Shelby Youth | Stands Out

By TIM KOELBLE

SHELBY — A three - year letterman in football at Shelby High School is very unusual, but Randy Cornette became one of those three year winners this season.

Cornette spearheaded a tough Shelby defense from his middle guard position. one he has manned since his sophomore

According to Coach Bill Wilkins, approximately 10 sophomores in the past 25 years have made it to the varsity level. "We just don't play them on the varsity unless they are good." said Wilkins.

Cornette, who stands 6-2 and weighs a solid 215, was one of those boys. He opened at middle guard and saw action on the offensive line but as Randy says. 'Defense is my best."

When the track season rolls in Cornette will be looking for his third letter, as he participates in the discus throw

Although statistics were unavailable on Cornette's performances, it was a distinct possibility that he would crack the first team defense in selections at the Northern Ohio League meeting last

Cornette has only two main hobbies. those he knows how to play-football and track. Among the two, football is his fa-

"I really love football," says Randy, "especially on defense where you can really hit people.''

"You can use your hands on defense and move around when you have to, not like on offense where you have to be stationary," he said.

Cornette recalls a Bellevue game last season when Shelby and the 1972 NOL champions fought to 0-0 tie. "We fumbled on our own three - yard line late in the game," stated Randy, "but we held

His first game on the varsity level came as a surprise. He had made the roster but hadn't expected to play

By JOHN GRAY

lettermen lost through grad-

uation last spring from its

championship b a s k e tball

squad. Galion High School

looks like one of the teams

to beat in defense of its Northern Ohio League title.

Returnees include five let-

termen: Chip Durtschi.

two - year letter winner, 5 -

9 guard: Jeff Poffensbaugh,

6-0 forward; Steve Kent, 6-1

forward; Dave Jones, 6-2

forward, and Dave Repp. 6-

1 forward - guard, all sen-

Other good prospects in-

clude three other seniors:

Ron Miller, 6-2 center; Gary

Merckle, 6-3 center, and

Greg Kubach, 5-8 guard, six

juniors: Keith Bryan, 6-0

guard. John Yeager. 6-3

center; Tom Ernst. 5-10

guard: Mickey Plumme, 5-

11 guard; Brian Cain, 6-0

forward, and Dave Curran,

6-0 forward, and a sopho-

more. Bill Fox. 6-2 forward.

GALION - With only two



RANDY CORNETTE . . . three-year veteran

"It was right before the kickoff when Coach Wilkins told me to go in at middle guard," he commented. "I was surprised but I wanted to play.

Wilkins says about Cornette, "Randy spearheads our defense. We think he's one of the best in the area and the best in league at his position. We are able to depend on him with is defensive play, reading offenses and cutting up the trap

Cornette has college ambitions but doesn't have an idea right now where he'll be going. But he would like to play football wherever he does go.

Randy stands 87th out of 283 in the senior class with a "B" average

"Randy is a solid citizen of the school," comments Wilkins. "He goofs off sometimes but when it comes down to getting the work that needs to be finished completed, he does it well."

Playing varsity football since his sophomore year. Cornette well knows how to get the job done.

Johnson.

Assistant Coach is Marty

Class AAA Galion opens

the season by entertaining

Clear Fork outside of the

NOL on Saturday night.

Nov. 25. The Tigers open the

league season at Tiffin Co-

lumbian on Friday night.

Last season Galion did not

victory over Buckeye Val-

ley, 66-59. Galion nipped Til-

fin Columbian twice, 69-65

GALION BASKETBALL

tough Johnny Appleseed

Conference meet.

and 76-67, last season

Ctear rork, but opened with an overtime

New London Back Chosen 'Offensive Player of Year'

By FRANK H. VALK

Mark Mullins of New London isn't the biggest back that ever graced Firelands Conference football fields. but he is with little doubt one of the fastest.

The five - foot - ten. 156 pound halfback for the Wildcats whizzed his way to 1.313 yards in 130 carries for 102 points and the distinction of being the Conference's "offensive player of the year.'

Mullins, who lettered all four years at New London, was selected as a conference first team running

"Mark was always the runner the opposing defenses keyed on," New London coach Paul Nestor said.

FIRELANDS CONFERENCE
FIRST TEAM
OFFENSE
ENDS — Mike Pusaferi, Norwalk St.
Paul, John Padell, Milan Edison
TACKLES — Doug Clark, New London, Rollie Cox, Black River
GUARDS — Carl Puder, New London;
Gary Borgeson, Norwalk St. Paul
CENTER — Jamie Hobbs, New London; don QUARTERBACK -- Don Long, Monroeville
RUNNING BACKS — Mark Mullins,
New London: Tam Bellamy, Norwalk St
Paul, Dan Pritt, Milan Edison
Player of year — Mark Mullins, New
London.

