

2007-2008 Season Review (games obtained through other papers)

Kilpatrick's play, outside shooting propels BG to win

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Bowling Green had the inside-outside scoring working Friday night pulling away from Fremont Ross in the fourth quarter to post a 65-50 victory. It was the Bobcats' season opener.

BG got 20 points from 6-foot-5 senior Conner Kilpatrick inside and also had four different players combine for nine 3-pointers. Kilpatrick was 8-of-11 from the field and 4-of-6 from the free-throw line. Tony Dible, four 3-pointers, and Patrick Graham, three 3-pointers, each added 16 points.

"When you look at Bowling Green it's going to be fundamental. It's going to have good height. It's going to be physical and they are going to shot the basketball," Fremont Ross head coach Mark Gedeon, a BGHS graduate, said. "If you leave those shooters open they are going to make you hurt ... They were hitting on some good cylinders tonight."

The Bobcats went to Kilpatrick to start the game and he responded with BG's first eight points. He added eight points in the fourth quarter, converting two three-point plays.

"We tried to deny the ball to him early and if not we tried to work out way behind him and try to push him out a little bit farther than he wanted to be," Gedeon said.

For Kilpatrick with the quick start, his teammates continued to get him the ball.

"If I start good, I guess it keeps going," Kilpatrick said.

Dible's off-balance 3-pointer at the first

quarter buzzer put BG up 17-15. The Bobcats were up 31-28 at halftime and 43-38 after three quarters.

Ross was still within 42-37 with 3:18 to play before BG on a 13-1 run. Kilpatrick converted his two three-point plays during the run, the second one off a set in-bounds play from under the basket with Dible driving the lane and then finding Kilpatrick.

"They were playing with us and then we finally pulled away," Kilpatrick said. "It was a good win."

Graham had two free throws and a basket in the late run, Dible made two free throws and Matt Vannett, who finished with 14 points, added a free throw. BG was 7-of-8 from the free-throw line in the fourth quarter and 10-of-14 for the game.

"Matt showed some leadership tonight that was incredible," BG head coach Von Graffin said. "He knows what he wants. He's vocal. He's a coach on the floor."

The Bobcats used only seven players in the game because of an injury and a disciplinary issue.

"Matt and Conner didn't get in foul trouble. That's huge those guys can play those kind of minutes without getting in foul trouble," Graffin said.

"I'm dead tired. I was hurting in the second half," Kilpatrick said.

Ryan Croudup-Levario led Ross with 17 points.

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Bobcats—

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"I thought we had a great amount of energy throughout the game and executed the game plan very well with the exception of leaving certain

people open," Gedeon said.

Ross won the junior varsity game 55-37. Derek Weickert scored 11 points for Ross. Trevor Eckert led BG with 10 points and Michael Sommers scored nine.

BOYS

BGHS 65, FREMONT ROSS 50

FREMONT ROSS

Fleming, 2-1-2-9; Jones, 3-0-6; Croudup-Levarion, 7-3-17; Weickert, 4-1-9; House, 1-0-2; Walker, 0-0-0; Damman, 2-0-4; Gamble, 0-0-0; Carnicom, 0-1-0-3. TOTALS: 19-2-6—50.

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Stoner, 1-1-0-5; Dible, 1-4-2-16; Graham, 2-3-3-16; Kilpatrick, 8-4-20; Vannett, 2-1-5; Fintel, 0-1-0-3; Taylor, 0-0-0. TOTALS: 14-9-10—65.

FREMONT ROSS

	15	13	10	12	—50
BGHS	17	14	12	22	—65

Junior varsity: Ross, 55-37.

FREMONT ROSS 57, SANDUSKY 49

FREMONT — Ryan Croudup-Levario scored 18 points for Fremont Ross and Cole Prophet led Sandusky with 24.

WHITMER 61, FREMONT ROSS 44

Antwan Willis scored 18 points and grabbed nine rebounds to pace 4-0 Whitmer. Ryne Smith added 16 points.

Ryan Croudup-Levario led visiting Fremont Ross with 21.

Willard 78, Fremont Ross 43

WILLARD — Fremont Ross shot only 32 percent from the field to Willard's 63 percent. Jordan Barnett led Willard with 21 points. Deidrick added 16 points and grabbed 6 boards.

