

Buckeye tennis and track meets

Ross's boys tennis and track teams will hit the road Saturday to take part in the Buckeye Conference meets in both sports.

The tennis competition in the eight-team field will be hosted by Elyria. Play in Elyria will begin at 9 a.m. and will be on three courts at three different sites.

In the pre-tournament seeding, the Little Giants had one singles player and both doubles teams seeded.

Denny Mierke, the Little Giant's number three singles player for Coach Lee Dalling was seeded third and will battle Jack Mazze of Admiral King in the first round of the point system tournament.

Ross's top two singles players, Dave and Stuart Dorsky did not fare well in the drawing. Both will battle the top seeded players in the singles. Dave will take on Gwil Evans of Findlay in a first courts single match while Stuart battles Mike Moundry, also of Findlay, in the second singles.

Scott Sachs and Mike Fahrbach, Ross's first court doubles and Todd Michaels and Tom Marroquin, the second doubles team.

drew the tourney's number four seeds.

Sachs and Fahrbach will be challenged by Mark Cole and Bob Guzik of Admiral King while the Michaels-Marroquin combo will face Jim Gray and John Weakas of Elyria.

The track and field men of Coach Ron Brant will be at Marion Harding for the conference meet.

The preliminaries in the running events and the field events will begin at 1:30 p.m. while the running event finals will begin at 3:30.

Brant rates Marion Harding as the team to beat but feels the Prexies will get a strong challenge from Sandusky and Findlay. Elyria and Ross are expected to fight it out for the fourth spot.

The Ross coach pointed out several events where he feels his team will do well. Both hurdles races could have high Ross finishes with Mitch Clayton, the Ross school record holder, and Dan DeLeon in the battle. In the lows, Clayton and Jeff Brown are expected to finish high.

Brown is also rated as one of the top three in the long jump. The Ross junior is also expected to play an integral part in both the 880 and the mile relays.

Brant says that he may load up his 880 relay with Brown, DeLeon, Terry Bates, and Mike Cozette while the mile relay team's success will depend a great deal on the injured leg of Randy Hammer.

The foursome of Hammer, Brown, Bates, and DeLeon have clicked off a 3:25.0 in the mile and could finish in the top spot. Brant said that both Sandusky (3:24.6) and Elyria (3:27.0) are the teams to beat in that race.

Hammer, if his leg is alright, could do well in the 440. DeLeon is also given a shot at a high finish in the 220.

In the distance race, Mark Boedecker, who finished fifth as a sophomore last year, could do well in the two-mile run.

In the field events, Rick Kuzmer, third in the discus in '76, figures to be in the running for the top spot in that event while Tim Simms should be in the top three in the high jump.

Two records, but Ross finishes 6th

MARION — Fremont Ross set two school records and ended the day with a win but managed only a sixth place finish in the Buckeye Conference Boys Track Meet here Saturday.

Mansfield Senior used its sprinters to run away to a surprisingly easy win in the eight-team meet. The Tygers rolled up 115 points to second place Findlay's 81 and host Harding's 66. Elyria was fourth with 65 while Sandusky, winner of 12 previous conference meets, finished in fifth with 57.

Rounding out the field was Ross with 39, Admiral King with 33, and Lorain with 8.

Dan DeLeon breezed to a 14.3 clocking in the high hurdles and Jeff Brown speeded to a 19.6 in the low hurdles to establish new school marks for the Little Giants. Both Ross hurdlers finished third in the finals.

DeLeon's time was four-tenths of a second under the Ross record for the 120-yard distance. Mitch Clayton had established the old mark earlier this season.

Brown's record was three-tenths of a second better than Ken Price's old mark which was set in 1972.

The Little Giants' only first place in the meet was in the final event, the mile relay. DeLeon, normally the anchor of the race, led off the relay and as Coach Ron Brant termed it, held Ross about even with runners from Elyria, Mansfield, and Sandusky.

Brown, running the second leg, opened up a lead for Ross and Randy Hammer and anchorman Terry Bates held that edge for the Ross win. The Little Giants' team was clocked in 3:25.2, seven-tenths of a second faster than Elyria. Mansfield was third in the race at 3:26.8.

In other Ross finishes, Rick Kusmer was third in the

discus with a heave of 141-2 and he also took sixth in the shot put with a put of 46-3½.

Tim Simms was sixth for Ross in the high jump, clearing the bar at six-feet. The 880-relay team was sixth and Jeff McCormick ran a 2:07.9 for sixth in the 880 run.

