

1956 Season review...

TRACK-1956

April

27—Ross 23....Findlay 33½....Marion 81½

May

3—Ross 35.....Port Clinton 78

8—Ross 82½ Fostoria 35½

11—Buckeye Conference Track and Field Day.

Marion 81½

Sandusky 58

Lorain 36½

Ross 31

Findlay 12

Elyria 5

15—Ross 47...Sandusky 90½...Fostoria 10½



ROW 1: Tom Swedersky, Russell Ottney, Tom Woessner, Ron Shawl, Don Pierce.
ROW 2: Larry Nitschke, Gary Coleman, Roger Baker, Bebee

Schneider, Jim Tiller, Dave Welschuck.
ROW 3: Walter Hurse, Rein Walter, Bob John, Bob Messler, Gail Brauchla.

Season Highlights

May

8—High Jump 5'11¼"—Gail Brauchla

(New Harmon Field Record)

11—High Jump 6'—Gail Brauchla

(New Record)

18 & 19—Broad Jump 22'8"—Jim Tiller

(New Record)

High Jump 6'¾"—Gail Brauchla

25 & 26—Broad Jump 23'1½"—Jim Tiller

100 yard dash :09.8—Jim Tiller

James Tiller won Outstanding Contestant Trophy in Class "A".

Ross High Track Slate Completed

One week after the spring football drills are wrapped up April 21 for the Little Giants of Ross high, Coach Mal Mackey will have his track team in opening action at Marion high school in a meet slated there.

The date is set for April 27 and is the first of seven track dates this spring including the district and state events.

Mackey's schedule includes:

April 27 - at Marion Harding

May 3 - Port Clinton, here

May 8 - Fostoria, here

May 11 - Buckeye Conference meet at Sandusky

May 15 - at Sandusky

May 18 - District at Bowling Green

May 25 - State meet at Columbus.

Ross Places Third In Buckeye Meet

Ross high school brought the wraps off the track schedule Wednesday at Marion placing third in a triangular meet with Marion, Harding and Findlay which was originally slated for Friday, but changed in the revamped scheduling later.

Marion scored 82½ points, Findlay got 33½ and Ross netted 22 markers. No new records were set in the event.

Ross placed first in the broad jump when Jim Tiller reached out to 20 feet and one half inch in his winning leap.

Gail Brauchla, newcomer to Coach Mal Mackey's track team this year following a September transfer to the school, gained a tie in the high jump with a jump of 5' 7".

Winner of the 100 yard dash was Wayne Hastings of Marion who covered the time in 10.5. Tiller ran second in the event.

Complete results include:

Broad Jump: 20' 1½": 1. Tiller (Fre); 2. Brauchla (Fre); 3. Bennett (Find); 4. W. Dozier (Mar).

High Jump: 5' 7": 1. tie, Roberts (Mar), Brauchla (Fre); 3. Bott (Find); 4. tie, Peterman (Fin) and Patrick (Mar).

Shot Put: 48' 6": 1. Huber (Mar); 2. Russell (Mar); 3. Eiseman (Find); 4. Bohn (Find).

Discus: 148' 4": 1. Fosnaugh (Mar); 2. Huber (Mar); 3. Chapman (Find); 4. Schneider (Fre).

120 High Hurdles: 15.7: 1. Firstenberger (Mar); 2. Lockwood (Mar); 3. Peterman (Find); 4. Brauchla (Fre).

100 Yd. Dash: 10.5: 1. Hastings (Mar); 2. Tiller (Fre); 3. Henry (Mar); 4. Bennett (Find).

Mile Run: 4:39.1: 1. Butler (Mar);

Washington	2	0	222	372
Kansas City	3	4	.429	3½
Boston	3	4	.429	3½
Detroit	3	4	.429	3½
Cleveland	3	4	.429	3½
Baltimore	2	6	.250	5

Thursday's Schedule

New York at Baltimore
Washington at Boston
Cleveland at Kansas City
Only games scheduled

Wednesday's Results

New York 4, Baltimore 2
Washington 4, Boston 1
Cleveland 5, Kansas City 2
Only games scheduled

Friday's Schedule

Kansas City at Chicago
Cleveland at Detroit
Baltimore at Washington (N)
New York at Boston

