

## Sectional track: Record mile relay among Ross qualifiers

**SANDUSKY** — The Ross mile relay team set a new school record in heading the list of Little Giant district qualifiers at the Class AAA sectional meet at Sandusky High School, Saturday.

In addition to the mile relay team, Ross qualified two each in the high and low hurdles and one in the discus and long jump.

The relay team composed of Dan DeLeon, Terry Bates, Randy Hammer and anchorer Jeff Brown was clocked at 3:23.4, breaking the previous school record of 3:24.2. Despite setting the record and having close to the top 10 best times ever recorded in Ohio according to Ross Coach Ron Brant, the Little Giant team only managed a third place finish in the event. Mansfield won at 3:22.8 and Mansfield

Malabar was second at 3:23.2, placing in the top four and earning a berth in the district meet Saturday at Bowling Green State University, were: Brown in the long jump and low hurdles, Mitch Clayton in the high and low hurdles, DeLeon in the high hurdles and Rick Kusmer in the discus.

Kusmer had a personal high and had the highest finish by a Ross member Saturday with a second place, 153-8 toss in the discus. Tim Dillon of Findlay won the event at 158-3.

In a close low hurdle race, which saw the four qualifiers be separated by only one tenth of a second, Brown edged Clayton for third with both being timed at 20.1.

DeLeon, suffering from a severe chest cold, was third in the high

hurdles at 14.51, and Clayton took fourth at 14.6. Brown turned in a 20-11 in the long jump, good enough for a fourth place finish.

Although he said they might have stacked the 880 relay team had DeLeon been stronger, Brant was satisfied with Saturday's results and said they qualified all they expected to.

From Bellevue High School, Duke Hanes earned a district berth with a fourth place finish in the 440 dash at 50.8.

Buckeye Conference champion Mansfield won the meet with 71 points, to 56 for runner-up Sandusky. Findlay was third with 52, two points ahead of fourth place Tiffin Columbian. Ross was seventh with 38 and Bellevue tied for 10th with 15.

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## Girls sectional track: Ross gets three, relay team in districts

**MANSFIELD** — The Ross girls track team qualified three individuals and a relay team for the district track meet at the Class AAA sectional at Malabar High School Saturday.

Earning a district berth by placing third were Stephanie Brown in the long jump, Lisa Meek in the 880 run and Debbie Clark in the mile.

The 880 medley relay team placed second and also qualified

for Saturday's district meet at Bowling Green State University.

Other district qualifiers from the Fremont area were the 880 medley relay team from Bellevue, fourth; Ruth Ravas of Port Clinton in the high jump, second; Vickie Carnicom of Port Clinton in the shot put, second, and Stephanie Gittinger of Port Clinton in the 440 dash, fourth.

The top four place finishers in

each event earned a spot in the district meet.

Ross finished fifth in the team standings with 34 points. Port Clinton tied for ninth with 20 and Bellevue tied for 18th with four. Marion Harding of the Buckeye Conference won the meet with 57 points, just one point ahead of runner-up Mansfield Madison. Malabar was third and Galion placed fourth, one-half point better than the Little Giants.