance from Tom Jurski (1-1), who issued three passes and fanned 11. Jurski had at least one strikeout in every inning but the fourth and fanned the side in the fifth.

The only St. Wendelin hit was a single to center by Ed Fililiater in the fourth inning. He tried to reach second on the play but was thrown out at second.

Gibsonburg scored its first four runs without the benefit of a base hit. The Bears went ahead 3-0 in the last of the second when losing pitcher Paul Feasel walked five consecutive batters after recording a strikeout to open the inning.



Let's Get It Right

Kim Michael (looking up from the ground) watches as Sam Barrett (standing on the back of a Ross team member) makes an accurate measure of the high bar height during the dual meet between Ross and

Elyria at Harmon Stadium Thursday. They were measuring for the Ross school record. Michael jumped 6-1 to break the mark of 6-3 $\frac{1}{4}$ which had been set in 1956. (News-Messenger Photo by Larry Sollazzo)

Dual Meet At Findlay Tuesday

Little Giants First At Relays

TIFFIN—Ross started slowly but finished strong to win the Bill Krause Memorial Relays at Columbian Stadium Saturday.

The Little Giants finished with 39½ points to pace the 11 team field. Also in the first five were Upper Sandusky (29), Toledo Whitmer (27), Findlay (23½) and Tiffin Columbian (22½).

Bellevue and Port Clinton also competed but were far down the list in the team standings. Port Clinton placed in three events and had six points while Bellevue's only points came in the two mile relay where it was third. .

Ross picked up the large trophy with first places in three of the final four events.

The final push began with a win in the 440 relay where Tom Liggins, Ken Price, Jim Heidelberg and Rob Lytle combined to run a nifty 45.6.

A second place followed in the two mile relay where Chris Widman, Jerry Dickman, Mike Hunt and Kirk Stout combined for an 8:42.5. Ross sewed up the win in the mile relay with another first. Price, Lytle, Tim Smith and Tom Pitts ran a 3:33.3.

Pole vaulters John Werling, Jeff Opeit and Keith Pettiford added to the Ross point total with a first in the pole vault which was completed three hours after the other events were finished.

The Little Giants also added a first in the shot put where Larry

Johns, Bob Koebel and Tom Liggins combined for a put of 148-3. Liggins led the delegation with a toss of better than 51 feet.

Overall, the Purple and White failed to score in only two events — discus and distance medley.

In other field events, Ross was fifth in the long jump and tied for fourth in the high jump. Long jumpers were Heidelberg, Smith and Doug Kridler. Kim Michaels, Chuck Celek and Stout were the high jump competitors for head coach Ron Brant.

"This was a good event for us to win," Brant said. "I was a little worried with the way we started, but the kids came on strong in those final events.

"I thought we were going to have a letdown after the big win over Elyria, but the kids brought themselves back when they had to do it.

"Chris Widman did an especially fine job for us. He ran one of the best miles (4:42) of his life in the four mile relay and came back with a 2:05 half mile to lead off our two mile relay.

"Tom Pitts also did an excellent job of anchoring the mile relay team."

Ross resumes competition at Findlay Tuesday with a dual

meet against the Trojans. The Giants return home Friday to host the annual Fremont Night Relays. Ross will be joined by Parma Padua, Fostoria, Port Clinton, Findlay and Bowling Green.

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The Ross girls finished second in an abbreviated three-event program at Tiffin. Mohawk won the title with three firsts to tally 18 points while Ross had two seconds and a fourth for 10.

Combining for second in the shuttle hurdles were Vickie Zyski, Debra Eversole, Jill Durnwald and Sue Oberholtzer. The second place 440 relay team was composed of Tracy Rauch, Barb Elder, Sue Oberholtzer and Vicki Zyski. Barb Elder, Jeannie Hull and Ora Platter combined for the fourth in the long jump.

Bill Krause Memorial Relays Boys Team Scoring

Ross 39½	Fostoria 13
Upper San. 29	Bucyrus 10
Whitmer 27	Port Clinton 6
Findlay 23½	Riverdale 3½
Tiffin 22½	Bellevue 3
Willard 16	

Running Events

FOUR MILE — 1. Tiffin Columbian (J. Wotterau, T. Sendelbach, D. Jumper and B. Booher), 18:52.3; 2. Findlay; 3. Bucyrus; 4. Ross; 5. Whitmer.

SHUTTLE HURDLE — 1. Willard (R. Maddocks, R. Buckingham, C. Maddocks and B. Coe), 1:00.4; 2. Ross; 3. Findlay; 4. Riverdale; 5. Whitmer.

880 — 1. Whitmer (St. Thomas, K. Davis, J. Foels and J. Double), 1:33.0; 2. Upper Sandusky; 3. Ross; 4. Findlay; 5. Willard.

DISTANCE MEDLEY — 1. Findlay (B. Mauer, H. Paul, C. Line and J. Hochstettler), 11:05.5; 2. Bucyrus; 3. Upper Sandusky; 4. Tiffin; 5. Whitmer.

440-1. Ross (T. Liggins, K. Price, J. Heidelberg and R. Lytle), 45.6; 2. Whitmer; 3. Fostoria; 4. Upper Sandusky; 5. Port Clinton.

TWO MILE — 1. Tiffin, 8:37.1; 2. Ross; 3. Bellevue; 4. Fostoria; 5. Findlay.

