

2015 SEASON REVIEW

ROUNDUP

The Fremont Ross wrestling team edged out Findlay Wednesday night, winning the dual match 30-28.

Evan Franks (138 pounds) and Ethan Hetrick (145) each won their matches by pin.

Garrett Barth (160), Ivan Franks (170), Keiler Foster (195) and Shaun Newsome all won by points. Elijah Fuller (285) picked up a win by forfeit.

Ross wrestlers take 2nd at weekend tournament

Staff report

The Fremont Ross wrestling team finished a close second out of 31 teams competing in the J.C. Gorman Invitational over the weekend.

The Little Giants finished with 195.5 points, just shy of Lexington's 198. Bellevue took sixth with 122 points.

The Little Giants were led by Tray-

vion Scott (113 pounds), Rico Puente (126), Jordan Weissinger (152) and Stefan Johnson (170) each of whom finished third in their respective weight classes.

Lamonte Chapman (106) and Tyler Grine (145) both finished fourth while Daniel McAfee (120) and Kieler Foster (182) each took fifth-place finishes and Garret Barth was sixth at 160 pounds.

Ross trying to catch up to Oak Harbor

Little Giants fall to Rockets, but defeat Clyde

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FREMONT — The Fremont Ross wrestling team wants to be where Oak Harbor is: A program with depth, toughness and difficult to beat.

The Rockets showed the Little Giants just what it will take to be join their level, as Oak Harbor topped Ross 40-26 in a dual meet Thursday.

“We want to wrestle these great programs and we’ll continue to wrestle the best programs we can so they can realize you can’t do crappy moves on good

kids,” Ross coach Chad Long said. “You can do it on average kids but you can’t do against good kids on good programs. We’re competing but we’re not finishing and that’s where we have to get to.”

Prior to its match with Ross, Oak Harbor rolled over Amherst Steele 64-18 where the Rockets only lost three matches, two of which were forfeits.

Oak Harbor coach George Bergman liked the toughness his team showed, particularly in the win over Ross.

“The kids wrestled hard and they gave it everything

they had,” Bergman said. “Ross is a real solid program. Our guys hustled and lot of them just found a way to win. They hung in there and kept battling and came out on top.”

Jeremy Balboa (138 pounds), Ben Peterson (152) and Kian Thompson (170), each won both of their matches by pins. Dylan Mansor (120), Stephen Simkus (182), Dylan Thorp (195) and Brandon Garber (185) all picked up two victories, either by pin, decision or forfeit.

Bergman also liked Pey-

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ton Salyers' 4-2 overtime win over Ross' Bryce Moreno.

"I was real pleased," Bergman said of Salyers. "I thought he showed a lot of guts and that was a key match in that dual meet."

Ross opened its day by doing something it hadn't done in about 30 years: Beating Clyde in a dual. The Little Giants lost only two contested flights in a 53-18 win over the Fliers.

"We came out strong against Clyde," Long said. "They're not the Clyde team of normal but we got over the big hump, I don't think we've beaten Clyde, the coaches were talking earlier, since the early 80s, I think."

Lamonte Chapman (106), Mason Gluth (113), Rico Puente (126), Ethan Hetick (132) and Jordan Weissinger (152, 160) all won both of their match-

es. Tyler Grine (145) won both his matches via pinfall.

"Tyler Grine has taken his level to another spot up," Long said. "He may be our person to get down to state, he's had to improve and improve and improve and he's doing a great job of that right now."

After losing to Ross, Clyde rebounded. The Fliers overcame an early deficit in the match to come back and defeat Amherst Steele 42-38.

Austin Baker (160), Ryan Kelly (182) and Collin Mange (285) all won twice on the night for the Fliers.

"We're inexperienced and we're young, so we're up against a wall with Fremont who has some older, more-experienced kids," Clyde coach Bob Blackman said. "We came out hard against Amherst and got some momentum going."

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