

Smith wins sectional shot put crown

SANDUSKY — Laurie Smith won the Class AAA Girls Sectional discus title Thursday during the first of two days of action in track and field.

Smith sailed the discus, the only final event of the day, 108 feet, 11 inches to take the title and advance to next week's district meet.

Preliminaries to set up Saturday's finals were the main order of the day at Strobel Field. Several Ross girls and boys advanced out of the Thursday events to the finals.

Tammy Haas posted the day's quickest time in the girls 100-meter hurdles, 15.3, and polished that time off with the fastest time of the day in the 800 with a 2:26 for the Little Giants. Della Hall qualified in the 100 and 200 meter dashes. Beth Randolph was a 200 qualifier.

The 3200 meter relay team of Celene Simmons, Lisa Arndt, Sandy Long and Joan Osmon also made it into Saturday's field. Simmons and Arndt reached the finals in the 1600 meter run.

In the boys division, Tom Pendrey qualified in the high and low hurdles for Saturday's semifinals. Curtis Lee and Sam Lindsey in the 100 along with Mark Balsizer and Rick Heidelberg in the 200 also qualified for the semifinals in those sprints Saturday.

Eric Bates will be in the low hurdles semis for the Little Giants.

Oliver Zimmerman

reached the finals in the 1600 meters with Todd Johnson making it in the 400.

Ross's two relay teams, the 400 and 1600, made it to the finals. The 400 team

consists of Lee, Tony Gant, Balsizer and Pendrey. The 1600 is made up of Bates, Gant, Johnson and Jock Hicks.

In the field events, Gant and Ron Thrun reached the

long jump finals. Thrun also made it in the high jump while Jeff Ruggiero qualified in the discus for Ross.

Semifinals and finals begin at 10 a.m. Saturday.

Sectional track and field Class A boys

BOWLING GREEN — Four Gibsonburg athletes, six Old Fort athletes and nine Woodmore athletes advanced in the Class A sectional track meet after preliminary events Thursday.

Herm Reineck, Larry Foos, Louis Morelock moved into the semifinals in two events apiece. Reineck qualified in both hurdles events and Foos and Morelock advanced in the 1600 and the 3200 runs.

Karl Hoffheins and Evan Helle also advanced. Hoffheins made it to the semis in the 200 dash and Helle in the 300 low hurdles.

The 400 relay team of Mike DeAngelis, Joel Davies, Hoffheins and Helle qualified for the finals.

For Old Fort, Clark Sturgill, Jim Ahle, Dan Phillimore, Richard Burke and Brett Fry moved into semifinal heats.

Sturgill advanced in the 1600 and 3200 runs. Ahle and Phillimore qualified for the semis in the high hurdles and Burke in the 3200 run.

Fry qualified in the 100 dash.

In the pole vault, Tony Miller was first and moved on to the districts with a vault of 12-9.

For Woodmore, sprinter Pat Johnson advanced in the 100 and 200 dashes and Derek Paetow qualified in both the low and high hurdles.

Also in the low hurdles, Dan Sandwisch advanced and Scott Lenke moved on in the high hurdles.

Qualifying for the finals were Mark Nedelco, Ted Wegert, Brian and Bill Sears and Chris Rounds. Nedelco qualified in the 1600 and the 3200 runs while Wegert advanced in the 3200 and Sears in the 1600.

Sears and Rounds qualified for the 800 run.

Woodmore's 400 relay team and 1600 relay team also moved on.

The meet continues Saturday at Bowling Green University beginning at 10 a.m.

... and girls qualifiers

BOWLING GREEN — Woodmore topped area schools in the girls class A sectional by advancing five girls to the semifinals.

Kris Moelmann qualified for two events, the hurdles

qualified four girls.

In the 1600 and the 800 runs, Annette Roepke advanced to the semifinals. Suzie Schroeder moved on in the 100 dash and Abby Harpel

1600 runs. Kathy Molyett also advanced in the 1600.

In the 100 dash, Donna Kesler advanced and Dawn Walters finished fourth in the discus to qualify for the districts.

Ross girls finish second, boys fifth in sectionals

Ross's girls finished second and the boys fifth in the Class AAA sectional track meets.

Tammy Haas and Laurie Smith won two events apiece but the Lady Little Giants lost by a point, 50 to

49, to Mansfield Senior.

Haas set a sectional record and a new Ross school record in the hurdles and a 800 meter run. She won the hurdles in 15.6 seconds for the sectional mark and posted a 2:23.4 for a new sectional and a school record in the 800 meters.

Smith won the shot put and the discus. She had distances of 36-9½ in the shot and sailed the platter 108-11.

The Ross 3200 meter relay team of Joan Osmon, Celenea Simmons, Lisa Arndt and Sandy Long was fourth in 10:32.5 while qualifying for the district

this weekend.

In the boys meet, Ross was fifth out of 12 teams but junior Tony Gant wiped out a Ross long jump record that has stood since 1956.

Gant cleared 22 feet, 8½ inches to gingerly break the record that Jim Tiller had held for 25 years.

Tiller's old mark was 22-4. Tom Pendrey qualified for two events, finishing fourth in the high hurdles in 15.2 seconds and taking second in the 300-meter low hurdles in 38.9 seconds.

Curtiss Lee ran an 11.4 to finish fourth in the 100 meters. Todd Johnson was fourth in the 400 meters

with a season best of 50.6 seconds.

The Little Giants' 400 meter relay team was second in 43.4. Lee, Gant, Mark Balsizer and Pendrey comprised the team.

The Ross 1600 relay squad of Eric Bates, Gant, Johnson and Jock Hicks finished third in 3:27.9.

Oliver Zimmerman is an alternate in the mile, taking fifth in 4:31.4, the quickest time this season for a Ross runner.

In other sectionals, Gibsonburg will send six to the Class A boys at Lucas County Recreational Center.

Mike DeAngelis and

Mark Damschroder were first and third in the sectional discus. Herm Reineck finished first in the high hurdles in 15.3 and Evan Helle took second in the low hurdles in 41 seconds.

Larry Foos qualified in the 1600 and 3200 meters runs. He took third in the shorter race in 4:36.8 and fifth in the longer in 10:16.8.

Carl Hoffheins was fifth

in the 200 in 24.2.

Gibsonburg finished sixth as a team.

In a girls Class AA, Lakota will send four individuals and a three relay team to the district.

Deb Dennis finished second in the shot put and the discus. Nancy Wonderly was sixth in the hurdles and Barb Wildman finished third in the 800 meters in a Lakota school record time of 2:25.9.

The 400 and 800 relay teams were comprised of the same runners: Kim Shull, Jody Ritter, Wonderly and Annette Hammer. The 400 covered the distance in 52.6 seconds and finished third. The 800 was clocked in 1:52.6.

The 3200 relay team of Tonya Peters, Amy Wirkner, Amy Gabel and Barb Wildman finished fourth in a school record 10:01.9.

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