MILE — Ross (K. Price, R. Lytle, T. Smith and T. Pitts), 3:33.3; 2. Upper Sandusky; 3. Whitmer; 4. Bucyrus; 5. Tiffin and Findlay.

Field Events

SHOT PUT — 1. Ross (L. Johns, B. Koebel and T. Liggins), 145-3; 2. Tiffin; 3. Port Clinton; 4. Whitmer; 5. Upper Sandusky.

DISCUS — 1. Whitmer (Swaney, Ziegler and Caputo), 395; 2. Tiffin; 3. Upper Sandusky; 4. Port Clinton; 5. Findlay.

LONG JUMP — 1. Upper Sandusky (D. Detray, M. Phillips and P. Treadway), 57-6; 2. Willard; 3. Fostoria; 4. Findlay; 5. Ross.

HIGH JUMP — 1. Upper Sandusky (Scherzer, Anderson and Wolf), 17-4; Findlay; 3. Fostoria; 4. Ross and Riverdale.

POLE VAULT — 1. Ross (J. Werling, J. Opeit and K. Pettiford), 33-6; 2. Willard; 3. Whitmer; 4. Fostoria; 5. Bucyrus.

Girls Events

Team Scoring

Tiffin 4	Mohawk 18
Port Clinton 3	Ross 10
Seneca.East 2	Bucyrus 5½
Willard 1½	Fostoria 4

LONG JUMP — 1. Mohawk; 2. Bucyrus; 3. Tiffin; 4. Ross; 5. Seneca East.

SHUTTLE HURDLES — 1. Mohawk; 2. Ross; 3. Port Clinton; 4. Seneca East; 5. Tiffin.

440 RELAY — 1. Mohawk; 2. Ross; 3. Fostoria; 4. Bucyrus and Willard.

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Findlay Cindermen End Winning Skein

FINDLAY—The rubber match involving the track and field squads from Ross and Findlay will take place at the Fremont Night Relays Friday.

The Trojans, after finishing 16 points behind the Little Giants at the William Krause Relays in Tiffin Saturday, turned the tables in a dual meet Tuesday and whipped Ross, 74-53.

The loss crushed a Ross dual meet winning skein that had extended to nine meets over a two year period. It dropped the Little Giants to 4-1 this spring.

Ross Golfers Pocket No. 3

FINDLAY—A two-over-par performance by junior Bob Moll sparked Fremont Ross to a 10½-2½ win over defending Buckeye Conference champion Findlay at Findlay Country Club Tuesday.

Moll, who lettered as a sophomore, shot a 37-37-74 playing in the No. 2 position. His sparkling play — 14 pars, three bogeys and one birdie — earned a 3-0 decision over Craig Vandlik, who shot a 40-39-79.

"Bob played consistent golf and that's what we need," a pleased Little Giant head coach Charlie Baker said. "Bob was more consistent today than I've ever seen him."

Moll had to share the spotlight, however. The other three competitors in the Little Giant lineup—Jim Decker, Buck Baumann and Rob Hall—all posted wins and earned praise from Baker, who has watched his club reel off three straight victories after an opening loss to Sandusky.

The results:

Jim Decker (Ross, 42-34-76) def. John Delaney (41-38-79), 2-1.

Bob Moll (Ross, 37-37-74) def. Craig Vandlik (40-39-79), 3-0.

Buck Baumann (Ross, 38-37-75) def. Pat Jaqua (41-38-79), 2½-½.

Rob Hall (Ross, 39-43-82) def. Dick Coleman (42-41-83), 2-1.

Team Strokes: Ross, 307-320.

Reserve Score: Findlay, 10-5.

"The meet was similar to our meet with Elyria last Thursday," Ross head coach Ron Brant said. "Once Findlay got rolling we couldn't stop them."

All was not lost for Ross, however.

Even though he finished second in the 180 low hurdles, Ken Price established a new Ross record with a 19.9 clocking. It broke the old mark of 20.0 set during the 1954 season by Ron Whitcomb.

Findlay's Hal Paul nipped Price at the finish line by a tenth of a second. Paul also picked off

firsts in the long jump (20-0) and 120 high hurdles (15.1).

Ross' junior sprinter Rob Lytle turned in a 9.975 in taking the 100. He is unbeaten in the century this spring. But in the 220 Lytle was nicked at the finish line by Curt Hippenstein in a disputed decision. Timers clocked Hippenstein in 22.4 while Lytle had a 22.45.

The Little Giants tallied first place points in two other running events. Tom Pitts won the 440 with a 55.1 and was followed to the finish line by sophomore teammate Tim Smith (55.9).

Price, Lytle, Smith and Pitts combined to win the mile relay in 3:40.6. They had almost a three second edge over the Findlay quartet.

Ross was outscored 27-18 in the field events but did have a pair of firsts. Tom Liggins took the shot put (50-3½) while Kim Michael paced the high jumpers.

Michael and Paul both cleared 5-10, but Michael was awarded first based on the number of misses.

Junior Bob Koebel continues to give Ross field events points. His 47-2½ effort in the shot was good for second and he added a third in the discus by hurling the platter 122-10½.

FINDLAY 74-ROSS 53

Track Events

120 HIGH HURDLES—1. Paul (F); 2. Price (R); 3. Pitts (R); 15.1.

100 DASH — 1. Lytle (R); 2. Wonderly (F); 3 Hippenstein (F); 9.975.

MILE RUN — 1. Hochstettler (F); 2. Haas (F); 3. Widman (R); 4:51.8.

