

Ross girls start Friday

First-year Coach Sue Wolf's Ross High School girls basketball team will launch its 1976 basketball season Friday night by facing the Blue Streaks of Sandusky at Sandusky.

The Little Giants will have a 12-game schedule and will have their first home game Monday night against Sylvania.

Six seniors and four juniors comprise the 1976 edition at Ross. Seniors include Maratol Hurst, Sue Buehler, Peg Weaver, Sara Sherick and Julie Otermat. The juniors include Karyl Solze, Tracy Hull, Diane Flickinger and Roxie Price.

"We have some experience," Wolf said, "but the seniors have now played three years under three different coaches, so that's not good."

The coach said her team is not particularly tall, as the girls average about 5-6 in height. Hurst, the tallest member, is 5-9 and is expected to start at center.

Otermat, expected to start quite a bit this season, is in the hospital for minor surgery and will not start against Sandusky.

Sherick and Buehler will start at

forward and Flickinger and Solze will probably be at guards against Sandusky.

Wolf expects quickness to be one of the team's assets this season.

"We should be pretty quick on the fast break," she commented.

The Giants have scrimmaged Port Clinton, Oak Harbor and Gibsonburg. They defeated Port Clinton and Oak Harbor, but lost to Gibsonburg in a close scrimmage.

"That wasn't too good on either side," she said of the Gibsonburg scrimmage. The other two scrimmages have been encouraging to the coach, and she said she is hopeful that the team can improve on the three wins last year.

Following is the Ross girls schedule for the 1976 season:

Jan. 9	at Sandusky 6:45
Jan. 12	Sylvania 6:00
Jan. 15	Sandusky Perkins 6:00
Jan. 22	at Findlay 6:00
Feb. 5	Bellevue 6:00
Feb. 7	at Marion Harding 2:00
Feb. 10	Findlay 6:00
Feb. 13	Sandusky 6:45
Feb. 17	Marion Harding 4:00
Feb. 26	Upper Sandusky 6:30
March 2	Toledo Whitmer 6:00
March 9	at Tiffin Columbian 6:30

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MEMBERS of the Ross High School girls basketball team from left are Julie Otermat, Tracy Hull, Karyl Solze, Peg Weaver, Maratol Hurst, Sue Buehler, Sara

Sherick, Diane Flickinger and Roxie Price. The team will play a 12-game schedule this season. (N-M photo by Bruce Crippen)

Ross girls win season opener

SANDUSKY — Fremont led all the way in the opening girls basketball game of the season Friday night against Sandusky. Ross topped the Blue Streaks 34-29.

Surviving 26 turnovers with 34 per cent shooting from the floor, the Little Giants jumped out to a 9-6 lead after one period and were never headed. Mara Tolhurst tossed in nine points in the first half to pace the early Ross scoring. Tolhurst ended up with 10 points, high for Ross.

Sue Buehler tallied nine for Ross, five coming in the last half.

Dorein Hampton topped all scorers in the game with 12 for Sandusky.

Tolhurst and Lena Mercer grabbed nine and eight rebounds for Ross. Buehler ended up the night with seven assists.

The Ross JVs were held scoreless in the first and final quarters but still defeated the Blue Streak JVs 16-9. Barb Bliss grabbed 11 rebounds and scored eight points for Ross.

Ross opens the home season Monday night, hosting Sylvania. The JV game begins at 6 p.m. followed immediately by the varsity game.

Varsity Game Score by Quarters

Ross	9	12	9	4-34
Sandusky	6	8	10	5-29

Scoring

ROSS: Tolhurst 4-2-10, Buehler 4-1-9, Flickinger 3-0-6, Price 3-0-6, Weaver 1-0-2, Mercer 0-1-1; totals 15-4-34

SANDUSKY: Rowely 2-1-5, Johnson 4-0-8, D. Hampton 6-0-12, Shoewe 1-0-2, J. Hampton 1-0-2; totals 14-1-29

Season records: Ross 1-0; Sandusky 0-1

JV Game Score by Quarters

Ross	0	6	8	0-14
Sandusky	0	2	4	3-9

Scoring

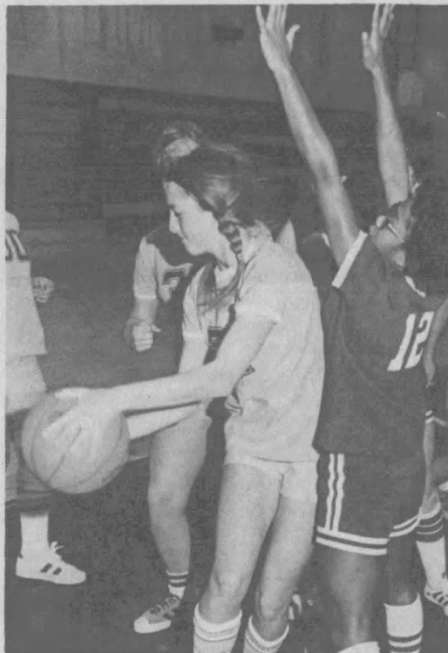
ROSS: Myers 2-0-4, Bliss 3-2-8, Carter 1-0-2, Taylor 1-0-2; totals 6-2-14