Mark Boedecker ran a 10:12.2 for third in the two-mile run, an improvement of two places over his finish in the '76 meet.

Mansfield picked up first places by Larry Bradley with a 12-6 pole vault in the field events. The Tyger sprinters, however, stole the show.

Ivan Peoples won the 100 and 220 dashes in 9.7 and 22.2, respectively. Teammate Cliff Belmer was second in the century with a 9.71 clocking.

The Tygers also won the 880-relay and took seconds in the 440, high hurdles, and long jump.

TEAM STANDINGS

Mansfield	115	Sandusky	57
Findlay	81	Fremont Ross	39
Marion Harding	66	Admiral King	33
Elyria	65	Lorain	8

FIELD EVENTS

LONG JUMP: Don Bunker (Mar) 21-10; Ivan Peoples (Man) 21-10; Curt Helm (E) 21-4½; HIGH JUMP: Clyde Lutsch (Mar) 6-4; Lee Svete (AK) 6-2; Feagin (Man) 6-2; SHOT PUT: Al LaForrest (F) 49-3¾; Keith Grohe (S) 49-1; Cliff Belmer (Man) 46-10; DISCUS: Tim Dillon (F) 153-8; Dave Murphy (S) 143-8; Rick Kusmer (R) 141-2; POLE VAULT: Larry Bradley (Man) 12-6; Steve Mills (F) 12-6; Glen Redding (S) 12-0.

RUNNING EVENTS

HIGH HURDLES: Vaughn Shores (E) 14.1; Delray Feagan (Man) 14.2; Dan DeLeon (R) 14.3; 100: Peoples (Man) 9.7; Belmer (Man) 9.71; Mel Henderson (Mar) 9.9; MILE: Randy Mowery (F) 4:27.6; Dave Cook (AK) 4:29.8; Dean Stewart (Mar) 4:36.6; 880 RELAY: Mansfield, 1:29.1; Sandusky, 1:30.8; Admiral King, 1:31.4; 440: Charles Corn (E) 50.6; Mike Davis (Man) 50.6; Steve Lamp (F) 51.2; LOW HURDLES: Shores (E) 19.37; Paul Green (S) 19.5; Jeff Brown (R) 19.6; 880: Cook (AK) 1:57.6; Scott Dufford (F) 2:03.0; Phil Kunkel (F) 2:04.4; 220: Peoples (Man) 22.2; Dan Scott (E) 22.4; Henderson (Mar) 22.5; TWO MILE: Mowery (F) 9:53.3; Stewart (Mar) 10:06.3; Mark Boedecker (R) 10:12.2; MILE RELAY: Ross (DeLeon, Brown, Randy Hammer and Bates), 3:25.2; Elyria, 3:25.9; Mansfield, 3:26.8.

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AK nips Elyria for BC girls title



STEPHANIE BROWN finished fourth in the long jump for Ross. She cleared 15-7 1/2 on this try. (N-M photos by Bob Marker)

Admiral King finished second in the final event, the mile relay, to score just enough points to win the first Buckeye Conference Track Meet by one-half point over Elyria.

The Admirals won six events in racking up 103 1/2 points to 103 for Elyria. Ross was third in the inaugural meet held at Harmon Stadium Saturday with a distant 67 points.

Rounding out the eight-team field were Marion Harding in fourth, followed by Findlay, Sandusky, Lorain, and Mansfield. All times and distances in the meet will go down as records because it was the initial meet for Buckeye Conference teams. There were, however, four Harmon

Stadium records set, three standards were turned in by Admiral King runners. The other belonged to Elyria.

Sheila Winston dashed to an 11.1 in the hurdles and Karmetta Folmar blazed to an 11.1 in the 100-yard dash. Folmar also speeded to a 25.6 clocking in the 220 for the third new Harmon Stadium record.

Elyria's mile relay team ran to a 4:10.3 for the fourth new stadium mark. The old records were 11.4 by Bev Scott in 1974 in the hurdles and 11.2 in the 100 held by Folmer (1976), and Jenny Gill (1973) of Clyde. In the 220, Folmar broke the mark of 27.0 set by her teammate and second place finisher in this meet in the race, Mary Crisp. The old 220

mark was set just last year. Ross's only first place came in the 800 where Lisa Meek took the lead at the start of the gun lap and finished 10 yards ahead of Lizann Bollinger of Marion Harding. Meek's time for the race was 2:35.3.

Ross got second place performances from Lori Lawrence in the discus, Jerri Carper in the shot put, and Debbie Clark in the mile run.

