

1968 Season review...

# Ross Drops Harrier Opener

KANSAS — It took a school record to come out ahead in a near blanket finish Wednesday as Lakota opened the cross country season with a 22-33 victory over Fremont Ross. Rex Brockschmidt, a sophomore running in tennis shoes, was clocked in 10:30 for first place. Brockschmidt cut three seconds from the Lakota school record of 10:33 set by Rene Miarer in 1966.

Brockschmidt finished ahead of teammate John Gladieux in second, third place Tom Hoffman of Ross and Lakota's Ross Smith. Only nine seconds separated the top four runners over the two-mile course and only three seconds divided second through fourth.

Order of finish for the runners figuring in the scoring was: Rex Brockschmidt, Lakota, 10:30; John Gladieux, Lakota, 10:37; Tom Hoffman, Ross, 10:38; Bob Smith, Lakota, 10:39; Chuck Boskovich, Ross, 10:59; Steve Harpster, Lakota, 11:05; Bob Ballanger, Ross, 11:06; Mel Hoffman, Ross, 11:10; Jeff Gabel, Lakota, 11:13; Chuck Cheek, Ross, 11:18.

## **Victory Goes To Ross Team**

Fremont Ross Harriers swept the first five places in posting a 15-44 cross country victory over Cleveland West Friday at Rodger Young Park. Chuck Cheek was clocked in 11:24, only five seconds slower than the Ross school record of 11:19.

Cheek was followed into the finishing chute by Tom Hoffman, 11:25; Chuck Boskovich, 11:33; Melvin Hoffman, 11:37; and Bob Ballenger, 11:38.

In sixth place came West's Pete Buttari, 11:48, followed by Ross' Tom Thomson, 11:57.

Order of other finishers in the race was: Ray Powell, West, 12:18; Melvin Davis, West, 12:31; Tim Grayson, Ross, 12:30, and two final runners for Cleveland West.

The win evened Ross' record at one win, one loss.

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*First Since 1961*

## Ross Harriers Top Clyde

Ross Cross Country team accomplished a feat which has escaped it since 1961 Thursday night by defeating Clyde, 22-33. The Fremont school victory came on the Clyde Green Hills golf course layout.

Strong final effort brought the Ross victory. Chris Rodriguez, Clyde senior, was first into the finish chute, with a time of 10:21, but he was chased to the end by four Little Giants. With a quarter mile to go Joe Ramirez of Clyde was running second. At this point he was passed by Fremont's Chuck Cheek, who held on for second. With 15 yards remaining Little Giants Chuck Boskovich, Tom and Mel Hoffman caught and passed Ramirez.

Victory raised the Fremont cross country record to two wins, one loss.

Order of finish in the meet was:

Chris Rodriguez, Clyde, 10:21; Chuck Cheek, Ross, 10:37; Chuck Boskovich, Ross, 10:42; Tom Hoffman, Ross, 10:44; Mel Hoffman, Ross, 10:45; Joe Ramirez, Clyde, 10:50; Dennis, Clyde, 11:00; Bob Ballenger, Ross, 11:01; Jorge Mendoza, Clyde, 11:11; Snyder, Clyde, 11:16; Trehan, Clyde, 11:18; Tom Thompson, Ross, 11:33; Tony Rodriguez, Clyde, 11:39.

*Course, School Records Set*

## Harriers Win Triangular

A new course record was established and three runners broke the existing school record Thursday as Fremont Ross won a triangular cross country meet at Rodger Young park. A closing spurt by Mel Huffman allowed Ross to sneak by Findlay for the victory. Meet results

were Ross 26, Findlay, 31, and Tiffin Columbian, 80.

Hoffman passed three Findlay runners 50 yards from the finishing chute to put Little Giants in second, third, fourth and fifth places.

Mike Wall of Findlay finished first in a course record time of

11:06. This bettered the record of 11:14, set by Clyde's Dickman. Tom Hoffman, 11:15; Chuck Cheek, 11:16, and Chuck Boscovitch, 11:17, all of Ross, broke the previous school record of 11:19 set by Cheek.

Victory raised the Fremont cross country record to wins over four schools and one defeat.

## Shuff Tells Boosters Of Mansfield Power

"We are still making mistakes, pass half the time. They not as many as the first games, will try to hurt us deep." He but are hustling and getting added, "This is the year they more confidence." This was the summary of progress made by (Mansfield) are going after the league. They really think they can take it."