SANDUSKY: Turner 1-0-2, Grant 1-1-3, McCarty 1-0-2, Show 1-0-2; totals 4-1-9

Season records: Ross 1-0; Sandusky 0-1



SUE BUEHLER (41) GETS TIED UP
...as Sara Sherick (11) watches action



KARYL SOLZE (12) HAS HANDS UP
...Sylvania girl attempts to move around her

Girls cold from line, lose 40-39

CASTALIA — Poor shooting from the free throw line proved costly for the Margaretta girls basketball team in its 40-39 loss to Norwalk St. Paul on Monday.

The Polar Bear girls converted on one out of 18 from the charity stripe. They also shot 28 per cent from the field, hitting on 19 out of 68.

The winning basket was scored in the final 10 seconds by Norwalk St. Paul. It was the only time it led during the whole game. A shot in the final seconds by the Polar Bears was unsuccessful.

Sue Ours and Ann Vassar sparked Margaretta scoring with 11 and 10 points respectively. Mattie Bailey had 15 rebounds and Lesa Storey had 12 to help give Margaretta a big edge on the boards in its first game of the season.

Ross girls top Sylvania for second straight win

Mara Tolhurst and Sara Sherick combined talents in the fourth quarter to lead the Ross girls to their second consecutive basketball win of the season Monday night. The Little Giants broke away from a stubborn Sylvania team for a 37-34 verdict.

Along the way, Ross had trailed by as many as 10 points midway through the second period before the momentum started to swing toward the Little Giants of Coach Sue Wolf.

Sylvania had alternated "2-3" and a "1-2-2" zone defenses in the second stanza and the quick maneuvering blanked Ross for nearly the first five minutes of the quarter. Ross did not get its first shot of the stanza until three and one-half minutes had crept by on the clock.

"I don't think it was so much their defense," Wolf pointed out, "but rather it was more of us not putting the ball up at the basket."

Wolf was moaning over the 15 turnovers in the first half that paved Sylvania's way to the 10-point lead. Ross led after one period 6-4 but with Kris Perry hitting from the outside, Sylvania ran off the first 12 points for the biggest lead of the night by either team.

The Little Giants came back on buckets by Tolhurst and Roxie Price to trail by a 16-10 count at the half.

Ross took advantage of nine Sylvania turnovers in the third period to tie the game on Julie Otermat's bucket with 50 seconds left to go. A bucket seconds later by Sylvania's Tana Minich gave Sylvania the lead until five seconds into the final stanza.

Sherick hit on a scoop shot under the bucket and was fouled at that point. She hit the charity toss and Ross had a lead they never lost.

Tolhurst dumped in six straight free throws and Sherick hit another bucket

down the stretch as the Little Giants slowed the game down three minutes into the quarter.

Price dropped in two charity tosses with 24 seconds to play to give the Little Giants a 37-32 lead and put the game out of reach.

"Our biggest problem in the first two games," Wolf insisted, "is getting them to shoot. It seems at times they are worried that I will yell at them for shooting but what upsets me is them not shooting when they get an open shot."

Ross had a poor shooting night with only 13 of 42 but hit on 11 of 23 free throws.

"The free throws really surprised me," the Ross coach said, "but I was glad those free throws came for us."

Tolhurst dropped in seven of 12 charity tosses for the Little Giants. Her 17 led Ross with Sherick's eight next in line. Price finished with six. Ross managed to survive 30 turnovers.

Sylvania hit 16 of 51 shots and only two of five from the line. They had 24 miscues.

Ross's next game will be Thursday night when they host the Perkins Pirates. Game time is 6 p.m. for the JVs.