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Omaha 6, Louisville 5 (12 innings).
Minneapolis 9, Wichita 8 (10 innings).
Denver 11, Charleston 3
St. Paul 9, Indianapolis 7

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	W.	L.	Pct.	GB
Toronto	5	1	.833	-
Buffalo	6	3	.667	½
Rochester	5	3	.625	1
Montreal	5	4	.556	1½
Havana	4	5	.444	2½
Columbus	2	3	.400	2½
Miami	3	6	.333	3½
Richmond	2	7	.222	4½

Today's Schedule

Rochester at Columbus
Buffalo at Richmond
Toronto at Miami
Montreal at Havana
Wednesday's Results
Buffalo 3, Richmond 0
Miami 6, Toronto 2
Montreal 6, Havana 3
Rochester at Columbus postponed

2. Burns (Mar); 3. Stevens (Fre); 4. Wessner (Fre).
880 Yd. Relay: 1:35.9: 1. Harding (Hastings, Lister, W. Dozier, Henry); 2. Findlay; 3. Fremont.

Pole Vault: 11' 4": 1. Fosnaugh (Mar); 2. Bott (Find); 3. Hochstetter (Mar); 4. Sheets (Find).
440 Yd. Dash: 52.7: 1. Firstenberger (Mar); 2. Roberts (Mar); 3. Parsons (Find); 4. West (Find).

180 Yd. Low Hurdles: 20.7: 1. Lockwood (Mar); 2. Peterman (Find); 3. Smith (Mar); 4. Weber (Find).

880 Yd. Run: 2:06.4: 1. Butler (Mar); 2. Hull (Mar); 3. Bowden (Find); 4. Stevens (Fre).
220 Yd. Dash: 23: 1. Henry (Mar); 2. Firstenberger (Mar); 3. Bennett (Find); 4. Hurne (Fre).

Mile Relay: 3:40.5: 1. Marion (Lister, Arthur, Lockwood, Hastings); 2. Findlay; 3. Fremont.



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Walt Hulse Snaps String In Close Finish



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BOLTING OVER THE FINISH LINE Thursday at Harmon Field in the 100 yard dash event Walt Hulse, Ross high junior, snaps the string with a time of 10.8, with Pat Shanahan, also of Ross right behind. In the far lane, is Port Clinton's Larry Hofacker, who placed third.

Pt. Clinton Posts Big 78-35 Victory Over Ross Squad

No new records were set nor were any old ones matched Thursday afternoon at Harmon field as Ross high school made its first track appearance at home this season, absorbing a 78 to 35 loss to Port Clinton in a dual meet.

For Coach Mal Mackey's Little Giants, the loss was the second of the year in as many outings. Meanwhile, Coach Joe Lukas's Port Clinton forces were racking up win number four in seven starts.

Both Port Clinton and Ross had two double event winners. Walt Hulse, running in the 100 yard dash and the 220 yard dash for Ross, copped firsts. And Gail Brauchla, also of the Little Giants, took firsts in the high jump and the broad jump.

Charles Meek and Tony Vallinotti got two firsts each for the visitors. In one of his wins Meek chumped the Harmon field oval in 4:44.9 in the mile event as the Port Clinton team slammed the event along with the 880 yard run, the pole vault and the discus.

Pat Shanahan and Gail Brauchla gained seconds in the 100 yard dash and the 120 yard low hurdles for the only runnerup places. Jim Tiller, who appeared in the Marion triangular a week ago for Ross, was not in running tags and among the competitors yesterday.

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120 Yd. H. H. (16.7) 1. Arch Tunnell (PC); 2. Gail Brauchla (F); 3. Gary Nossaman (PC).

100 Yd. Dash (16.8) 1. Walt Hulse (F); 2. Pat Shanahan (F); 3. Larry Hofacker (PC).

Mile Run (4:44.9) 1. Charles Meek (PC); 2. Gail Brauchla (F); 3. Bob Wertz (PC).

880 Yd. Relay (1:22.3) 1. Port Clinton.

440 Yd. Dash (54.2) 1. Tony Vallinotti (PC); 2. John Perry (PC); 3. Burdette Schneider (F).

120 Yd. Low H. (16.4) 1. Robert Johns (F); 2. Don Ice (PC); 3. Mike Elias (PC).

120 Yd. Run (2:12.4) 1. Charles Meek (PC); 2. Charles Beaver (PC); 3. Bob Wertz (PC).

220 Yd. Dash (2:4) 1. Walt Hulse (F); 2. Larry Hofacker (PC); 3. Bob Johns (F).

Mile Relay (3:43.7) 1. Port Clinton.

