Maumee shades Ross in Class AAA sectional

TOLEDO — Rick Hollamn handcuffed Ross on one hit as Maumee blanked Ross 1-0 Saturday to oust the Little Giants from the Toledo Class AAA Sectional Baseball Tournament.

Sophomore catcher Mike Pena collected Ross's only hit, a bloop single to right, in the sixth inning. Pena was one of only two runners to reach base against the Maumee left-hander.

Losing pitcher Dave Ballenger was safe on the error in the second for Ross's other base runner.

Ballenger surrendered only three hits but two of the hits produced Maumee's run in the second. Bruce Karogram singled for Maumee, stole second, and rode home on catcher Mike Suleski's single for the only run of the game.

"Ballenger pitched well," Ross Coach Ed Platzer said quietly, "but that kid (Hollamn) pitched just a little bit better."

It was the second time in two days that Ross has garnered only one hit in a game. The Little Giants had lost Friday to Findlay.

Hollamn issued no walks while striking out four. Ballenger walked two and fanned three.

Today, Ross's junior varsity is slated to travel to Clyde while Tuesday, the Ross varsity and JVs will host Sandusky.

SCORE BY INNINGS

Maumee 010 000 0—1 3 1
Ross 000 000 0—0 1 2
BATTERIES: Rick Hollamn and Mike

Suleski; Dave Ballenger and Mike Pena

WP: Hollamn; LP: Ballenger Season record: Ross 4-8