VARISITY GAME

SCORE BY QUARTERS		1	2	3	4	Total
Sylvania		4	12	6	12	34
Ross		6	4	8	19	37

SCORING

SYLVANIA: Hoover 5-1-11, Minich 1-0-2, Perry 6-0-12, Schnee 3-1-7, Spino 1-0-2; totals 16-2-34
ROSS: Buehler 2-0-4, Hull 0-0-0, Tolhurst 5-7-17, Sherick 3-2-8, Flickinger 0-0-0, Mercer 1-0-2, Price 2-2-6; totals 13-11-37

Season record: Ross 2-0

JV GAME

SCORE BY QUARTERS

		1	2	3	4	Total
Sylvania		8	4	14	16	42
Ross		6	5	10	8	29

SCORING

SYLVANIA: A. Armstrong 5-2-12, Gee 1-0-2, Page 0-1-1, Lowery 4-0-8, Ziegler 4-0-8, E. Armstrong 2-1-5, Kroyer 1-0-2, Chabon 0-1-1, Blakeman 1-0-2, Hallower 0-1-1; totals 18-6-42

ROSS: Myers 1-0-2, Bliss 9-5-23, Carter 1-1-3, Taylor 0-1-1, Meyers 0-0-0, Bowes 0-0-0; totals 11-7-29
Season records: Ross 1-1

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Perkins whips Ross

Veta Handshoe and Alice Streng teamed up to lead Perkins to its fourth straight girls basketball win and at the same time, hand Ross its first loss of the season.

Handshoe and Streng combined for 39 points in the 48-46 win over the Little Giants, but the game was not as close as the final score indicates. Ross scored four points in the last 12 seconds to narrow the final score.

Ross Coach Sue Wolf, may have the feeling that her team should be called the "no-shots."

"What's beating us is not putting the ball up on the boards," Wolf said after the game. "We are not tall enough to consistently take the ball inside but we seem to still be trying to do it."

Handshoe scored 24 points, 17 in the first half, but Wolf credited the six-foot Streng with the Little Giants' downfall.

With Ross's offense coming to life in the third quarter after scoring only six points in the second quarter, Streng's scoring antics nullified any Ross gain in the stanza. Streng took charge of the Perkins offensive boards and dropped in 10 of her 15 points.

"We were not blocking her out and she was just getting the ball off their missed shots," Wolf said.

Ross jumped out to an 8-2 lead in the first quarter but with Handshoe hitting her strike, the Pirates ran off 10 straight to take a lead they never lost. In the second period, Handshoe fired in 12 markers while Perkins' scrambling zone defense took its toll on Ross.

The Little giants girls were forced into 10 turnovers in the period and the Pirates converted on four of them to open up 21-10 lead. Ross managed to throw up only five shots in the quarter.

Sue Buehler was high for Ross with 18 points. Mara Tolhurst and Sara Sherick dropped in nine points apiece.

Varsity Game Score by Quarters

Perkins	11	14	15	8-48
Ross	10	6	16	14-46

Scoring

PERKINS: Handshoe 10-4-24, Stockett 1-1-3, Lococo 1-0-2, Johnson 0-0-0, Streng 7-1-15, Zellner 2-0-4; totals 21-6-48

ROSS: Tolhurst 2-5-9, Buehler 7-4-18, Sherick 3-3-9, Flickinger 1-0-2, Price 2-0-4, Hull 2-0-4, Mercer 0-0-0; totals 17-12-46

JV Game Score by Quarters

Perkins	2	0	4	4-10
Ross	18	6	13	6-43

Scoring

PERKINS: Marzec 0-0-0, Weaver 0-0-0, Mathias 3-0-6, Smith 1-0-2, Wolfe 1-0-2; totals 5-0-10

ROSS: Meyer 2-0-4, Bowes 4-1-9, Bliss 8-0-16, Carter 5-0-10, Taylor 1-0-2, Kellogg 0-0-0, Nitschke 1-0-2; totals 21-1-43



SUE BUEHLER

... 19 points

Ross rolls past Findlay

FINDLAY — The Ross High School girls basketball team had its best game of the year Thursday night in rolling over Buckeye Conference rival Findlay 54-35.

The girls improved their record to 3-1 with the win and it is the second win in as many games with Buckeye Conference schools. (Ross defeated Sandusky in the season opener).

The Little Giants jumped off to a blazing start on the Trojans' floor, rolling to a 16-4 lead after the first quarter.

"It was our best game," said coach Sue Wolf. "We were taking the good shot and moving the ball better. It was a great game by everyone."

Ross hit on 22 of 50 shots from the field for 44 per cent and was also 10 of 14 from the free throw line. The Trojans only could muster 16 of 60 shots from the field for 27 per cent.

Sue Buehler led Ross scoring with 19 points. She also led in rebounds with 12 and in assists with six.

"Sue Buehler played an outstanding game," commented Wolf. Sara Sherick added 10 points.

Findlay defeated Ross in the junior varsity game 31-24. The next game for the Giants is at home against Bellevue on Feb. 5.