Shot Put (40' 10 1/2") 1. Tony Vallinotti (PC); 2. Mike Elias (PC); 3. Dan Washington (PC).

Discus (130' 8") 1. Vallinotti (PC); 2. Black (PC); 3. Anderson (PC).

High Jump (6') 1. Gail Brauchla (F); 2. Gary Nossaman (PC); 3. Mike Elias (PC).

Pole Vault (8' 6") 1. Robert Ellsworth (PC); 2. Jake Mockler (PC); 3. Dan Washington (PC).

Discus (130' 8") 1. Vallinotti (PC); 2. Black (PC); 3. Anderson (PC).

High Jump (5' 9 1/2") 1. Gail Brauchla (F); 2. Tom Ziebert (PC); 3. Westphal (PC).

Score:

Port Clinton—78.

Ross—35.

Gene Mehling's 774 Takes Opening Lead In News-Messenger Tourney

Green Springs, Bears Win Baseball Games

GREEN SPRINGS, O. The Bobcats of Green Springs high school came through with their third Sandusky County league win Thursday, topping York's Panthers 5-3.

Coach Bud Rutherford's infield figured in two double plays to aid the cause of victory. Dick Sherman hurled the win, striking out four and walking five.

Gibsonburg high visited Jacksonburg Thursday afternoon and clubbed out a 16-8 slugfest victory over the Sandusky County squad of Coach Gordon William in a non-league game.

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McGinnis, p 0 0 0
B. Weier, ss 4 0 0
E. Weier, 1 0 0
B. Weier, 1 0 0
McKenzie, cf 2 0 0
Faulkner, lf 2 1 0
Shaver, 1b 1 0 0
Austead, rf 0 0 0
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GREEN SPRINGS (5) AB R H
Selazar, lf 2 0 0
Smith, 3b 3 0 0
Faulkner, rf 4 1 1
Polke, ss 3 0 0
Gilbert, c 1 0 0
Strausbaugh, rf 3 0 0
V. Lee, 1b 1 0 0
Sherman, p 2 0 0
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Gene Mehling opened the first night of the Seventh Annual News-Messenger bowling tourney finals Thursday night by rolling a 774 total in four games and emerging with an 18.49 Peterson Point System score to take the initial leadership among eight finalists.

The top-point maker in the four game block opened with a 190, added a 217, faded to 178 and upped it to 189 in the last game for his total of 774.

Scheduled for the program tonight, the second of seven straight nights of bowling, will be a match with Pete Dugay and John Jones alleys 1 and 2; Mehling and Herb Newton on 3 and 4; Paul Szabo and Jim Forsyth on 5 and 6 and Alex Brown and Chuck Baskey on 7 and 8.

The eight keglers are shooting for a first prize of \$135 and cash in addition to the News-Messenger trophy and other prizes, and the honor of claiming the area's top singles event of the year.

The standings are:

	Pins	Points
Gene Mehling	774	18.49
Alex Brown	749	17.49
Herb Newton	743	16.43
John Jones	731	16.31
Jim Forsyth	699	15.49
Chuck Baskey	668	15.39
Paul Szabo	718	15.18

Mehling had a 193.2 average for last night's effort, a mark that is off the pace of the opening night's qualifier for him which was at 207.

Brown's 239 in his third game was the top singleton effort.

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Fostoria Arrives For Ross Track

Victory number one for the season is the goal Tuesday at Harmon field when the Ross high school track team sets out against Fostoria in the third meet.

Coach Mal Mackey's thinclads are shooting to erase the Port Clinton loss when Coach Joe Lukac's squad posted a heavy-sided 78 to 35 win over the Little Giants in a dual meeting.

Ross has another track meet this week when on Friday the athletes go to Sandusky for the Buckeye Conference day at the Blue Streak school. All six schools, also including Findlay, Marion, Elyria and Lorain, in addition to Ross and host Sandusky, take a crack at the crown.

Marion high's Prexies enter as defending champions in the meet. In a triangular at Marion this year, Marion copped the crown by $82\frac{1}{2}$ points, Findlay got $33\frac{1}{2}$ and Ross had 22.

