

Fremont Night Relays review

Ross Invitational Relays set Friday

Track relays are on the slate for Friday and Saturday of this week. On Friday the 14th Annual Fremont Ross Invitational Night Relays will be run at Harmon Stadium while on Saturday the Seventh Annual Clyde Invitational Relays will be run.

Five teams will make up the field at Ross which includes the host Little Giants, winners of the last seven Night Relays in a row. Joining Ross will be Bowling Green, Toledo Scott, Bellevue, and Tiffin Columbian.

The first event, the pole vault will begin at 5 p.m. with running events starting at 7 p.m.

Toledo Scott, Bowling Green, Tiffin Columbian, Maumee, and Ross will enter girls teams in the Relays. The softball throw for the girls will begin at 5 p.m. and the running events at 7 p.m.

Advance tickets for the Relays are now on sale at Tremper's. Adult tickets are \$1.50 while students are \$1.

Should rain force the meet to be delayed, the rain date is for the next day, Saturday, April 20.

Field events at Clyde will begin at 4 p.m. with the running events starting at 6:30. Six teams are entered including Clyde, Norwalk, Oak Harbor, Port Clinton, Upper Sandusky, and Woodmore.

Clyde is the defending champ with Woodmore the champion in 1971-72. Norwalk won the first two Relays in 1968-69 while Clyde won its first crown in 1970.

Girls teams entered are Clyde, Gibsonburg, Norwalk, Port Clinton, and Woodmore. This will be the first year for the girls in the Clyde Relays.

Tickets for the Saturday Relays are \$1.50 for adults and \$.75 for students.

Rain date has been set for April 22.

Two Night Relays records set 8th straight for Ross



STEVE GOWITZKA ON THE WAY UP
... Ross letterman helped win pole vault

River Downs hearing set

CINCINNATI, Ohio (AP) — A May 26th hearing has been set for the River Downs controversy. The hearing was moved up from mid-summer at the request of the Ohio Racing Commission. The change was made by Judge William S. Mathews of the Hamilton County Common Pleas Court, according to Thomas E. Turk, an assistant state attorney general representing the commission. The date change was not contested by attorneys for River Downs officials. Racing dates for 1974 were originally refused by the commission, but a January decision by Mathews overturned the racing panel. The controversy stems from the sale of the track to Mrs. Joy C. Tweel of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., who in turn leased it back to former owner Andre Andreoli, an Akron financier. A loan of \$6 million to Mrs. Tweel from the Teamsters Union pension fund clouded the sale, according to the commission.

Winning relays is becoming "old hat" for Fremont Ross, especially the school's own Fremont Night Invitational Relays.

Held for the 14th time at Harmon Field Stadium, the Little Giants claimed their eighth straight Relays win. The win was preserved by a 30-yard win in the final event of the night, the mile relay.

In the girls portion of the Relays, Toledo Scott edged Ross, 28-26. Girls events were added to the Relays for the first time this year so for the seven events run, all seven went down as new records.

Ross won the boys meet with 45 points while Bowling Green was second with 38 markers. Toledo Scott was third with Bellevue and Tiffin Columbian following the top three.

Two boys records were established with Ross and Scott claiming one each. Ross upped the high jump mark to 17-4, breaking the old mark of 16-10 set in 1967 by Port Clinton. Bowling Green's three-man team also cleared a combined 17-4 (all events are figured on a team basis) but Ross won the event with fewer misses.

Paul Fahrback and Larry Liggins cleared the bar at 5-10 while Gary Nighswander leaped 5-8 in setting the record.

Toledo Scott's quartet of hurdlers, Ralph Warren, Kevin Brown, Donald White, and Mike Cortland lowered a record that Scott had set just last year with a 54.1. The new mark is now 53.7.

The Little Giants pulled off a mild surprise when they edged Bellevue in the discus. Mike Pendleton's 142-0, toss led the Ross team of Pendleton, Kurt Landig, and Nighswander to a close win. Ross was credited with 397-17, while Bellevue was credited with 396-7. Greg Mikle tossed 152-3 for Bellevue.

Other Ross wins in the boys events came in the 440-yard relay, pole vault (won by nearly 15 feet with Jeff Opelt vaulting 13-0), sprint medley, two-mile run, and finally the crown-clinching mile relay.

Terry Shearon ran the first leg of the mile relay and pulled out to a 10-yard lead with Jim Heidelberg extending that margin another five yards on the second leg. Sammy Starks and Tim Smith, running the third and anchor legs, respectively, widened the margin.

Toledo Scott and Ross diced back and forth in the girls events with Scott taking four of the seven events and Ross winning the other three.

Ross won the softball throw with a 523-4 effort on the arms of Sue Reardon, Sue Buehler, and Beth Lawrence. The Little Giant girls also claimed the medley sprint in 4:53.2, with Dennis Szymonowski, Sue Reardon, Betsy Root and Marty Ameling teaming up for the win.

The other win for Ross was in the 880-yard relay with Denise Szymonowski, Barb Reardon, K.C. Krock, and Gloria Graham turning in a time of 1:54.0 in the event.

Boys team results...

BOYS TEAM SCORING: Ross 45, Bowling Green 38, Toledo Scott 38, Bellevue 30, Tiffin Columbian 18.

FIELD EVENTS

HIGH JUMP: Ross (Gary Nighswander, Larry Liggins, Paul Fahrback) 17-4; Bowling Green 17-4; Tiffin Columbian 17-4; Toledo Scott 16-10.

New record. Old record, 16-10 by Port Clinton in 1967.

LONG JUMP: Toledo Scott (Kenny Waters, Kevin Brown, Mike Cortland) 36-9; Bowling Green 36-9; Ross 35-5; Bellevue 35-10.