Score by quarters				
Ross	16	12	10	16-54
Findlay	4	10	8	13-35

Scoring

ROSS: Tolhurst 4-0-8, Buehler 6-7-19, Sherick 5-0-10, Flickinger 0-1-1, Price 3-0-6, Hull 2-0-4, Weaver 2-0-4, Otermat 0-2-2, totals 22-10-54

FINDLAY: Adams 3-0-6, Spittler 1-0-2, Bennett 7-1-15, Linhart 4-0-8, Fox 2-0-4, totals 17-1-35

Season records: Ross 3-1

JV Game

Score by quarters				
Ross	4	4	11	5-24
Findlay	8	8	6	10-31

Scoring

ROSS: Myers 1-1-3, Bliss 6-0-12, Carter 3-0-6, Taylor 1-1-3, totals 11-2-34

FINDLAY: Hemker 1-3-5, Schnaker 1-0-2, Cramer 2-0-4, Ice 3-1-7, Hoppe 3-0-6, Graham 1-1-3, Warner 2-0-4, totals 13-5-31

Marion girls stop Little Giants

MARION — The Ross High School girls basketball team opened up a 10-6 first quarter lead against Marion Saturday afternoon, but it was down hill from then on for the Little Giant girls, as they dropped a 41-28 decision to the Presidents.

Marion led 18-17 at halftime and outscored Ross 23-11 in the second half. The loss lowers the Ross season record to 3-2.

Ross only shot 22 per cent from the field in the game and had no one score,

in double figures. Mara Tolhurst led Ross scoring with nine points, while Marion was sparked by Donice West's 19 points and Cal Martin's 12. The Presidents shot 31 per cent from the field, but only made 23 per cent of their free throws, to 41 per cent for Ross.

"We played our worst game of the season," said Ross coach Sue Wolf. "We just didn't get going." Thirty turnovers also hurt the Ross cause.

The Marion junior

varsity eked out a 27-25 victory over the Giants.

Score by quarters

Ross	10	7	4	7—28
Marion	6	12	8	15—41

Scoring

ROSS: Tolhurst 2-5-9, Buehler 3-1-7, Sherick 1-1-3, Price 0-1-1, Weaver 2-2-6, Otermat 1-0-2, totals 9-10-28

MARION: West 9-1-19, Martin 5-2-12, Wigton 2-0-4, Wright 2-0-4, Hempfield 1-0-2, totals 19-3-41

JV GAME

Score by quarters

Ross	6	0	9	10—25
Marion	8	3	9	7—27

Scoring

ROSS: Myers 1-0-2, Bowes 1-1-3, Bliss 3-6-12, Carter 3-1-7, 0-1-1, totals 8-9-25

MARION: Nichols 2-1-5, Culp 8-1-17, Swartz 1-0-2, Jackson 1-0-2, Fox 0-1-1, totals 12-3-27

Ross girls whip Findlay 40-26

Ross girls basketball Coach Sue Wolf had her likes and dislikes Tuesday night.

She liked her team's shot selections and the times they shot in the second half but she did not like the charity shooting. But her dislikes were the key to the Little Giants win.

Ross handed Findlay loss number two in five games 40-26 Tuesday night and upped the Little Giants' record to 4-2.

"We've shot free throws better," Wolf pointed out, "that's about the worst we have been at the line."

The Little Giants hit only 10 of 25 trips to the charity stripe but it was far better than the Trojans. Findlay missed both of their foul shot bids.

"This is the most balanced scoring we had this year," the Ross coach said as she scanned the scorebook. Mara Tolhurst, the Little Giants' leading scorer, tossed in 10 points but Sara Sherick and Roxie Price had seven apiece. Sue Buehler and Diane Flickinger both had six as eight of 10 Ross players scored.

Wolf had a reason to substitute liberally in the game. In the next nine days, the Little Giants will play four games. Bellevue is Thursday and Sandusky on Friday to begin with.

"I was happy that I got to use everyone in the game. I think it will help Thursday night against Bellevue," Wolf said.

After a slow start by both teams Tuesday, Sherick hit a free throw and bucket and Buehler tossed in a jumper to put Ross on top 5-0. Findlay rallied to tie the score midway through the second period at 14-14 but two buckets by Tolhurst and a single bucket by Buehler gave Ross a 20-14 lead at the half.

Findlay closed to within 20-18 at the start of the second half on two straight goals by Bernie Adams but Ross took command again with an 11-6 spurt. The Ross 2-3 zone limited the Trojans to a single Adams' bucket in the final eight minutes of play.

Ross outgaled the Trojans 15-13 with the big edge coming at the free throw line. The Little Giants were 15 of 54 from the field and Findlay, 13 of 57.