Stephanie Brown had Ross's only third place with a 11.7 in the 100.

Elyria won four events including the mile relay. Admiral King, which had to finish lower than second for Elyria to win, finished second in the long relay in 4:18.3.



LORI LAWRENCE of Ross watches as her discus sails during the competition at Harmon Stadium Saturday. She finished second in the event.

News-Messenger Sports news

Horton blasts sink Royals

By HERSCHEL NISSENON

AP Sports Writer
Texas slugger Willie Horton, who promised to "get" Kansas City catcher Darrell Porter following a May 7 brawl, settled instead for three Royals pitchers.

With Porter behind the plate and calling for all the wrong pitches, Horton, the Rangers' bury designated hitter, nailed Paul Splittorff, Doug Bird and Marty Pattin for one home run apiece in Texas' 7-3 victory Sunday. He added a sacrifice fly and drove in five runs.

The power display gave Horton eight home runs for the season, six against the Royals. And Horton had a logical explanation.

"They're all we've been playing. We haven't played anybody else," he said. Actually, Texas has played seven of its last 10 games against Kansas City.

ANGELS 8, YANKEES 2
Frank Tanana's designated hit man is

still at it. Joe Rudi drove in two runs with a single and triple as Tanana became the AL's first six-game winner with a five-hit, 10-strikeout performance. Rudi has collected 19 of his league-leading 35 RBIs, hit six home runs and batted .417 in Tanana's nine starts.

INDIANS 4, WHITE SOX 3
Johnny Grubb drilled a triple and two singles to back the pitching of Dennis Eckersley, Don Hood and Jim Kern. Grubb led off the second inning with a single when the Indians scored three unearned runs and he tripled to open the eighth, with pinch runner Paul Dade scoring on a single by Buddy Bell.

TIGERS 5-2, BREWERS 3-3
Don Money's squeeze bunt single scored Steve Brye with one out in the 10th inning as Milwaukee won the opener. The Tigers won the 10-inning opener as Steve Kemp's two-run double broke a 3-3 tie.

Four School of Hope winners

Eleven swimmers from the School of Hope and Sandco Industries participated in the annual State Special Olympics Swimming Championships Saturday, with four gold medals being awarded to the local swimmers.

Earning gold medals were Julie Smith in the 25-yard freestyle and 25-yard backstroke, Tom Celek in the 25-yard freestyle and Jay Willmeth in the 25-yard freestyle.

Winning third place Bronze medals were Paul Britner, Mark Rusch and Sarah Vandford in the 25-yard freestyle

and Celek and Maureen Obregon in the 25-yard backstroke.

Those earning participation medals included Ronnie Geyer, fourth place; Maureen Obregon, sixth; Barb Penza, fourth; Emede Silva, fourth; Beth Riccardi, fourth in the 25-yard freestyle; Emede Silva, fourth in the 25-yard backstroke, and Jay Willmeth, fifth in the 50-yard freestyle.

The swimmers were accompanied by Mrs. Peggy Bauders, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill, Mrs. Donna Martin and driver Mrs. Ellen Johnson.



DONNA HETRICK OF ROSS HURLS THE SHOT

Houston jolts 76ers

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The Philadelphia 76ers have learned that words sometimes speak louder than actions.

The Houston Rockets apparently were more upset by what was being said about them than they were over the 3-1 deficit they faced in their best-of-seven National Basketball Association Eastern Conference championship.

Houston Coach Tom Nissalke said "pride" was the key to his team's 118-115 triumph over the 76ers Sunday, which sent the series back to Houston for a sixth game Tuesday night. The Rockets retaliated like wounded animals, clawing back from a third-period, 17-point deficit.

John Lucas, the Rockets' quarterback, spoke of

the court. All I know is that we're 3-2."

And Rudy Tomjanovich added, "George McGinnis said, 'There is no way we can lose this series. Hey, I wouldn't put his whole contract on that. If basketball was as predictable as that it wouldn't be a sport.'"

Nissalke referred to a story quoting the 76ers' Steve Mix as belittling Houston's 6-foot-10 center, Moses Malone.

"Contrary to what Mix said, Moses is a pretty good player," Nissalke said. "I thought his (Mix) remarks were dumb. Moses is the best rebounder in the league. We know about the Sixers' weaknesses, but we don't talk about them. I thought it was ridiculous on Steve's part."