Brauchla Sets New High Jump Mark As Ross Downs Fostoria, 82 $\frac{1}{2}$ -35 $\frac{1}{2}$

One new record was established and Ross high took 11 firsts out of 14 events Tuesday afternoon at Harmon Field as the Little Giants turned back visiting Fostoria by a 82 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 35 $\frac{1}{2}$ margin. For Ross the win was the first of the season, against two losses.

Fostoria, under the coaching of Bruce Schmidt, was losing its fifth meet in six outings.

Ross' new record came in the high jump with Gail Brauchla, newcomer to Little Giant track this spring, clearing the bar at 5 feet 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches, surpassing the Harmon field mark of 5' 11", set by Pressing of Norwalk in 1935, and topping the mark of 5' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " set by Pettiford, of Ross in 1932.

Having set out on a late track start following the spring grid practice, Coach Mal Mackey's crew is taking shape after working out against several schools.

In addition to the high jump, Brauchla scored a first in the 120 high hurdles, with the time of 16.2.

Jim Tiller covered the 100 yard dash in 10 seconds flat, and came through with a first, too, in the broad jump when he leaped out to 20', 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

These were the only double winners for Ross against the Redmen.

Friday afternoon the Ross track team moves out in the Buckeye Conference Sports Day in Sandusky high school. Marion is defending champion in this event.

Then on next Tuesday the Little Giants meet Sandusky on the Blue Streaks' track, which is the final meet preliminary to the district and state events on May 18 at Bowling Green and the 28th of May at Columbus.

120 yd. H. H. (16.2) 1. Brauchla, R; 2. Russ Ottney, R; 3. Miller, Fos.

100 yd. dash (10) 1. Tiller, R; 2. Walt Hurse, R; 3. Nixon, Fos.

Mile run (5:26) 1. Tom Woessner, R; 2. Bashore, Fos.; 3. Alspaugh, Fos.

880 yd. relay (1:41) 1. Ross (Beebe Schneider, Walt Hurse, Bob Jahns, Brauchla);

440 yd. dash (58.2) 1. Bob Messler, R; 2. Schneider, R; 3. Stull, R;

180 yd. L. H. (22.2) 1. Robert Jahns, R; 2. Miller, Fos.; 3. Ottney, R;

880 yd. run (2:21.5) 1. Reinhardt, Fos.; 2. Woessner, R; 3. Bashore, Fos.

220 yd. dash (24) 1. Walt Hurse, R; 2. Bob Jahns, R; 3. Thatcher, Fos.

Mile Relay (4:02.2) 1. Fostoria (Cobb, Miller, Staple, Spangler). Shot put (42' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") 1. Dave Wolshuck, R; 2. Reinhardt, Fos.; 3. Schneider, R;

High Jump (5' 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ ") 1. Brauchla, R; 2. Spangler, Fos.; 3. Bob Messler, R, and Bob Staple, Fos.

Pole Vault (7' 9") 1. Skip Baker, R; 2. Ron Shaw, R; 3. Alspaugh, Fos.

Discus (11' 10") 1. Reinhardt, Fos.; 2. Wolshuck, R; 3. Russell, Fos.

Broad Jump (20' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") 1. Tiller, R; 2. Brauchla, R; 3. Spangler, Fos.

Ross 82 $\frac{1}{2}$
Fostoria 35 $\frac{1}{2}$

Wertz Reviews Bout With Polio

By JACK HAND

NEW YORK (AP)—"When the doctor told me I had polio, I went numb all over — all I could think of was a wheel chair and an iron lung."

Vic Wertz spoke slowly with feeling as he reviewed the agonizing days of last August when he was stricken. The pains are gone now except for a slight stiffness when he gets up in the morning. He is hitting .356 as Cleveland's first baseman on a remarkable comeback.

"Like most people, it's the bad cases you think about," he said. "People don't realize how many kinds of polio there are. Luckily I had the non-paralytic type. I just hope I can have a good year to show others they can fight their way back."

How did it start? What were the symptoms? When did he first know he had it?

"For about a week I hadn't been feeling well," he said. "The bat felt awfully heavy. My legs got a little stiff, something like you feel when you've got the grippe. One day Al Rosen and I were driving to the ball park and I told him about the stiffness. 'Funny thing if I had polio' I said.