880 RELAY—1. Findlay, 1:34.6.

440 DASH—1. Pitts (R); 2. T. Smith (R); 3. Suds (F); 55.1.

180 LOW HURDLES—1. Paul (F); 2. Price (R); 3. Porczak (R); 19.8 (Ken Price of Ross ran a 19.9 to crack the school record of 20.0 set by Ron Whitcomb, 1954).

880 RUN—1. Hochstettler (F); 2. Stout (R); 3. Maurer (F); 2:00.4.

220 DASH—1. Hippenstein (F); 2. Lytle (R); 3. Heidelbert (R); 22.4.

TWO MILE RUN—1. Line (F); 2. Otto (F); 3. Hoffman (R); 10:26.0.

MILE RELAY—1. Ross (Price, Lytle, Smith and Pitts), 3:40.6.

Field Events

SHOT PUT—1. Liggins (R); 2. Koebel (R); 3. Cook (F); 50-3½.

DISCUS—1. Cook (F); 2. Firestone (F); 3. Koebel (R); 143-10.

POLE VAULT—1. Ede (F); 2. Opelt (R); 3. Thomas (F); 11-6.

HIGH JUMP—1. Michael (R); 2. Paul (F); 3. Kinney (F); 5-10.

LONG JUMP—1. Paul (F); 2. Hochstettler (F); 3. Kridler (R); 20-0.

Sandusky Tops Star-Studded Field

Ross Cinder Corps Sixth At Marion

MARION — The better the competition the more Rob Lytle likes it.

The ace of the Ross sprint corps was at his very best for the Marion Night Relays Friday and was one of only two contestants who took away more than one first place.

Lytle, with the best performance of his career, out-distanced the field in the 100-yard dash and then came back to pick up the first place medal in the 220-yard dash.

Those vital first place points helped the Little Giants finish sixth in a star-studded 12-team field at Harding Stadium, which will be the site of the Buckeye Conference championships May 6.

Sandusky won the title with a narrow three-point cushion over Upper Arlington, 120-117. Third spot went to Worthington (68) followed

by Columbus West (43), Findlay (43) and Fremont (40½).

Lytle broke the 10.0 barrier for the first time in the century and cracked the tape in 9.9 barely ahead of Sandusky's Willie Jordan, who had a 9.96. Lytle's time is only a tenth of a second off the school record held jointly by Steve Parker (1967) and Jim Tiller (1956).

Ross' junior standout was also pressed in the 220 but did manage to get over the line ahead of Worthington's John Madry. Lytle was clocked in 22.3 compared to Madry's 22.5.

Lytle was the only Little Giant who could pick up first or second place points. The next best individual showing was Tom Liggins' third place in the shot put. His 51-0 put was good for third place. Junior Bob Koebel (49-8) was two spots behind Liggins.

In Blade Relays

Haubert Paces Wildcats To Third Place Finish

TOLEDO — Woodmore's Larry Haubert stamped himself as one of the finest Class AA hurdlers in northwestern Ohio with a double victory in the Blade Relays yesterday.

Haubert, a senior, who participated in the AA low hurdles at the state meet last spring, took both the highs and lows to lead Woodmore to a third place finish in a 19-team field. The blond-haired Wildcat elder established a new meet record in the lows with a sizzling 7 over the all-weather track at Lucas County Recreation Center. The old mark of 29.9 was set by Ross' Ron Weber in 1971. Haubert was four tenths of a second faster than the second place finisher, Paul Calvero of Perrysburg.

In the 120 high hurdles, Haubert's winning margin was even more decisive. He finished clearing the timbers in 1:1.1 while Kenny Cain, the second place finisher, needed 1:1.7.

Haubert also helped Woodmore a record-breaking first place owing in the mile relay. He anchored the foursome and ran a sizzling 50.6 over the final quarter mile. Other mile relay members were Jeff Travis, Doug arms and Mark Slaters.

"I was completely surprised by that mile relay team," a smiling Woodmore head coach Jim Smithley said. "I never expected us to win it."

"We made one change from what we've been doing — substituted Travis in the leadoff spot. He did a tremendous job (8 split) for a kid who just began working on running in the

meet that Ottawa-Glandorf should run away with it.

The Titans' winning margin was eight and a half points (49-½) over Riverdale with Woodmore third at 29½.

The bulk of Ottawa-Glandorf's points were scored by the brilliant Jeff Huggins, who took four firsts — long jump, 100, 220 and 440. He set a new meet record in the 440 with a 53.4 clocking.

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Against Miami

Bowling Green Slated For Tube Appearance

BOWLING GREEN — Roone Arledge, president of American Broadcasting Company Sports, announced today that Bowling Green State University's football team will appear on the 1972 National Collegiate Athletic Association college football television series.

Bowling Green's away game with Miami will be one of four games televised regionally on Sept. 23 by ABC. The other three contests announced as television games for Sept. 23 are Nebraska-Army, Stanford-Duke and Georgia-Tulane.

Both Bowling Green and Miami will be making their first television appearances in the college football series. In recent years, the Kent State's game with Ohio University has been the televised Mid-American Conference game.

"I'm just tremendously excited about having our football team set for television next season," commented BG athletic director Dick Young. "This insures our football program of having its best national exposure in history. Football fans in all sections of the country will be able to see our team next year since we open the season at Purdue and then have away games

Sophomore Jim Heidelberg gave head coach Ross Brant a fourth in the long jump with a leap of 20-6½. Heidelberg was also a fifth in the 220.