Lucas, Tomjanovich,

that game," said Nissalke. "We're the best shooting team in the league. And our rebounding (a 50-40 edge) also was a key factor. And they had three guys in foul trouble (McGinnis, Doug Collins and Caldwell Jones)."

Philadelphia Coach Gene Shue was upset about blowing a game the 76ers appeared to have in the bag.

"I didn't want to go back to Houston," Shue lamented. "This was a game we really wanted to win."

McGinnis, who scored 11 points, grabbed 14 rebounds and handed out four assists despite a groin injury that required a pregame cortisone shot, said the 76ers simply were overconfident.

Julius Erving made no excuses. He really didn't

BC girls results

TEAM STANDINGS			
Admiral King	103 1/2	Findlay	41
Elyria	103	Sandusky	28
Ross	67	Lorain	24 1/2
Harding	51	Mansfield	8

FIELD EVENTS			
LONG JUMP: Betsy Rucan (E) 16-7, Gloria Barbee (E) 16-5 1/2, Sara Ringle (F) 15-8 1/2, Roni Price (R) 15-7 1/2, Stephanie Brown (R) 15-7 1/2, Wendy Rodgers (AK) 15-4.			
HIGH JUMP: Teri Warden (E) 4-11, Jeanette Henson (S) 4-11, Joanne Hinkler (E) 4-10, (tie) Chris Peneagall (L) and Lori Rensch (F) 4-10, (tie) Melanie Dobbins (AK) and Julie Mosser (R) 4-8.			
DISCUS: Candy Barthill (F) 96-4, Lori Lawrence (R) 90-5, Tammy Strawn (E) 94-8, Ringle (F) 92-10, Natalie Findley (S) 92-5, Harriet Bonas (H) 92-2.			
SHOT PUT: Renee Johnson (S) 35-6 3/4, Jerri Carper (R) 33-4, Margo Hignetham (AK) 33-4, Melanie Dobbins (AK) 31-6 1/2, Donna Hetrick (R) 31-5, Tammy Porter (E) 31-2.			
RUNNING EVENTS			
HURDLES: Sheila Winston (AK) 11-1, Betty Halburton (E) 11-3, Elexia Suttles (AK) 11-5, Doris Wilmington (L) 11-5, Price (R) 11-5, Chris Collins (H) 12-2.			
MEDLEY RELAY: Admiral King (S. Hignetham, Brenda Edwards, Carla Wix, Wendy Rogers) 1:53.1, Elyria 1:55.7, Harding 1:56.4, Lorain 1:59.3, Sandusky 2:00.8, Ross 2:01.7.			
800: Karmetta Folmar (AK) 11-7, Stacy McMiller (AK) 11-7, Stephanie Brown (R) 11-7, Gloria Barbee (E) 11-8, Lily Kurpanik (F) 11-9, Jackie Mullen (R) 12-0.			
MILE RUN: Julie Ashworth (H) 5:28.3, Deb Clark (R) 5:41.8, Lizann Bollinger (H) 5:48.4, Dey Clark (R) 6:09.4, Laverne Allgood (E) 6:10.9, Laura Leteman (F) 6:16.7.			
800 RELAY: Admiral King (M. Crisp, Winston, S. Hignetham, K. Folmar) 1:46.2, Elyria 1:47.6, Lorain 1:54.6, Ross 1:55.3, Findlay 1:55.4, Harding 1:56.5.			
440: Rhonda Ransom (E) 1:10.4, Georgiana Butterworth (H) 1:02.2, (tie) Sarah Herald (L) and Jeanette Henson (S) 1:03.7, Pam Walton (AK) 1:03.8, Price (R) 1:04.5.			
440 RELAY: Admiral King (Edwards, Nix, Rogers, Crisp) 51.2, Elyria 51.3, Mansfield 51.5, Ross 54.4, Findlay 54.4, Sandusky 56.5.			
800 RUN: Lisa Meek (R) 2:35.3, Bollinger (H) 2:37.0, Tammy Bender (H) 2:38.3, Chris Vah (E) 2:40.5, Deb Clark (R) 2:42.9, Bellamy (F) 2:42.2.			
220: Folmar (AK) 25.6, Crisp (AK) 27.0, Mullen (R) 27.5, Kurpanik (F) 28.5, Sandra Carr (H) 28.6, Yvonne Fitzpatrick (L) 28.7.			
MILE RELAY: Elyria (Halburton, Brown, Rucan, Ransom) 4:10.3, Admiral King 4:18.3, Findlay 4:25.8, Harding 4:29.3, (tie) Ross and Lorain 4:29.9.			