DEFENSE
— Steve Moody, Mapleton, Dan ENDS — Steve Moody, Mapleton, Dan Lake, Milan Edison.
INTERIOR LINEMEN — Mark Jones, Monroevilie, Al Hildebrand, Mapleton, Doug Clark, New London
LINEBACKERS — Mark Osterland, New London; Carl Puder, New London; Gary Borgeson, Norwalk St. Paul; Dave Gormley, Milan Edison
HALFBACKS — Mike Pusateri, Norwalk St Paul; Chuck Rinehart, South Central, Kevin Randleman, New London PLAYER OF YEAR — Mark Jones, Monroeville

SECOND TEAM
OFFENSE
ENDS — Gary Jones, Monroeville;
Chris Scheck, Black River
TACKLES — Al Miller, Norwalk SI,
Paul; Bart Hibbard, Milan Edison;
GUARD — Den Willis, Milan Edison;
CENTER — Art Lindquist, Black River.

QUARTERBACK — Gene Fernandez, Milan Edison. Milan Edison. RUNNING BACKS — Bobby Williams, New London, Mark Jones, Monroeville, Al Rollin, Black River

DEFENSE ENDS — Don Lang, Manroeville, Ron ENDS — Don Long, Monroeville, Ron Ross, Mapleton
INTERIOR LINEMEN — Bark Hibbard, Milan Edison, Gary Barker, New London, Al Miller Norwalk St Paul LINEBACKERS — Dan Willis, Edison; Tim Weisenberger, Wakeman Western Roserve DEEP BACK — Keith Kline, Black River, Rusty Gordon, Mapleton, Tim Christman, Monroeville, Jeff Einerson, Milan Edison Veteran Galion High Defends

HONORABLE MENTION
OFFENSE
END — Mark Osterland, New London
TACKLES — King Divers, Western Re
serve; Al Hildebrand, Mapletan
GUARDS — Mark Spaar, Norwalk St
Paul, Jaff Bilss, Monroeville.
CENTER — John Hyde, Milan Edison.
GUARTERBACKS — Guy Ebinser,
South Central, Phil Biddinger, MapleIon, Chuck Hahler, Norwalk St
RUNNING BACKS — Kevin Randleman, New London, Roy Howard, South
Central
DEFENSE

DEFENSE DEFENSE
ENDS — Charlie Brown, Norwalk St
Paul, Jed Myers, Monrogwille
TACKLES — Howard Krikke, South
Central, King Divers, Western Reserve;
Mark Shafer, Norwalk St.Paut, Jim
Springer, Milan Edison.
LINEBACKERS — Kevin Mohrman,
Mapleton, DEEP BACKS — John Hyde,
Milan Edison, Craig Finnen, Milan Edison.

COACH OF YEAR — Paul Nestor, New London OF VEAD

Height Big **Booting Item**

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP) Lean John Stufflebeem once punted 83 yards for Randolph - Macon Academy The football people at the U.S. Naval Academy remembered that and now Stufflebeem is their Number One booter

"Anytime we're inside the 40 - yard line, we aim for the coffin corner." says Stufflebeem, "Accuracy and height are more important in that area than distance. The idea is to float the ball. not drill it "Rather than go for distance "Stuffle" tries to kick punts that are best for the Navy team

Ohioan Honored

NEW YORK (UPI) --Dayton linebacker - tackle Tim Quinn was among 11 college players named to the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame Scholar Athletes for 1972



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were then gaining ground, causing the opposition to key on them. Mark broke

"He's a very objective young man. He evaluates well. For instance when we would give the scouting report, he wanted to know such things as how quick was the defense and how did it react under specific circumstances. In fact I'm sure he played the game mentally before physical-

Also selected to the first team offense were New Lon-don's Doug Clark at tackle and another tackle, Black River's Rollie Cox. Clark was also an all - conference tackle on defense. Jamie

Hobbs of New London was selected as an all - conference offensive center.

Earning first team defensive end laurels was Mapleton's Steve Moody. Another Mountie, Al Hildebrand, was named as first team interior lineman.

Wildcat Mark Osterland and teammate Carl Puder were first team linebackers while South Central's Chuck Rinehart and New London's Kevin Randleman were given first team defensive halfback honors.

New London, the Firelands Conference champion. dominated the first team selections, placing four players on offense and four on defense.



MARK MULLINS . . . leading offensive back



YOUTHFUL STYLE Jean - Guy Talbot, new coach of the St. Louis Blues professional hockey team, wears a youthful hair style these days. He had coached the Denver Spurs farm club, before getting promoted.

Ohio College Records. . . .

Bowling Green Western Michigan Toledo Mlami Ohio University BIG TEN lowa Northwestern 1 6 v OHIO CONFERENCE FINAL BLUE DIVISION division title RED DIVISION Ashland Kenyon John Carroll Youngstown State Ohio Northern Wilmington Dayton Case Western Xavier

McMahon to Coach

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) -The San Francisco Giants released 42 - year - old relief pitcher Don McMahon and signed him as a full-time pitching coach for the 1973

Mt. Vernon Begins in Home Test By JOHN GRAY MT. VERNON - Mt. Vernon will have three letter winners back for the 1972 -73 basketball season opener at home with Richwood

Wednesday night, Nov. 22. Veterans include: Dave Gorsuch, 5-11 senior guard, who was chosen for the all. conference team last season; Rick Scott, 5-11 senior forward, and Ted Williams. 6-4 junior forward.