Fremont Ross	6	12	10	15	—	43
Willard	23	16	15	23	—	78

Fremont Ross (43)

Dontaviyon Fleming 2 0 6, Anthony Walker 2 1 5, Ryan Damman 1 0 2, Jordan Jones 1 0 2, Shunnar Gamble 1 0 2, Ryan Croudup-Levario 6 0 12, Andrew House 5 4 14. Totals 18-56 5-9 43.

WILLARD (78)

Jordan Barnett 4 10 21, Sylvester Nino 1 0 2, Kory Phillips 3 0 6, Eric Danhoff 1 1 3, Brandon Cochran 1 3 6, Curtis Baker 2 0 4, Nate Benich 2 0 4, Kevin Deidrick 6 4 16, Matt Hamons 2 0 4, Jake Buss 4 4 12. Totals 26-41 22-33 78.

TEAM STATISTICS

3-pointers — Ross 2 (Fleming); Willard 4 (Barnett 3, Cochran 1). Rebounds — Ross 22; Willard 33 (Nino 6, Deidrick 6).

Turnovers — Ross 15; Willard 20. Records — Willard 6-4 (3-2). Next — Tiffin Columbian at Willard, Friday. JV — Willard 59-39.

■ **Mansfield Senior's T.J. Lindsay** was selected the District 6 Player of the Year. The 6-foot-2 senior averages 16.9 points 5.1 rebounds, 3.5 assists and 2.5 steals a game.

■ **Mansfield Senior's Di'Nero Ramseur** averages 15.6 points and 7.6 rebounds. The senior forward was a District 6 first-teamer.

■ **Ashland senior Taylor Housewright** averages 14 points 5.4 rebounds and 3.7 assists.

■ **Sandusky's Cole Prophet**, a 5-foot-5 senior, is the top scorer in the Willard super sectional, averaging almost 23 points a game.

■ **Fremont Ross senior Ryan Croudup-Levario** averages 17.7 points a game.



Housewright

FINDLAY 57, FREMONT 53

FINDLAY — Jeff Cole nailed three of four free throws in the final minute for the Trojans.

Luke Kraus led Findlay (6-2, 3-1 Greater Buckeye) with 22 points and Garrett Bugay contributed 10.

Ryan Croudup-Levario scored 22 points for Fremont (2-8, 1-3).

Harding-Fremont Ross

FREMONT — Fremont Ross reached its season high in points scored as the Little Giants defeated Harding 70-47 in Greater Buckeye Conference play.

Harding (3-9 overall, 1-3 GBC) led 13-12 after the first quarter but Fremont Ross (3-8, 2-3) gained control, outscoring the Presidents 21-12 in the second quarter and then 19-10 in the third stanza.

Ryan Croudup-Levario paced Fremont Ross with 25 points while Ryan Damman added 14 for the Little Giants.

Kyle Oney connected for 12 points to lead Harding while Marvin Owens knocked in 10 points.

Fremont Ross earned a 45-40 overtime win in the JV contest. Shaquille Smith dropped in 16 points for Harding while Zack Smith finished with 11.

Spartans thump Fremont

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LIMA — For a quarter, it looked like Fremont Ross might hang with Lima Senior in boys basketball on Thursday night.

But then it quickly became clear the Little Giants' personnel couldn't match the Spartans man for man. And they couldn't match up against their man-to-man press, either, when Lima Senior rolled to a 75-56 win.

Dravon Tyson scored 17 points, Anton Hutchins added 16 and Tyrone Perry had 12 points for Lima Senior (7-6, 4-2 Greater Buckeye Conference). Ryan Croudup-Levario scored 19 points for Ross (3-9, 2-4 GBC).

Lima Senior, which has struggled to shoot 40 percent in some games this season, hit 64 percent on field goals (32 of 50) and was a 71-percent shooting team the last three quarters.

The fuel for that fire was 26 Fremont Ross turnovers. Twenty-six turnovers that Lima Senior often turned into easy shots.

"We took away the trap (after the first quarter) and went to a straight man-to-man and tried to make them handle the basketball," Lima Senior coach Shawn Allen said. "Those two kids out front, Robert Thompson and Cortez Edwards, can sit down on people. We kept telling the kids we were going to wear them down and that's what happened.

"They had trouble getting into anything they wanted to get into," he said about Fremont Ross' offensive problems.

The Little Giants jumped out to a 20-12 lead in the first quarter, the only quarter in which they weren't tormented by turnovers.