SHOT PUT: Bellevue (Keith Eisenhauer, Jim Smith, Kent Eisenhauer) 19-0; Bowling Green 35-10; Tiffin Columbian 36-9.

POLE VAULT: Ross (Harry Liggins, Steve Gowitzka, Jeff Opelt) 13-0; Bellevue 12-4; Bowling Green 12-0; Tiffin Columbian 10-0.

RUNNING EVENTS

440-YARD RELAY: Ross (Randy Robertson, Scott Harman, Tim Smith, Jim Heidelberg) 45.6; Toledo Scott 45.7; Bowling Green 46.2; Bellevue 47.4.

TWO-MILE RELAY: Bowling Green (Jim Malone, Scott Hilyard, Ron Helton, Lynson Haas) 6:33.2.

TOLEDO SCOTT 8:39.5; Bellevue 45.

SHUTTLE HURDLES: Toledo Scott (Ralph Warren, Kevin Brown, Donald White, Mike Cortland) 53.7; Bowling Green 53.4; Ross 53.4; Bellevue 52.8.

New record. Old record, 54.1, by Toledo Scott in 1973.

SPRINT MEDLEY: Ross (Robertson, Harman, Heidelberg, Smith) 1:26.6; Toledo Scott 1:27.7; Bowling Green 1:31.9; Tiffin Columbian 1:44.1.

DISTANCE MEDLEY RELAY: Tiffin Columbian (Dave Seeger, Danny Wisnabaker, Matt Miller, Kirk Farrel) 11:30.25; Bowling Green 11:24.6; Bellevue 11:34.5; Toledo Scott 11:35.1.

880-YARD RELAY: Toledo Scott (Mike Cortland, Melvin Collier, Darrell Scott, Charles Melton) 1:24.2; Bowling Green 1:35.6; Ross 1:36; Bellevue 1:38.9.

TWO-MILE RUN: Three runners from each team with time combined for placement in race: Ross (Mark Root, Bob Ford, Randy Patrick) 32:05.5; Bowling Green 32:08; Bellevue 32:10; Tiffin Columbian 32:29.

MILE RELAY: Ross (Terry Shearon, Sammy Starks, Jim Heidelberg, Tim Smith) 3:35.3; Tiffin Columbian 3:42; Bowling Green 3:42.4; Toledo Scott 3:42.6.

... and girls results

GIRLS TEAM SCORING: Toledo Scott 28, Ross 26, Tiffin Columbian 11, Maumee 7, Bowling Green 5.

FIELD EVENTS

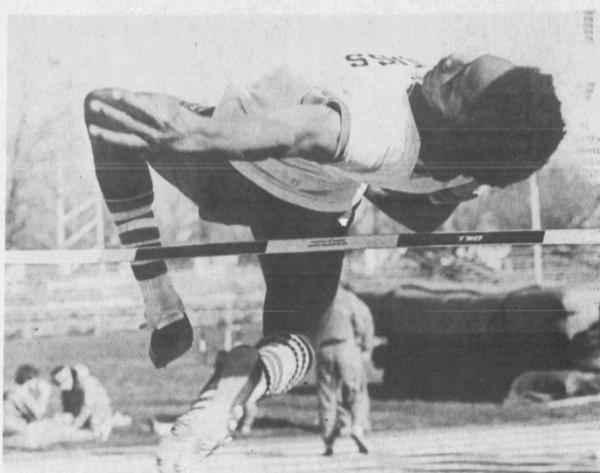
LONG JUMP: Toledo Scott (Broda Morehead, Sandra Morehead, Dorothy Jones) 46.5; Tiffin Columbian 42.3; Ross 41.9; Maumee 39.6.

SHOT PUT: Ross (Sue Buehler, Sue Reardon, Beth Lawrence) 52.4; Toledo Scott 50.4; Bowling Green 41.9; Maumee 39.6.

SHOT PUT: Toledo Scott (Debbie Volk, Mary Sherron, Mary Hughes) 37.5; Ross 27.4; Bowling Green 25.7; Tiffin Columbian 24.1.

RUNNING EVENTS

440-YARD RELAY: Toledo Scott



LONG AND HIGH JUMPS are featured in these two photos at the 14th Annual Fremont Night Invitational Relays. In the top photo, Larry Liggins arches his back while clearing the bar. Liggins eventually cleared 5-10 as the Ross high jump team set a new Relays record

for the event. Barb Reardon of Ross (bottom photo) is caught in action while long jumping. The girls team from Ross finished second in the Relays while the long jump team was third. (News-Messenger photos by Bruce Crippen)



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Hitting stalls Tribe effort

BOSTON (AP)—Cleveland Indians' Manager Ken Aspromonte bemoaned the lack of clutch hitting after the Tribe went down to a 6-3 defeat before the Boston Red Sox Friday.

"When you load the bases with none out and have your No. 3, 4 and 5 hitters up, and don't score you're in trouble," he said.

Aspromonte wasn't close to the action because he was ejected in the second inning for arguing with umpires on a play in which Boston's Bob Didier wiped out second baseman Angel Hernandez on what should have been a double play grounder. The umpires ruled interference and said the batter

But they didn't. Hendrick struck out. John Ellis flied to center, and Chris Chambliss lined to center.

Aspromonte said the Indians were hurt also by some "poor defense ball," and his starter, Dick Tidrow, ran into trouble because he was putting the ball too high.

"He's got to keep the ball low because he's a sinker-slider pitcher," Aspromonte said.

Bernie Carbo started the Boston onslaught in the first with a two-run homer. The Sox added three runs in the third off Tidrow, the big blow being Carl Yastrzemski's double.

Aspromonte said one of the bright spots was the pitching of Tom Timmerman, who came in the fourth and "did very well