The Little Giants did get a number of sixth places. Chuck Celek was sixth in the high jump, Ken Price took a sixth in the 120 high hurdles and sophomore Jeff Opelt was sixth in the pole vault.

Celek went 5-10 in the high jump, Price had a 15-3 in the high hurdles and Opelt went 12-6 before bowing out.

Ross placed in only two of the five relay events. The Little Giants were fifth in the mile relay and tied with Mansfield Malabar for the number five slot in the shuttle hurdles.

Tom Pitts, Price, Tim Smith and Heidelberg made up the mile quartet. Pitts and Price were joined in the 480 shuttle hurdle quartet by sophomore Terry Shearon and senior Jeff Porczak.

Overall, Sandusky, which will be heavily favored to win the Buckeye Conference championship, took three individual firsts and two more in relay events. Bob Fair set a new meet mark of 9:23.2 while winning the two mile for the Blue Streaks.

Also cracking the tape first for Sandusky were Jim Fantozzi (high hurdles), Leo Ferguson (440) and the two mile and mile relay delegations. The Blue Streaks added five second places.

Scholastic Relay Results

Marion . . .

Two Mile Run

1. Bob Fair, Marion Harding, 4:37.8; 2. Dan Giacalone, 4:38.2; 3. Bill Earley, 4:38.6; 4. Jim Heidelberg, 4:39.2; 5. Ron West, 4:40.4.

Shot Put

1. Scott Miller, Upper Arlington, 50-4; 2. Mike Watson, Mansfield Malabar, 49-10; 3. Tom Liggins, Ross, 51-0; 4. Stan Johnson, 51-0; 5. Bob Koebel, Ross, 49-8.

High Hurdles

1. Harold Denhard, Sandusky, 29-5; 2. Tom Taylor, Upper Arlington, 29-1; 3. Ron Poole, West, 29-3.

Distance Medley Relay

1. Harold Denhard, Sandusky, 7:49.3; 2. Worthington, 7:56.1; 3. Paul Beck, Monroe CC, 7:57.2; 4. Sandusky, 8:03.5; 5. Marion, 8:07.1.

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Four Vault

1. Jim Geisler, Marion Harding, 13-6; 2. Andy Horn, Upper Arlington, 13-6; 3. Steve Craven, Upper Arlington, 13-6; 4. Richard Allen, Mansfield Sr., 13-0; 5. Mansfield Malabar, 13-0.

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Record 10 First Places

Ross Wades To 76-46 Track-Field Victory

Ross reeled off 10 first places compared to Tiffin Columbian's four in an abbreviated track and field meet at muddy Harmon Stadium Monday.

The Little Giants hiked their season log to 5-1 with a convincing 76-46 victory. The final event — the mile relay — was cancelled after a hard rainstorm struck during the two mile run and put several areas of the track under water.

Senior hurdler Ken Price and sophomore sprinter Jim Heidelberg were double winners for the Little Giants. Price took the high (15.9) and low hurdles (21.1) while Heidelberg was copping top honors in the long jump (20-4½) and 220 (24.0).

Rob Lytle, who won the 100 at

the Marion Invitational Friday, again out-distanced the field in his specialty with a 10.5 clocking over the soggy track. Lytle, a junior, also competed in the 440 where he was second to another Ross junior, Tom Pitts, who had a 54.5.

Ross had a 21-point bulge in the five field events with four first places. Tom Liggins (48-3) took the shot put, Jeff Opelt (12-6) prevailed in the pole vault and Kim Michael (6-0) took the high jump in addition to Heidelberg's winning effort in the long jump.

Head coach Ron Brant also received a win from an 880 relay foursome that included Heidelberg, John Werling, Jon Smith and Randy Robertson.

The meet gave the Ross

coaches (Brant and his assistants, Norm Bray, Tom Armstrong and Jim Pasch) an opportunity to take a close look at many of the underclassmen. In the 220, for instance, three sophomores were entered. Terry Shearon finished in third spot.

Other underclassmen who score in individual events include Bob Koebel, Doug Kridler and Robertson.

Koebel was second in the shot put while Kridler had the longest leap of his career (20-1) to finish second in the long jump and Robertson placed third in the 100.

The Giants return to dual meet competition Wednesday against powerful Sandusky. Saturday the Buckeye Conference championship will be staged at Marion Harding High School with preliminary events starting at 11:30 a.m. and the finals at 2 p.m.

The line score:

Ross 76-Tiffin 46

Track Events

120 HIGH HURDLES—1. Price (R); 2. Hanna (T); 3. Porczak; 15.9.
100 DASH—1. Lytle (R); 2. Liggins (R); 3. Robertson (R); 10.5.
MILE RUN—1. Booher (T); 2. Wetteraw (T); 3. Stout (R); 4:47.7.
880 RELAY—1. Ross (Jim Heidelberg, John Werling, Jon Smith and Randy Robertson); 1:39.9.
440 DASH—1. Pitts (R); 2. Lytle (R); 3. Nordholt (T); 54.5.