Varsity Game Score by Quarters

Findlay	4	10	10	2-26
Ross	12	8	11	8-40

Scoring

FINDLAY: Adams 3-0-6, Bennett 3-0-6, Bundy 2-0-4, Fox 0-0-0, Linhart 1-0-2, Spitler 4-0-8; totals 13-0-26

ROSS: Buehler 3-0-6, Flickinger 3-0-6, Tolhurst 4-2-10, Sherick 2-3-7, Price 2-3-7, Mercer 0-1-1, Otermat 0-1-1, Hull 1-0-2; totals 15-10-40

Season record: Ross 4-2; Findlay 3-2

JV Game Score by Quarters

Findlay	8	4	9	7-28
Ross	8	7	10	11-36

Scoring

FINDLAY: Cramer 5-1-11, Shoemaker 1-0-2, Warner 3-1-7, Hemken 3-0-6, Webb 1-0-2; totals 13-2-28

ROSS: Myers 3-0-6, Meyer 2-1-5, Bowes 1-0-2, Bliss 6-0-12, Carter 0-0-0, Taylor 3-3-9, Nitschke 1-0-2; totals 16-4-36

Ross falls to Bellevue

Bellevue scored 11 straight unanswered points in the last three minutes of the first half to overtake Ross and go on to win its sixth straight game of the season against no losses, 47-39.

The Redmen girls trailed 18-11 (Ross's biggest lead of the game) when Bellevue coach Carol Allan called timeout to cool off the hot shooting Little Giants. Peggy Weaver's shot from the right baseline gave Ross that lead with 2:57 to go in the first half.

From that point on, it was all Bellevue.

Utilizing a 2-2-1 press, Bellevue capitalized on turnovers by Ross to tie the score with 1:45 to play. Buckets by Lori Haynes and Jane Fox along with a free throw by Kathy Richards cut the margin to 18-16 and a jumper from 10-feet out on the right side by Sharon Bollenbacher knotted the score.

Haynes gave the Redmen the lead with an 18-footer from the left of the key and a looping one-hander by Halle Queen gave Bellevue a 22-18 lead at the half. Ross never regained the lead.

"With Tolhurst (Mara) on the bench we were hurting," Ross Coach Sue Wolfe said grimly.

Tolhurst, Ross's leading scorer, picked up her third foul with five seconds to go in the first period. With Tolhurst out, the Little Giants lost most of their scoring punch.

Playing a 2-3 zone most of the game, Ross was able to seal off the middle in the early going. When Tolhurst took to the splinters, the center opened up enough to let Bollenbacher go to work.

The Bellevue senior popped in 16 points and fired in the first five points of the second half as Ross made a bid to overtake the Redmen.

Ross tied the game at 23-23 on a pair of free throws by Tolhurst but trailed 33-23 after the third quarter. Tolhurst picked up her fifth foul 27 seconds into the final period and Bellevue began to open up.

With Queen doing the damage with six markers, the Redmen raced to a 35-29 edge. Minutes later, Bellevue still had the lead at 39-35 and went into a slow-down offense forcing Ross to foul. The Redmen whipped off eight free throws in the final minutes to keep the Little Giants at bay.

"We were worried about this game," Allan admitted. "It wasn't a league game for us but there is a lot of pride involved in the game. We had to play our best game of the season tonight."

Allan had a good effort from her bench with Richards and Haynes both tossing in four key points apiece.

"Our outside shooting — we rely on it," the Bellevue coach admitted. "It was good tonight with Queen and Gower."

Bollenbacher led all shooters with 16 and the Redmen dropped in 17 of 47 shots. Ross, paced by Tolhurst and Sara Sherick with 11 points apiece, sank 11 of 45 shots. Queen had 14 points.

Ross, after committing only nine turnovers in the first half, had 16 in the key second half. Bellevue was charged with 16 for the game.

Ross outrebounded the Redmen 45-39.

The Little Giants will host Sandusky tonight. The JV game will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Varsity game
Score by quarters
Bellevue 8 14 11 14-47
Ross 11 7 11 10-39
Scoring
BELLEVUE: Bollenbacher 7-16, Fox 1-2, Gower 1-3-5, Haynes

2-4, Queen 5-4-14, Richards 1-2-4, Schoon 0-2-3; totals 17-13-47
ROSS: Butler 2-4-4, Tolhurst 3-5-11, Sherick 3-5-11, Price 1-1-3, Flickinger 1-0-2, Weaver 2-4-5; totals 11-15-37
Season records: Bellevue 6-0; Ross 4-3

JV GAME
Score by quarters
Bellevue 4 8 11 6-29
Ross 7 6 0-11
Scoring
BELLEVUE: Baptista 1-0-3, Dellinger 2-3-9, Miller 4-0-9, Sherick 2-4-4, Ross 1-0-2, Crockett 0-1-1; totals 9-1-1; totals 11-7-39
ROSS: Myers 0-2-2, Bliss 1-3-4, Carter 1-1-3, Taylor 1-0-2; totals 3-5-11



Bad news

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Here's bad — and families of seven teams in the Pacific-8 conference are starting to peak.