Thursday meeting of Ross Boosters by Coach Charles Shuff. Shuff and assistant coach Richard Cannode, who scouted Mansfield, warned that tonight's foe, Mansfield, is a strong football team.

"Mansfield throws more than Bowsher," reported Shuff. Cannode termed Mansfield "the

Cannode's scouting report showed Mansfield had a letterman at every line position with another letterman backing up each line spot.

The Thursday meeting was the last for the Ross Boosters in the junior high school cafeteria. Starting next Thursday the Boosters will meet in the

### SUMMARY

Mike Wall, Findlay, 11:06; Tom Hoffman, Ross, 11:15; Chuck Cheek, Ross 11:16; Mel Hoffman, Ross, 11:21; Dennis Barnes, Findlay, 11:22; Mike Delaney, Findlay, 11:23; Jeff Shadle, Findlay, 11:24; Dave Hudson, Findlay, 11:27; Bill Lucas, Findlay, 11:32; Greg Meyers, Findlay, 11:33; Bob Ballanger, Ross, 11:34; Tom Thompson, Ross, 11:53; Don Robertson, Findlay, 11:54; Bill Kuenzli, Tiffin, 11:58; Ron Martin, Tiffin, 11:59; John Florence, Tiffin, 12:03; Jim Baron, Findley, 12:05; Carl VanHorn, Tiffin, 12:06; John Hollingsworth, Findlay, 12:11; Pat Rooney, Findlay, 12:16; Harvey Curran, Tiffin, 12:20.

*Sweep First Five Places*

## Ross Harriers Win Fourth

Success continued for the Ross cross country team Tuesday as they recorded the equivalent of a shutout in beating Fostoria, 15-45. It was the fourth consecutive victory after an opening loss to Lakota. Chuck Cheek led a Ross sweep of the first five places and regained his Ross school record.

Cheek was clocked in 11:12 to regain the record which he lost a week ago to teammate Tom Hoffman. Hoffman equalled his record time of 11:15 but finished third behind Cheek and Chuck Boskovich. Completing the Little Giant sweep of the first five places were Mel Hoffman, 11:33, and Bob Ballenger, 11:35.

First runner for Fostoria on the local Rodg-

er Young course was Tim Ash in fifth place. In addition to the first five, four other Little Giants finished ahead of the fifth scoring Fostoria harrier.

Summary of the first 15 runners in the Tuesday meet was:

Cheek, 11:12; Boskovich, 11:14; Tom Hoffman, 11:15; Mel Hoffman, 11:33; Ballenger, 11:35; Ash, Fostoria, 11:44; Greg Scharlach, Fostoria, 11:56; Tom Thompson, Ross, 12:11; Bruce Florea, Fostoria, 12:23; Randy Karg, Ross, 12:25; John Cadwallader, Fostoria, 12:29; Tim Grayson, Ross, 12:30; Roger Melson, Ross, 12:37; Jim Conone, Fostoria, 12:38; Cy Connors, Ross, 12:49.

# *Ross Runners Win, Cheek Sets Record*

Fremont runners bunched a clocking of 11:04. Chuck Boskovitch in third also was below seven places Tuesday as Ross posted two wins in a double dual cross country meet. Fremont

toppled Clyde, 21-36, and Woodmore, 15-48. It raised the Fremont season record to six wins, one loss.

Two records were broken in the meet. Chris Rodriguez, Clyde, who finished first set a new Rodger Young Park-Thornwood Golf Links course record of 11 minutes flat. Rodriguez had held the record a year ago, but it has been lowered several times this year. Rodriguez topped the previous course low of 11:06 run by Findlay.

Chuck Cheek, who led the Ross runners in second place, lowered the school record with

The top five Ross runners all had the best times of their career. In fourth place was Tom Hoffman, 11:12, tying the old school record; fifth was Tom Thomson, 11:18, and Bob Ballenger trailed Joe Ramirez of Clyde across the finish in seventh at 11:30. Thomson cut 29 seconds off his previous best time.

First Woodmore runner was Tim Samson in eighth place.