180 LOW HURDLES—1. Price (R); 2. Hanna (T); 3. Shearon (R); 21.1.
880 RUN—1. Booher (T); 2. Magers (T); 3. Widman (R); 2:09.6.
220 DASH—1. Heidelberg (R); 2. Spencer (T); 3. Shearon (R); 24.0.
TWO MILE RUN—1. Jumper (T); 2. Sandelbach (T); 3. Damschroder (R); 10:23.5.

MILE RELAY—Cancelled Rain.

Field Events

SHOT PUT—1. Liggins (R); 2. Koebel (R); 3. Nobil (T); 48-3.
DISCUS—1. Nobil (T); 2. Liggins (R); 3. Rex (T); 141-¼.
POLE VAULT—1. Opelt (R); 2. Young (T); 3. Werling (R); 12-6.
HIGH JUMP—1. Michael (R); 2. Celek (R); 3. Gottfried (T); 6-0.
LONG JUMP—1. Heidelberg (R); 2. Kridler (R); 3. Patterson (T); 20-4½.

Standings

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

National League

Eastern Division

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
Montreal	9	4	.692	—
New York	9	4	.692	—
Philadelphia	10	5	.667	—
St. Louis	5	8	.385	4
Pittsburgh	5	9	.357	4½
Chicago	4	10	.286	5½

West Division

Houston	11	4	.733	—
Los Angeles	11	5	.688	½
Atlanta	7	8	.467	4
Cincinnati	5	8	.385	5
San Francisco	6	11	.353	6
San Diego	5	11	.313	6½

Monday's Results

New York 7, San Francisco 4
Houston 9, Pittsburgh 8
Philadelphia 2, Los Angeles 1
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Atlanta (Reed 1-2) at Chicago
(Hands 0-0)

American League

East Division

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
Detroit	7	4	.636	—
Baltimore	7	6	.538	1
Cleveland	6	6	.500	1½
Boston	4	7	.364	3
New York	4	8	.333	3½
Milwaukee	3	7	.300	3½

West Division

Minnesota	8	3	.727	—
Oakland	7	4	.636	1
Chicago	8	5	.615	1
Texas	7	6	.538	2
Kansas City	6	8	.429	3½
California	5	8	.385	4

Monday's Results

No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Oakland (Holtzman 2-1) at Boston (Culp 1-2), (N)
California (Clark 2-1 or May 0-0) at New York (Stottlemyre 0-3), (N)
Chicago (Bahnson 2-2) at Baltimore (McNally 2-1), (N)
Minnesota (Blyleven 3-0) at

Giants Thinclads Routed, 84-43, By Blue Streaks

SANDUSKY — Sandusky showed Fremont Ross why it's heavily favored to win its fifth consecutive Buckeye Conference track and field championship by clouting the Little Giants, 84-43, at Strobel Field Wednesday.

Ross managed to gain a narrow 23-22 bulge in the field events but after that it was all downhill for Ron Brant's harriers. The visitors had only two victories on the cinders and those were provided by junior speedster Rob Lytle, who took both the 100 and 220.

Ross had only four other place winners in the nine running events. Ken Price took the only second places, finishing behind Sandusky's Jim Fantozz in both the high and low hurdles.

Mark Hoffman (mile run) and Kirk Stout (two mile run) grabbed off third places.

Ross did have three firsts in the field competition. Tom Liggins won the shot put, Jeff Opelt captured the pole vault and Kim Michaels was first in the high jump.

Liggins had a winning put of 51-1 $\frac{1}{4}$ while teammate Bob Koebel was second at 48-0.

Opelt led a Ross sweep in the pole vault. His winning height was 12-0 while Keith Pettiford (11-6) and John Werling (11-0) took the second and third positions.

Michaels' winning effort in the high jump was 6-0. Sophomore Jim Heidelberg was the only other Ross place winner in the field. He took a third in the long jump with a leap of 19-10.

Scott May, Sandusky's brilliant all-around athlete, joined Lytle and Fantozz as double winners. May took the discus and long jump in addition to finishing second in the high jump.

"With a couple of breaks Sandusky could be the state champion for Class AAA schools," Brant said. "I'm sure that they have to be the best dual meet team in the state. They have many outstanding individuals but also plenty of depth which makes them strong."

The Buckeye competition will be held at Marion Harding High School. Preliminary heats will start at 11:30 a.m. with the finals scheduled to start at 2 p.m.

The results:

Sandusky 84-Ross 43

Field Events

SHOT PUT—1. Tom Liggins (R); 2. Bob Koebel (R); 3. Leake (S); 51-1 $\frac{1}{4}$.

DISCUS—1. May (S); 2. Hall (S); 3. Paura (S); 166-9.

POLE VAULT—1. Jeff Opelt (R); 2. Keith Pettiford (R); 3. John Werling (R); 12-0.

HIGH JUMP—1. Kim Michaels (R); 2. May (S); 3. Thomas (S); 6-0.

LONG JUMP—1. May (S); 2. Evans (S); 3. Jim Heidelberg (R); 21-1.

Track Events

120 HIGH HURDLES—1. Fantozz (S); 2. Ken Price (R); 3. Lane (S); 14-9.

100 DASH—1. Rob Lytle (R); 2. Evans (S); 3. Jordan (S); 10.1.

MILE RUN—1. Pearson (S); 2. Fair (S); 3. Mark Hoffman (R); 4:38.7.