"Then I began to get severe pains, up my legs and back and finally headaches. We were playing the Yankees one night and I had played right field the day before. I had the headache but I went to the park anyhow. I couldn't even get off the rubbing table. Rosen drove me home. I didn't sleep, tossed around all night and the next morning I passed out twice at home. They brought an ambulance and wheeled me out."

While Wertz was in the hospital he received 14,000 to 15,000 letters ("We weighed them by the pound"), about 200 telegrams and 40 or 50 baskets of fruit. The baldish 30-year-old athlete (now 31) never knew he had so many people in his corner.

Wertz now weighs 206, about the same as when he was stricken. He got down to 189 during his illness.

"This cold weather hasn't helped," he said. "Last week I had a good checkup. I feel good. People can beat this thing if they catch it early enough."

Clyde High Wallops
Rossford in Track

Ross Teams Meet Sandusky Tuesday

Ross high school athletes on the track and tennis teams will find themselves coming and going with Sandusky high school Tuesday afternoon.

First off, the track squad of Coach Mal Mackey takes to the road for a meet of dual proportions with the Sandusky Blue Streaks, only dual slated with that school this year.

In the Friday Buckeye Conference sports day on the Sandusky track, Ross high ran fourth to the field while Sandusky scored a second place spot in its efforts.

Ross Second In Triangular

**Sandusky Wins Event,
Fostoria Is Third**

SANDUSKY, O.—Three firsts were garnered Tuesday afternoon at Sandusky as Ross high school's track team finished second in a triangular meet with Sandusky winning the event and Fostoria placing last.

Sandusky rolled up 90½ points to 47 for Coach Mal Mackey's thinclads and 10½ credited to Fostoria.

Taking a first in the 100 yard dash in the time of 10.4, and also winning the 220 yard dash in 23.4, Jim Tiller was the only double first winner of the meet.

Gail Brauchla, who has been having his best results in the high jump, took first again with a leap of 5' 11".

Rain fell during the meet hampering efforts at bettering any marks that exist in the Strobel field record book.

Ross' next track action will be in the district meet at Bowling Green this weekend.

TOTALS: 1. **Sandusky** 90½; 2. **Fremont**, 47; 3. **Fostoria**, 10½.
120 yd. H. H. (16.1) 1. Warfield, S.; 2. Wild, S.; 3. Brauchla, Fre.; 4. Opperman, Fos.;
100 yd. dash (10.4) 1. Tiller, Fre.; 2. DeHaven, S.; 3. Hurse, Fre.; 4. Stowers, S.;
Mile Run (5:14.9) 1. Wright, S.; 2. Tom Woessner, Fre.; 3. McGreevy, S.; 4. Bashore, Fos.;
880 yd. relay (1:34.8) 1. Sandusky; 2. Fremont; 3. Fostoria;
440 yd. dash (54.5) 1. Murshel, S.; 2. Piper, S.; 3. Messier, Fre.; 4. Opperman, Fos.;
180 yd. L. H. (22.3) 1. Wild, S.; 2. Phelps, S.; 3. Johns, Fre.; 4. Ottney, Fre.;
880 yd. run (2:13) 1. Gilmer, S.; 2. Smith, S.; 3. Reinhart, Fos.; 4. Stull, Fre.;
220 yd. dash (23.4) 1. Tiller, Fre.; 2. DeHaven, S.; 3. Hurse, Fre.; 4. Arnold, S.;
Mile Relay (3:51.6) 1. Sandusky; 2. Fremont;
High Jump (5' 11") 1. Brauchla, Fre.; 2. Grant, S.; 3. Spangler, Fos.; 4. Wood, S. and Opperman, Fos.;
Shot Put (46' 10") 1. Corso, S.; 2. Williams, S.; 3. Wolshuck, Fre.; 4. Russell, Fos.;
Discus (131') 1. Burger, S.; 2. Wolshuck, Fre.; 3. Whisner, S.; 4. Reinhart, Fos.;
Pole Vault (10' 6") 1. Jones, S.; 2. Schreck, S.; 3. Shawl, Fre.; 4. Baker, Fre., and Asholder, Fos.;
Broad Jump (19' 4¼") 1. Stowers, S.; 2. Tiller, Fre.; 3. Reynolds, S.; 4. Brauchla, Fre.