Bartow, George Raveling said, who have been criticizing (and the Bruins are going to crow when the season is done.

Raveling had just watched UCLA Bruins dismantle his State basketball team 104-44 last night, and he was duly impressed. So was Bartow, who for season has shown displeasure at play of his sixth-ranked Bruins.

"We played our best 10 minutes in the first half," Bartow said. "The Bruins had built their leading mark to 7-1."

Marques Johnson, who points to lead the Bruins at Washington State, echoed comments.

"Since the Notre Dame

New scor

CASTALIA — Clyde did what came natural against Margaretta's girls basketball team Thursday.

The Filers ripped in 31 of 65 shots and set a new team scoring record in the 58-27 Sandusky Bay Conference win. Hot shooting Kathy Aman struck for 35 points and sister Kelly added another 10 markers for the Filers.

"We weren't trying for a record," Clyde Coach Mary Thomas pointed out. "It just sort of happened."

Clyde had set its old team standard of 59 points in the varsity game two years ago, also at Margaretta.

Clyde started slowly with an 8-4 lead after the first eight minutes. In the second stanza, the Filers went to work with 22 points while holding the Polar Bears to only five. It was more of the same in the third period with the Filers rolling up 28 points to only 10 for Margaretta.

Mattie Bailey, Pam Badish, and Val Hammer led Margaretta with seven points apiece. Candy Lippert led all Clyde rebounders with six.

The win was the second in SBC play for Clyde against no losses. Margaretta is now 2-1 in the SBC and 2-4 overall.

Score by quarters
Clyde 8 22 26 12-68
Margaretta 4 3 10 8-27
Scoring
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MARA TOLHURST (23) of Ross bites her tongue (top picture) as she gets off a pass under the legs of a high jumping Sandusky player. At the right, Tolhurst gets a gentle shove from the rear by Sandusky's Renee Johnson. (News-Messenger photos by Bruce Crippen)

Clyde loses by one in SBC to Huron

HURON — Clyde led Sandusky Bay Conference rival Huron going into the fourth quarter Friday night, but succumbed to the Tigers 63-62.

The win puts Huron at 8-9 on the season and 6-5 in the SBC, while Clyde drops to 6-10 and 3-8 in the SBC. Clyde had a 49-45 lead before the Tigers outscored the Fliers 17-13 in the final period.

Caron to sign with C's

CLEVELAND (AP) — The Cleveland Crusaders of the World Hockey Association club will have veteran goalie Jacques Caron under contract in the next few days, according to General Manager Jack Vivian. Vivian said Caron, who

Mike Caudill broke out of a scoring slump for Clyde and led all scorers with 23 points. Pete Crooks added 16 and Randy Berlekamp scored 10.

Huron's trio scoring punch of Chuck Gioffre, Craig Saunders and Chuck Pisano scored 18, 17 and 12 points respectively.

Clyde had a good shooting night from the field, connecting on 29 of 57 for 51 per cent, while Huron was 27 of 56 for 48 per cent. The Fliers had a big 42-28 edge in rebounds, with Berlekamp hauling down 16.

Score by quarters				
Clyde	14	15	20	13-62
Huron	12	16	17	18-63

Scoring
CLYDE: Crooks 8-0-16, Caudill 18-3-23, Berlekamp 5-0-10, Gregg 3-0-4, Baker 2-0-4, Young 1-1-3; totals 29-4-62

HURON: Pisano 6-0-12, Gioffre 8-2-18, Saunders 6-9-17, Simas 3-1-7, Freitas 3-0-6, Cramer 1-1-3; totals 27-9-63

JV game: Clyde 54, Huron 44
Season records: Huron 8-9 (6-5); Clyde 6-10 (3-8)

Balanced scoring in Ross victory

The Ross High School girls basketball team hung on to post a 32-30 victory over Sandusky Friday night at the Ross gym.

The win over the Buckeye Conference rivals improves the Giants' record to 5-3 and is the second win over the Blue Streaks for Ross.

"Sandusky played a real nice game but we got the breaks at the right time," observed Ross coach Sue Wolf about the victory.

Both teams only shot 24 per cent from the field, with Ross connecting on 13 of 54 from the field, to 14 of 59 for the Streaks.

"Our shooting percentage was not outstanding," explained Wolf. "But we shot more and four games in six days is a lot for any team," she added, referring to the rigorous Ross schedule as of late.

Sue Buehler led a balanced Ross scoring attack with eight points, while Mara Tolhurst added seven and Sara Sherick and Diane Flickinger scored six. Beth Rowley of Sandusky led all scorers with 13 points and Joann Hampton scored 10.