880 RELAY—1. Sandusky; 1:32.0.

440 DASH—1. Ferguson (S); 2. Sherman (S); 3. Tom Pitts (R); 51.3.

180 LOW HURDLES—1. Fantozz (S); 2. Ken Price (R); 3. Lane (S); 20.3.

220 DASH—1. Rob Lytle (R); 2. Jordan (S); 3. Jim Heidelberg (R); 23.1.

TWO MILE RUN—1. Organ (S); 2. Rosino (S); 3. Stout (R); 10:10.6.

MILE RELAY—1. Sandusky; 3:30.8.

Triangular Thursday

Ross Thinclads

Trample Lorain

LORAIN — Ross' track and field squad, which will make its final home appearance of the spring Thursday in a triangular with Port Clinton and Toledo Whitmer, drubbed an injury-riddled Lorain Senior squad, 78-40, at George Daniel Stadium Tuesday.

The Little Giants, who are now 6-2 for the season, won 10 of the 14 events. The long jump was not contested because of muddy conditions in the jumping area.

Two seniors — Ken Price and Kirt Stout — pulled out double victories for the Little Giants. Price won the 120 high hurdles and 440 dash while Stout took the mile run and 880.

In the hurdles, Price was clocked in 15.2 over the all-weather surface. He had a 53.1 in the 440 where he was competing for only the first time this spring.

Stout had a 4:55.3 mile and came back with a 2:10.2 in the half.

Other wins on the track for Ross were provided by Jeff Porczak (low hurdles, 20.3), Dave Damschroder (two mile, 10:40.6) and the mile relay foursome of Tim Smith, Jon Smith, Jim Heidleberg and Price.

Porczak, a senior, had his best time of the spring in taking the lows. He also picked up a third place point in the high hurdles.

The Little Giants also scored three firsts in the field events. Tom Liggins had a winning effort of 50-4 in the shot put, Jeff Opelt was the last contestant left when the pole vault closed and a 6-0 jump was good enough for Chuck Celek to take the high jump.

Ross also took four seconds in the field events. Junior Bob Koebel was behind Liggins and also placed second in the discus, Keith Pettiford finished in back of Opelt and Kim Michaels was right behind Celek.

In the running events, Jerry Dickman placed second in the 880, sophomore Randy Robertson was behind Lorain's Mike Smith in the 220 and Chris Widman got the second place points for the two mile.

The Ross coaches did not employ Buckeye Conference sprint champion Rob Lytle in either the 100 or 220. He is nursing a minor back injury but is expected to be ready for the Thursday triangular and sectional competition at Mansfield Malabar High School Saturday.

The results:

Field Events

SHOT PUT — 1. Liggins (R); 2. Koebel (R); 3. Cunningham (L); 50.4.
DISCUS — 1. Zvosec (L); 2. Koebel (R); 3. Liggins (R); 128-1½.
POLE VAULT — 1. Opelt (R); 2. Pettiford (R); 3. Wicker (L); 12-6.
HIGH JUMP — 1. Celek (R); 2. Michael (R); 3. Meade (L); 6-0.

Track Events

120 HIGH HURDLES — 1. Price (R); 2. Pillari (L); 3. Porczak (R); 15.2.
100 DASH — 1. Rush (L); 2. Smith (L); 3. Liggins (R); 10.11.
MILE RUN — 1. Stout (R); 2. Reaser (L); 3. Hoffman (R); 4:55.3.
880 RELAY — 1. Lorain, 1:40.4.
440 DASH — 1. Price (R); 2. Pye (L); 3. Lindamood (L); 53.1.
180 LOW HURDLES — 1. Porczak (R); 2. Meade (L); 3. Michael (R); 20.3.
880 RUN — 1. Stout (R); 2. Dickman (R); 3. Hunt (R); 2:10.2.
220 DASH — 1. Smith (L); 2. Robertson (R); 3. Heidleberg (R); 22.6.
TWO MILE RUN — 1. Damschroder (R); 2. Widman (R); 3. Woods (L);
10:40.6.
MILE RELAY — 1. Ross (Tim Smith, Jon Smith, Jim Heidleberg and Ken Price); 3:40.

Little Giants Now 8-2

Ross Mauls Whitmer, Redskins

Ross manhandled Toledo Whitmer and Port Clinton separately and also would have taken their visitors by a comfortable margin if their scores would have been combined following a triangular meet at Harmon Stadium Thursday.

The Little Giants, who are now 8-2 for the season, wrestled away 12 first places en route to scoring 84 points, more than double the total of Whitmer which finished second with 41. Port Clinton had 34.

If the Whitmer and Port Clinton scores would have been combined, Ross still would have won by an 84-75 count.

"The atmosphere was just perfect for a track meet and it seemed to perk our kids up," said Ross head coach Ron Brant. "Some of our kids turned in their best times and distances of the spring."

Ross managed to pick up four of the five first places in the field events. Tom Liggins prepared for Saturday's sectional meet with a winning put of 52 1/4. In the pole vault, Jeff Opelt went 13-0. Kim Michael went only 5-10 to win the high jump while junior Doug Kridler had the best leap of his career (20-3) in winning the long jump.

Three more second place spots added to the Ross point total. Junior Bob Koebel was second in the shot with a put of 48-6 1/4. Celek also went 5-10 in the high jump but missed first on number of misses and sophomore Jim Heidleberg went 19-4 in the long jump.

"We're scoring much better now in the field events than we did at the start of the season,"

Brant reported. "The kids have spent a lot of time in practice working on their specialties."

