

1986 Regional meet...

Kovaleski misses by one jump

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WORTHINGTON — Two Ross High School girls relays and two individuals qualified for the finals in the Class AAA regional track and field meet at Worthington High School during preliminaries Thursday.

The finals will begin at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, with the top four in each event qualifying for the state meet June 6-7 at Ohio Stadium on the campus of The Ohio State University in Columbus.

In finals Thursday, Dave Kovaleski of Ross was a miss away from qualifying for the state meet high jump. He had to settle for fifth in the event when he tied with three other jumpers at 6-6.

After one jumper cleared 6-8, the quartet with Kovaleski in it failed at that height but Kovaleski had the only miss at 6-6, relegating him to fifth. The top four finishers qualified for the state meet.

Shannon Carter ran a 14.9 in the 100 hurdles and Pam Pitts clicked off 12.6 in winning her 100-meter heat to qualify for the regional finals.

The Ross girls 400 and 800 relay teams set school records in qualifying in those events. The 400 team of Jessica Jefferson, Jennifer Rollins, Missy Provard and Pitts ran a 50.8, lowering the quartet's school record of 51.1 set in last Saturday's district meet.

The 800 squad of Carter, Rollins, Provard and Pitts turned in a 1:44.8, knocking nearly 1½ seconds off the school record of 1:46.2 set in the district meet.

Rollins did not qualify for the finals in the the long jump and the girls 1600 relay also did not make the finals.

In the boys events, Ross's 400 relay ran a 43.9 while finishing ninth, missing the finals by one-tenth of a second. The 1600 team finished 10th in 3:27.8, missing the finals by two-tenths of a second.

The Ross boys 3200 team of Brian Doty, Scott Nossaman, Dave McDonald and Pat Hetrick will run in the second heat of that event Saturday. Doty and Hetrick will also run in the open 800 that day.

Reardon tops 'A' qualifiers

Carter, girls 800 relay team to represent Ross in 'AAA'

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Joann Reardon of St. Joseph Central Catholic qualified for the Class A state track and field meet in two events during the regional meet at Lima Shawnee High School Saturday.

The top four finishers in each regional event qualified for the state meet in Columbus at Ohio Stadium on The Ohio State University Campus Friday and Saturday.

St. Joe finished fifth as a team, compiling 28 points to finish behind champion Parkway's 54, Minster with 53, Liberty-Benton with 46 and Stryker with 32.

Reardon, a senior, will compete in the 100 and 200 meter dashes. Joining Reardon from St. Joe will be hurdler Carrie Guyer, and distance runner Dorothy Colon.

Qualifying from the Class AAA regional in Worthington from Ross was Shannon Carter in the hurdles and the girls 800-meter relay team.

Reardon paced off a 12.63 in the 100 for third place and came back to take second in the 200 in 26.85.

Guyer, a freshman, finished fourth in the 300 hurdles. She was timed in 47.47.

Colon was second in the 1600 run. The St. Joe freshman finished in 5:27.57, nearly nine seconds better than her previous best at that distance this spring.

St. Joe's Elaine Gonya, running in the 400 dash, missed a state berth by two-hundredths of a seconds.

Gibsonburg had a pair of state qualifiers. Corinne Schaeffer, a senior, finished third in the long

jump, leaping 16-2¾. Junior Barb DeAngelis was fourth in the 100 hurdles in 15.39.

The Woodmore 3200 girls relay team of Merri Emch, Kricky Medon, Sheila Neeb and Lisa Brown earned a state berth with a fourth-place finish. The quartet finished in 9:48.3. The top four finishers in the race were separated by one second.

Two other Wildcat girls, Lori Kuhlman and Lisa Sandwisch, qualified. Sandwisch was second in the 100 hurdles in 15.2 and Kuhlman was fourth in the high jump, leaping 5-2.

Hope Kesler of Old Fort finished second in the high jump at 5-4.

In the boys "A" regional, Woodmore's 3200 relay team was the only qualifier. Beau Havens, Dave Wagner, Doug Shuman and

Mike Shuman turned in a Woodmore school record 8:13.4 to earn the state berth. The old school record was 8:31.

In the Class AAA meet at Worthington, Carter set a Ross team record with a 14.62 clocking while finishing third in the 100 hurdles. Terry Robinson of Columbus Northland won the race in a quick 13.5 seconds. The previous Ross record was 14.7 set by Kelly Wolfe in 1985.

The Ross 800 team of Carter, Jennifer Rollins, Missy Provard and Pam Pitts was third in 1:44.5. That broke the Ross record of 1:44.8 set Thursday during preliminaries.

Pitts was sixth in the 100 in 12.95 and the Ross 400 relay finished seventh.

No Ross boys qualified.