The Giants outrebounded the Streaks 38-31, with Tolhurst grabbing 11. Wolf was pleased with the 16 turnovers committed by Ross, a marked improvement.

The game was close throughout with Ross holding a 20-18 lead at halftime, and keeping the same margin throughout the second half.

Ross resumes action

Tuesday at home against Marion Harding, a team which beat the Giants earlier this season.

The Sandusky junior varsity rallied from a 9-2 deficit at the end of the first quarter and went on to defeat Ross 33-31.

Score by quarters				
Sandusky	10	8	5	7-30
Ross	11	9	4	8-32

Scoring
SANDUSKY: Rowley 6-1-13, D. Hampton 3-0-4, J. Hampton 5-0-10, Johnson 0-1-1; totals 14-5-30

ROSS: Tolhurst 2-3-7, Buehler 4-0-4, Sherick 2-2-4, Price 3-0-6, Weaver 0-1-1, Otermat 2-0-4; totals 13-6-32

JV GAME				
Score by quarters				
Sandusky	2	12	8	11-33
Ross	9	11	6	5-31

Scoring
SANDUSKY: Gant 6-0-12, Shaw 3-0-6, McCarty 1-0-2, Gray 4-0-8, Turner 1-1-3, Simmons 1-0-2; totals 16-1-33

ROSS: Myers 2-1-5, Meyer 0-1-1, Bowes 1-0-2, Bliss 6-3-15, Carter 1-2-4, Kellogg 2-0-4; totals 12-7-31

Area results

BUCKEYE CONFERENCE
Elyria 65, Ross 30
Findlay 58, Mansfield 56
Admiral King 69, Sandusky 55
Lorain 62, Marion Harding 59

SANDUSKY BAY CONFERENCE
St. Mary's 80, St. Joe 58
Huron 63, Clyde 62
Perkins 56, Calvert 54
Margaretta 73, St. Wendelin 70

SUBURBAN LAKES LEAGUE
Genoa 85, Olango 63
Gibsonburg 71, Oak Harbor 61
Eastwood 86, Lakota 63

NORTHWEST OHIO LEAGUE
Bellevue 51, Willard 45
Galion 79, Upper Sandusky 63
Columbian 97, Bucyrus 53

GREAT LAKES LEAGUE
Sylvania 72, Port Clinton 66
Oregon Clay 57, Bedford 51
Bowling Green 86, Fostoria 54
SENECA COUNTY LEAGUE
Old Fort 71, Seneca East 67
New Riegel 89, Bettsville 69
North Baltimore 84, Hopewell-Loudon 74



Ross 'no shots' overtaken by Rams in final quarter

Ross girls basketball coach Sue Wolf had mixed feelings after watching her team drop its fourth game in 10 contests Thursday evening.

"We played an 'okay' game," she said, "but we have to get people to put the ball up at the bucket."

The Little Giants got off 48 shots in the 38-35 loss to Upper Sandusky, but Wolf was irked about the "low shot total."

"We only took six shots in the second quarter," the Ross coach pointed out and then added, "There is nothing like winning (leading) the whole game and then blowing it at the end."

Suzanne Derr tossed in the front end of a one and one to give the Rams a 33-32 lead with 2:24 left in the

game. It was the first time that Upper Sandusky had led in the contest.

The free throw put the Rams up but a layup by Jennifer McAllister with one minute to play broke Ross's back. McAllister broke through a huge hole in the Ross pressing defense and scored easily to put the Rams up 35-32.

Two free tosses by Lisa McClain with 33 seconds to go iced the game for the Rams.

Mara Tolhurst, scoring mostly from the inside, led Ross with 16 points. Sue Buehler had eight. Cindy Young led the Rams with 15 points before fouling out midway through the final quarter. McAllister finished with 10.

The Little Giants hit 16 of 48 and Upper Sandusky 15

of 44. The Rams, however, connected on eight of 14 from the line and Ross only three of six.

The Little Giants were guilty of 20 turnovers, one of their lowest totals in that department this season, and the Rams 22. Ross also outrebounded the Rams 32-24.

In the junior varsity game, Upper Sandusky came out on top of a 13-9 contest.

