

Area regional track meet qualifiers

Ross had only one "regional" qualifier from its boys and girls track teams but area schools came up with their share.

Sprinter Lisa Jones finished second in the AAA 100-meter dash at Malabar in Mansfield. She ran the race in 12.5 seconds. The top four advanced to the regional next Thursday and Saturday at Mt. Vernon.

The Lady Little Giants scored second 15 points in the meet. The Ross 400-meter relay team of Lisa Luman, Darlene and Laura Starks and Jones finished fifth while Luman was ninth in the long jump and Doris Clark eighth in the 1600.

"We got a big zero," is how Ross boys Coach Norm Bray described his team's production. Hit hard by injuries, the boys did not score a point.

Tony Gant, last year's third place finish in the state meet long jump, was injured on his first jump. With a light rain falling, Gant slipped on his takeoff, landed on his side in the pit and reinjured a hamstring that had been bothering him most of the season.

Ross's other hope, distance runner Oliver Zimmerman, was out because of a "runners' knee."

Following are the area regional qualifiers:

Class A boys

Gibsonburg: Joel Davies, 300-meter low hurdles and Larry Foos, 3200-meter run. Woodmore: Derrik Paetow, long jump and high hurdles; Fork, pole vault; Mark Nedelco, 1600-meter run; Mark Sandwisch, 300-meter low hurdles.

Old Fort: Brett Fry, long jump; Dan Phillimore, high hurdles.

Class A girls

Gibsonburg: Jennifer Schroeder, high jump. Bettsville: Mindy Mowery,

1600-meter run and 800-meter run.

Old Fort: Donna Kesler, high jump and 400-meter dash; Karma Sloan, 400-meter dash.

Class AA boys

Oak Harbor: Paul Bowersox, shot put and discus; Seymour, 3200-meter run; 1600-meter relay team.

Lakota: Dave Ritter, long jump and high hurdles; Pete Gibson, pole vault; Rob McCachren, 400-meter dash; 3200-meter relay team of Paul Smith, Pat Rameric, Doug Nieset and Earl Wyant; Nieset, 3200-meter run.

Class AA girls

Lakota: Deb Dennis, shot put and discus; Kim Shull, long jump; Barb Wildman, 800-

meter run; 3200-meter relay team of Joni Bateson, Wildman, Amy Gabel and Amy Wirkner.

Oak Harbor: Annette Millie, discus and long jump; Cindy Kern, 100-meter dash; Jackie Harder, 200-meter dash; Tammy Gackstetter, hurdles; Michele Burmeister, 400-meter dash; 400, 800 and 1600 meter relays teams; Mar Hueske, high jump.

Woodmore: 3200 and 1600 meter relay teams; Jodi Lohr, high jump.

Clyde: Rhonda Kiesel, long jump; 3200, 400, 800 and 1600 meter relay teams; Jackie Hammer, 400-meter dash; Gray, 200-meter dash.

Collins back in AAA action

TOLEDO — Matt Collins is the lone Ross tennis player surviving in the Toledo Class AAA Sectional at Bowman Park.

Collins, seeded number one in singles, led Mike Harlow of Maumee three games to zero when rain halted his second round match Saturday. The first day of the tourney, Friday, had been washed out by the rain.

The Ross senior was to resume his match against Harlow at 9 a.m. this morning.

In the first round, Collins defeated Steve Schwartz of Southview in straight 6-0 sets.

In other Ross singles, Bob Lopez defeated Rob Campbell of Anthony Wayne 6-2, 6-0 in his first round match and then advanced when Chris Conway of Perrysburg defaulted to

him with the match tied at 2-2. Lopez lost in the third round to Pete Goddard of Bowling Green 6-0 and 6-1.

Kurt Swartzlander received a forfeit from Dave Fiedler of Vermillion in the first round but lost to second seeded Gary Burkart of St. Francis 6-0, 6-0 in the second round.

In doubles play, Ross Paulson and John Ickes of Ross defeated Brian Arbaugh and John Sprenger of St. Francis 6-1 and 6-3 before losing in the second round to the top seeded duo of Andy Keller and Jim Jones of Southview. The Ross pair pushed Keller and Jones before losing 7-6, 5-3 in the tie-breaker, and 6-1.

Dave Miller and Chris Shirvis, Ross's second court doubles team, lost to Greg Rinehart and Eric Stegman of Perrysburg in the first round 7-5 and 7-5.