By halftime, Lima Senior was in front 31-28. After Fremont Ross tied the game at 33-33, the Spartans went on a 12-0 run to go in front 45-33. They never led by fewer than 10 points the rest of the way, even though their season scoring leader Hutchins picked up his fourth foul late in the third quarter.

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DEAN BROWN • The Lima News

Lima Senior's Dravon Tyson shoots under the Fremont Ross defense in a Greater Buckeye Conference game at Lima Senior on Thursday.

SPARTANS • from C1

"When we can create pressure, we can get shots in transition," Allen said about the Spartans' good shooting. "The game plan the first part of the game was to throw the ball inside and get something started there."

Lima Senior ended a three-game losing streak with the win. It also left them one game back in the loss column behind Napoleon (5-1 in the GBC) and Findlay (4-1 in the GBC).

"It's been a tough week of practice and about the only thing that fixes

our problem is a win. That at least gets us going and we can enjoy this one. We're still not out of the conference yet. Everybody has to play everybody else and we still have Findlay twice," Allen said.

Lima Senior's next game will be at Lima Central Catholic on Saturday night.

"Obviously, Saturday night is a huge game for the city of Lima," he said.

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ROGERS 76, FREMONT ROSS 64

Dalante Heard scored 20 points, Traymore Camak added 17 and Hazen Bishop 11 for the Rams, who led 41-24 at the half. Ryan Croudup-Levario scored 31 for Fremont Ross.

Harding closes out regular season with overtime win

Marion Star Staff Reports

MARION — Shawn Dyer's two free throws with 10 seconds left in overtime gave Harding a 64-62 regular-season ending victory over Fremont Ross.

Dyer's charity tosses capped an outstanding effort from the stripe as he sank 13 of his 16 attempts en route to a team-high 19 points.

Being tied at the end of a quarter was norm in the Greater Buckeye Conference contest. Fremont Ross (4-16 overall, 2-8 GBC) led 16-12 at the end of the first quarter but Harding (5-15-2-8) came back in the second stanza to tie the game at 26.

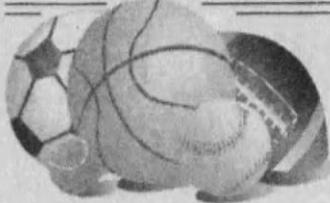
Each team scored 13 points in the third quarter and 15 markers in the fourth frame.

In addition to his point total, Dyer added 12 rebounds and four assists. Kyle Oney helped out the Presidents' offensive attack with 18 points while Kory Kirkpatrick chipped in with 11.

Ryan Croudup-Levario had a game-high 24 points for Fremont Ross.

Harding won the JV game 41-28. Steve Rogers led the Presidents 14 points while Shaquille Smith counted 12. Darien Spann and Marc Bolen each had six points for Fremont Ross.

Local **Roundup**



Highland (10-11) held a 14-point lead early in the third quarter but Ridgedale, led by Weston, stormed back to take the lead.

Held to just two points in the first half, Weston tallied 21 points over the next two quarters..

The Scots took advantage of their free throw chances, connecting on 20-of-25 from the foul stripe.

Geiger finished with a game-high 32 points while Craig Walter posted 10 points.

Weston notched 23 points for the Rockets with Levi Lutz earning 10 points.

Highland will meet Bloom-Carroll at 6:15 p.m. Saturday at Mount Vernon.

MARCA-Hancock County

MARION — The MARCA Hawks varsity pulled out a 92-89 overtime victory over Hancock County.

Jimmy Lambert led the Hawks with 26 points while Shaquille Cochran notched 18 and Brad Arthur added 17.

In the JV game it was MARCA earning a 61-44 victory. Rob Christian totaled 29 to lead the Hawks and David Masur contributed 20.

Girls

Greater Buckeye Conference

First team: Anton Hutchins, soph., Lima Senior; Ryan Fleck, sr., Napoleon; Ryan Croudup-Levario, sr., Fremont Ross; Shaun Dyer, soph., Marion Harding; Cole Prophet, sr., Sandusky.

Second team: Kyle Oney, sr., Marion Harding; Kevin Krucki, jr., Findlay; West Hesterman, sr., Napoleon; Dongale Long, sr., Lima Senior; Martell Brown, sr., Sandusky.

Player of the year: Luke Kraus, jr., Findlay.

Coach of the year: Greg Merrill, Napoleon.