Order of finish was:

Chris Rodriguez, Clyde, 11:00; Chuck Cheek, Ross, 11:04; Chuck Boskovitch, Ross 11:10; Tom Hoffman, Ross, 11:12; Tom Thomson, Ross, 11:18; Joe Ramirez, Clyde, 11:22; Bob Ballenger, Ross, 11:30; Tim Samson, Woodmore, 11:36; Tony Rodriguez, Clyde, 11:37; Mel Hoffman, Ross, 11:38; Cal Dennis, Clyde, 11:39; Jorge Mendoza, Clyde, 11:43; Randy Karg, Ross, 11:54; Tim Grayson, Ross, 11:56; Vince Snyder, Clyde, 11:57; Bob Wax, Woodmore, 11:58; Larry Jennings, Clyde, 12:14; Ken Green, Woodmore, 12:21; Dave Rodriguez, Clyde, 12:23; John Foster, Woodmore, 12:24; Jim Burroughs, Clyde, 12:37; Roger Melson, Ross, 12:42; Dave Cote, Woodmore, 12:53.

## *Freshmen Rally Wins*

PORT CLINTON — Trailing 8-0 at halftime Fremont junior high freshmen came on in the second half to salvage a 16-8 victory over Port Clinton here Tuesday. A first period safety and second quarter touchdown had given Port Clinton the early advantage.

In the second half Fremont scored in each of the two quarters, first on an eight-yard run by Tom Liggins. The second

# Ross Harriers Capture Seventh

BOWLING GREEN — Chuck Boskovitch ran the fastest time of the year by a Fremont Ross runner to lead the Little Giants to a 25-32 cross country victory over Bowling Green. On the Bowling Green course Bos-

kovitch was timed in 10:30, one second ahead of the home team's Ballard.

Chuck Cheek and Tom Hoffman finished third and fourth for Ross. A bunching of three runners at eighth, ninth, and 10th and 11th insured the Fremont victory.

The Ross harriers, coached by Ron Brant, now have a 7-1 record.

Summary of the finish was:

Chuck Boskovitch, Ross, 10:30; Ballard, Bowling Green, 10:31; Chuck Cheek, Ross, 10:37; Tom Hoffman, Ross, 10:38; Lanning, Bowling Green, 10:39; Waltrip, Bowling Green, 10:40; Bowers, Bowling Green, 10:43; Tom Thomson, Ross, 10:45; Bob Ballenger, Ross, 10:47; Mel Hoffman, Ross, 10:53; Randy Karg, Ross, 10:59; Jackson, Bowling Green, 11:02.

## Eighth Grade Falls To Sandusky Team

Fremont junior high eighth grade football team could not muster a win, but showed definite improvement in falling to Sandusky Jackson, 14-0, Thursday. The Fremont team had been beaten by Sandusky 40-6 one week ago.

Coach Gary Shelt remarked, "It looked like a brand new

# *Sandusky Runners*

## *Nip Ross*

Fremont Ross cross country team ended its dual meet season Tuesday on a losing note, but not before seriously challenging district champion Sandusky. Ross was a 26-33 victim of Blue Streaks. The loss was only the second in two years on the home Rodger Young-Thornwood Golf Links course.

Crossing the finish line first was Ross' Chuck Cheek in a time of 11:08. He was chased into the finish chute by two Sandusky runners, Jack Bennett, 11:09, and John Caffey, 11:12. The top two Sandusky runners were disqualified when they cut off the course, shorting the two-mile distance. A blanket sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth finish by Sandusky runners brought the victory.

Summary of the finish was:

Chuck Cheek, Ross, 11:08; Jack Bennett, Sandusky, 11:09; John Caffey, Sandusky, 11:12; Chuck Boskovich, Ross, 11:14; Tom Hoffman, Ross, 11:15; Bill Fish, Sandusky, 11:22; Dave Leslie, Sandusky, 11:24; Roger Graham, Sandusky, 11:26; Dennis Carr, Sandusky, 11:27; Bob Ballenger, Ross, 11:30; Jeff Tanchion, Sandusky, 11:33; Larry Holcombe, Sandusky, 11:38; Tom Thomson, Ross, 11:39; Gordon Terrell, Sandusky, 11:40; Mel Hoffman, Ross, 11:54; Randy Karg, Ross, 11:55; Bob Wilson, Sandusky, 11:56; Don Madere, Sandusky, 12:00; Chris Cooledge, Sandusky, 12:01; Tim Grayson, Ross, 12:07.