Varsity game

Score by quarters

Upper Sandusky	4	9	11	14-38
Ross	12	4	10	9-35

Scoring

UPPER SANDUSKY: Young 5-1-15, McAllister 5-0-10, Derr 0-4-4, Smythe 3-1-7, McClain 0-2-2; totals 15-8-38

ROSS: Tolhurst 7-2-16, Buehler 4-0-8, Sherick 1-1-3, Flickinger 1-0-2, Price 2-0-4, Otermat 1-0-2; totals 16-3-25

Season record: Ross 6-4

JV game

Score by quarters

Upper Sandusky	0	2	3	6-13
Ross	0	2	4	3-9

Scoring

UPPER SANDUSKY: Rife 0-3-3, Hammer 1-4-6, Vents 0-2-2, Frey 1-0-2; totals 2-9-13

ROSS: Myers 1-0-2, Meyer 0-0-0, Bowes 0-1-1, Bliss 3-0-6; totals 4-1-9

Margaretta, St. Mary's in finals

CLYDE — Margaretta and Sandusky St. Mary's will meet at 3 p.m.

consolation game at 1:30 p.m. between Clyde and Clyde St. Mary's

Buehler hits 20 for Ross

TIFFIN — Fremont Ross romped to a 29-9 lead at the half but then had to hang on to defeat Tiffin Columbian 48-39 in girls basketball Thursday.

With Mara Tolhurst and Sue Buehler scoring easily, Ross ran up the first half margin. Tolhurst dropped in 12 of her 16 points for the game in that first 16 minutes. Buehler, who led all scorers for the game, had 10 of her 20 markers in the first half Ross outburst.

Columbian came to life in the third stanza to outscore Ross 19-6 and cut the Little Giants' lead to 35-28. Linda Reiss scored six points in the quarter, the same as Laura Stiger.

The Little Giants, however, got 10 points from Buehler in the final period to pull off the win.

Ross had one of its better shooting nights of the season with a 23 of 50 performance. The Little Giants held a 30-28 edge in rebounds as Buehler grabbed nine and Sara Sherick eight. Diane Flickinger had nine assists for the Little Giants.

Varsity game

Score by quarters

Ross	12	17	6	13-48
Columbian	7	2	19	11-39

Scoring

ROSS: Tolhurst 8-0-16, Buehler 10-0-20, Sherick 2-1-5, Flickinger 1-0-2, Price 2-0-4, Otermat 0-1-1; totals 23-2-48

COLUMBIAN: Reiss 6-0-12, Morris 2-2-6, Kimmel 1-0-2, Stiger 2-2-6, Wahl 1-0-2, Haman 4-3-11; totals 16-7-39

JV game

Score by quarters

Ross	10	4	5	5-24
Columbian	4	13	4	5-26

Scoring

ROSS: Myers 1-0-2, Meyer 0-0-0, Bowes 1-1-3, Bliss 1-0-2, Carter 5-1-11, Taylor 2-0-4, Kellogg 1-0-2, Bobay 0-0-0; totals 11-2-24

COLUMBIAN: Hesson 1-1-3, Mizen 6-3-15, Heyman 2-0-4, Peiffer 1-0-2, Thompson 1-0-2; totals 11-4-

Ross girls whip Whitmer 39-26

TOLEDO — The Ross High School girls basketball team was behind in the early going but still had little trouble in disposing of host Toledo Whitmer Tuesday night 39-26.

The Little Giants, raising their season record to 7-4, outscored Whitmer 12-2 in the second period to take an 18-12 halftime lead, after trailing 10-6 at the end of the first quarter.

"It was the best defense we have played this year," said Ross coach Sue Wolf. "We were also hitting our free throws."

Ross connected on 11 of 16 free throws and hit 32 per cent from the field, connecting on 14 of 44. The Panthers, in contrast, hit on only nine of 48 shots from the field for a meager 19 per cent.

Mara Tolhurst and Roxie Price scored in double figures for the Giants with 14 and 11 points respectively. Tolhurst also pulled down 11 rebounds to combine with leader Sue Buehler, who had 13, to give Ross a commanding 38-23 edge in rebounds.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Ross	6	12	10	11-39
Whitmer	10	2	9	5-26

SCORING

ROSS: Tolhurst 5-4-14, Buehler 3-0-6, Sherick 1-0-2, Flickinger 0-2-2, Price 4-3-11, Weaver 1-0-2, Otermat 0-2-2; totals 14-11-39

WHITMER: Malaczewski 3-2-8, Johnson 1-0-2, Miller 1-0-2, Spencer 3-0-6, Pfaffenberger 4-0-8; totals 12-2-26

JV GAME

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Ross	2	2	8	10-22
Whitmer	4	12	14	16-46

SCORING

ROSS: Myers 1-3-5, Bliss 2-1-5, Carter 2-3-7, Taylor 0-2-2, Kellogg 1-0-2, Burger 0-1-1; totals 6-10-22

WHITMER: Adler 1-0-2, Foltz 1-1-3, Currier 2-0-4, Galow 5-0-10, Saunders 2-0-4, Strausbaugh 3-2-8, Aumiller 3-1-7, Williams 2-0-4, Cook 2-0-4; totals 21-4-46