Senior co-captain Ken Price and junior sprinter Rob Lytle doubled on the track for the Little Giants, who didn't pick up first place points in either the 880 relay or 440 dash.

Price won the high hurdles (15.2) and low hurdles (20.3) while Lytle was allowing the other runners to look at his back in the 100 (10.0) and 220 (22.75).

"It was probably the best double for Price this season,"

Ross 84-Whitmer 41-Port Clinton 34 Field Events

SHOT PUT — 1. Tom Liggins (R); 2. Bob Koebel (R); 3. Swaney (W); 4. Thomas (W); 52-1/4.

DISCUS — 1. Zigler (W); 2. Quisno (PC); 3. Caputo (W); 4. Bob Koebel (R); 148-0.

POLE VAULT — 1. Jeff Opelt (R); 2. Belaire (W); 3. Warga (PC); 4. Pettiford (R); 13-0.

HIGH JUMP — 1. Kim Michael (R); 2. Chuck Celek (R); 3. Duffy (PC); 4. Kokinda (PC); 5-10.

LONG JUMP — 1. Doug Kridler (R); 2. Jim Heidleberg (R); 3. Calish (W); 4. Keney (PC); 20-3.

Track Events

120 HIGH HURDLES — 1. Ken Price (R); 2. Jeff Fritz (PC); 3. Skipman (W); 4. Brudinski (W); 15.2.

100 DASH — 1. Rob Lytle (R); 2. Eveels (W); 3. Liggins (R); 4. Donis (W); 10.0.

MILE RUN — 1. Kirt Stout (R); 2. Walker (PC); 3. Zack (PC); 4. Basch (W); 4:37.0.

880 RELAY — 1. Whitmer; 2. Port Clinton; 1:33.7.

440 DASH — 1. Beniver (W); 2. T. Smith (R); 3. Whittington (PC); 4. J. Smith (R); 53.75.

180 LOW HURDLES — 1. Ken Price (R); 2. Fritz (PC); 3. Porczak (R); 4. Skipman (W); 20.3.

880 RUN — 1. Chris Widman (R); 2. Walker (PC); 3. Jerry Dickman (R); 4. Angel (W); 20.75.

220 DASH — 1. Rob Lytle (R); 2. Jim Heidleberg (R); 3. Benner (W); 4. Jackson (PC); 22.75.

TWO MILE RUN — 1. Dave Damschroder (R); 2. Carson (PC); 3. Idle (W); 4. Mooney (PC); 10:40.1.

MILE RELAY — 1. Ross (Tim Smith, John Smith, Jim Heidleberg and Ken Price); 2. Whitmer; 3:34.3.

Brant said. "He should be a contender for sectional honors this week."

"Lytle again gave us a strong effort. He has some back problems but still turned in two good times for our track."

Kirt Stout ran the best of his career in finishing ahead of the field in the mile. He had a 4:37 while the second place time was 10 seconds slower.

Chris Widman also enjoyed a comfortable cushion in taking the 880. He had a 2:07.2 while Neal Walker of Port Clinton was second in 2:08.3.

In the two mile run, junior Dave Damschroder had a 10:40.1 to take another first for the Purple and White, who have now closed out the home dual meet portion of their schedule.

The Ross foursome of Tim Smith, Jon Smith, Heidleberg and Price closed the meet with victory margin of almost eight seconds in the mile relay. The Little Giants were clocked 3:34.3 while Whitmer had a 3:42.

Ross will participate in the Mansfield Malabar Class AA sectional Saturday. Preliminary heats will be run starting at 10 a.m. Finals will begin at 1 p.m. Class AA sectional will be conducted at Malabar at the same time.

Brant announced today that another triangular has been added to the schedule for next week. Ross will travel to Lora for a meeting with two other Buckeye Conference schools—Admiral King and Mansfield.

Baseball, Track, Golf, Tennis Squads Honored

Liggins Named Top Senior Athlete At Ross High Sports Awards Night

A brilliant individual career and a sparkling high school sports year came to a close in the Ross High School cafeteria last night with the annual Spring Sports Awards Night.

The end of Tom Liggins' career as a Little Giant ended with a standing ovation as he walked to the podium to accept the Jack Baron-Tom Sherman Memorial Trophy, symbolic of being named the school's outstanding senior athlete by members of the coaching staff and administration.

"There isn't too much a person can say at a time like this," the popular Liggins said. "I just want to say thank you to all the coaches for all the things that you have done for me."

Liggins' appearance at the podium to receive the coveted trophy didn't come as a surprise to anyone in the audience.

"He is one of the finest young men I've ever known — on and off the athletic field," Ross' Athletic Director Dick Sherman said. "Ross High School can be proud of him, his parents can be very proud and so can his race. It will be a long time before we forget the accomplishments of Tom Liggins at Ross High School."

The presentation to Liggins followed ceremonies honoring the baseball, golf, tennis and track and field squads. Special awards were given in each sport and the varsity athletes who qualified also received their letters.

Little Giant head baseball coach Tom Dorman introduced his three tri-captains, Jim Fausey, Roger Hetrick and Chuck Lindsey, who helped lead the Little Giants to an 11-6 record and Class AAA sectional championship.

Lindsey, who led the squad in practically every offensive and defensive category, was also named the most valuable player. The award for the best offensive player went to Mike Lowery while Hetrick received the trophy for being the best defensive performer.

Dorman awarded letters to 14 varsity players — eight seniors, five juniors and a sophomore.

For the first time in Charlie Baker's five-year tenure as Little Giant golf coach, two players, Jim Decker and Bob Moll, were named most valuable. The two juniors played in

the number one and two positions for the Purple and White throughout the 11-3 dual meet season. The dual meet mark represented the best record in Ross links history.

Moll, by the vote of his teammates, was also named honorary captain of the squad. That honor usually goes to a senior, but there was only one senior on this year's roster and he didn't play a varsity match.

The senior — Dave Wightman — along with two juniors and a pair of sophomores received letters from Baker.

Larry Shilling, a junior, received two of the five special awards given for tennis. He was named captain and also most valuable by his teammates.

Other special tennis trophies went to Ron Kanan (most points), Jeff Wingo (most games) and Steve Frost (most improved).

Tennis coach Pete Michaels, who watched the Little Giants close their campaign at the Rodger Young Park Courts today against Port Clinton starting at 4 p.m., gave letters to four seniors, five juniors and one sophomore.

Liggins joined Ken Price at the speaker's stand to receive a captain's trophy for track and field. They were elected at the start of the season by their teammates.

A junior, Rob Lytle, who was the leading scorer on this year's squad which had a glittering 8-2 record was the most valuable track and field athlete.

Lytle was beaten only once in the 100-yard dash this spring — at the district finals last Saturday by the defending state champion, Bob Lawson of Toledo Libbey. Lytle also ran in the 220 and was a member of the Ross mile relay quartet.

Ross High Principal Duane Wamsley didn't leave the cafeteria empty-handed. He was given a sectional baseball trophy, Buckeye Conference and Northwest District golf trophies plus track and field trophies for the Fremont and Tiffin Night Relays to put in the bulging Ross trophy case.

"This has to be one of the finest overall athletic years Ross has had in a long time," Wamsley told the audience. "I think Ross is on the way back and will be a contender in all sports in the near future."

For three of the track and field participants and the four-man golf team, the season isn't over. They still have appearances in their respective state meets in Columbus this weekend.

Baseball Special Awards

Tri-Captain — Jim Fausey, Roger Hetrick and Chuck Lindsey.
Most Valuable — Chuck Lindsey.

Best Offensive Player — Mike Lowery.

Best Defensive Player — Roger Hetrick.

Letter Winners

Seniors — Al Davis, Jim Fausey, Mike Feasel, Roger Hetrick, Denny Knipp, Chuck Lindsey, Scott March and Dale Shoemaker.

Juniors — Mike Baker, Bob Brudzinski, Greg Burr, Mike Lowery and Terry Myer.

Sophomore — Mike Reardon.

Managers — Steve Billow and Greg Hamilton.

Golf Special Awards

Co-Captains — Bob Moll.

Most Valuable — Jim Decker and Bob Moll.

Senior — Dave Wightman.

Juniors — Jim Decker and Bob Moll.

Sophomores — Bucky Baumann, Rob Hall and Scott Young.

Tennis Special Awards

Captain — Larry Shilling.

Most Valuable — Larry Shilling.

Most Points — Ron Kanan.

Most Games — Jeff Wingo.

Most Improved — Steve Frost.

Letter Winners

Seniors — Steve Frost, Sherman Gibson, Scott Hiltz and Jeff Mazzacco.

Juniors — Lowell Clark, Ron Kanan, Larry Shilling, Jeff Tschumy and Jeff Winto.

Sophomore — Dave Hurless.

Track and Field Special Awards

Co-Captains — Tom Liggins and Ken Price.

Most Valuable — Rob Lytle.

Letter Winners

Seniors — Chuck Celek, Gerald Dickman, Larry Johns, Tom Liggins, Kim Michael, Jeff Porczak, Andy Sale, John Werning, Chris Widman and Kirk Stout.

Juniors — Jim Decker, Jim Fausey, Jim Hoffmann, Bob Koebel, Doug Kridler, Rob Lytle, Tom Pitts, Ken Price and Jon Sauer.

Sophomores — Jim Heislerburg, Jeff Opelt, Randy Patrick, Keith Pettiford, Randy Robertson, Terry Shearon and Tim Smith.



AMONG THE ATHLETES receiving captain's trophies at Ross High School's Spring Sports Awards Night Monday were Ken Price (track), Jim Fausey and Roger Hetrick (baseball) and Larry Shilling

(tennis). Shilling was also named the most valuable tennis player on the 1972 squad while Hetrick was declared the top defensive player on the baseball team. (News-Messenger Photo)



PRESENTATION OF MOST VALUABLE players in Ross High School spring sports was part of the Awards Night program Monday. Seated are Jim Decker (left) and Bob Moll, who were named the MVPs in golf.

Standing are Chuck Lindsey (left), the most valuable player on the baseball squad, and Rob Lytle, MVP for track and field. (News-Messenger Photo)

In SBC Baseball Bears Blast Lakota, 21-4

GIBSONBURG — Regional-bound Gibsonburg had only 14 hits but combined them with

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Liggins Honored

Tom Liggins (right) was presented with the Jack Baron-Tom Sherman Memorial Trophy during Spring Sports Awards Night at Ross High School Monday. The trophy is given at the close of each school year to the Outstanding Senior Athlete. Ross Athletic Director Dick Sherman (left) made the presentation to the versatile Liggins, who participated in football, basketball and track and field during his Ross career. (News-Messenger Photo)