For the past two seasons, the Yellow Jackets have won the Ohio Conference. Other members of the loop are Gahanna, Worthington, Whitehall, Reynoldsburg, Delaware. Westland and Westerville High Schools.

Keith Merrin has coached at AAA Mt. Vernon for four seasons, winning 44 games and losing 35. His overall record, including Logan Elm and Delaware High Schools, is 158-87.

A graduate of Mt. Vernon High School in 1955, Merrin furthered his education at Capital University, receiving his degree in 1959, and then on to Washington State University to receive his master's degree in 1972. Mt. Vernon will appear in

the four - team preview at Shelby Senior High School Saturday night, Nov. 18. Also appearing will be Shelby. Mansfield Madison and Mansfield Senior.

MT. VERNON
BASKETBALL SCHEDULE
Nov. 18—at Shelby Preview
Nov. 22—Richwood
Nov. 24—at Gahanna (X)
Dec. 1—Worthington (X)
Dec. 2—Newark
Dec 8—at Whitehall (X)
Dec 15—Reynoldsburg (X)
Dec 27—at Westland (X)
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Dec 27—at Westland (X)
Jan 12—at Worthington (X)
Jan 12—at Worthington (X)
Jan 13—at Buckeye Valley
Jan 19—Whitehall (X)
Jan 27—at Ashland
Feb. 2—Delaware (X)
Feb 9—Westland (X)
Feb. 16—at Westerville (x)
(X) —Denotes OC games

Ohio College Schedule...

By United Press International By United Press International
Saturday Games
Ohio Stale at Northwestern
Bowling Green at Tampa
Toledo at Kent Stale
Marm at Cincinnati
Marshall at Ohio University
Ashland at Fairmont Stale
John Carroll at Case Western Reserve
Central Stale at Federal City
Dayton at East Carolina
Carnegie-Mellon at Hiram
Georgelown at Ohio Northern
Rose-Hulman at Wilmington
Youngstown State at Indiana Stale Pa

OHIO CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME Muskingum at Heidelberg

GALION BASKETBALL Nov 25--Clear Fork Dec 1--at Tiffin Columbian (x) Dec 9--Upper Sandusky (x) Dec, 22--Norwalk (x) Dec, 23--at Wynford Dec, 23--at Wynford Dec, 23--at Wynford Dec, 28--River Valley Jan 12--Willard (x) Jan 13--Tiffin Columbian (x) Jan 13--Tiffin Columbian (x) Jan 13--at Bucyrus (x) Jan 26--at Upper Sandusky (x) Jan 27-Shelby (x) Feb, 2--at Norwalk (x) Feb, 16--at Willard (x) Feb, 17--at Ontario (x--Denotes NOL games) Plymouth to Field Veterans

Northern Ohio League Title

Missing will be Scott

M c D a v i d, All - Northern

Ohio League and all - dis-

trict guard and leading

scorer, and John Evans, 6-3

center. who was the leading

rebounder and All-NOL

Gallon's record last sea-

Jim Kirk is on his third

season with the Tigers in 11

years of coaching. He also

coaches golf and teaches bi-

ology, physiology and anato-

my. His overall record in

A graduate of Caledonia High School in 1953, he re-

ceived his degree at North-

ern Ohio University in Ada

in 1961. At Elgin High

School in three years, his

basketball teams won two

North Central Conference ti-

tles. Last season he was

chosen District six "Coach

basketball is 127-73.

son was 15-5 including 12-2

second stringer.

in the NOL.

By JEANNE YOCKEY PLYMOUTH - Watch for Plymouth in cross country next year.

Coach Robert James predicts the Big Red will be a state meet contender since only one of the top seven runners from the 14-1 1972 squad will graduate.

Mike Adams a two - year letterman is the only senor among Plymouth's top seven distance runners

juniors, three Sophomores and a freshman.

Ridgedale Invitational.

Returning veterans for 1973 will be. Joe Dotson, a

sophomore who qualified for

the District Meet; John Ob-

erlander, a junior; Bruce

Keller, junior; Steve Louis,

Junior; Steve Miller, fresh-

man; Ted Shealy, sopho-

more: Doug Routzahn,

freshman and Larry Whit-

Dotson averaged 10.56

and was termed by Coach

Glen Smith as the team's

most improved runner. He

lowered his time 25 seconds

to a best of 10:22. Oberlan-

der shaved 22 seconds off

his time to a best of 10:42. He

is the school's co - record

holder with Mark Shealy. In

addition, he holds the sopho-

more and freshman team

meyer, junior.

records.

Of the rest there are two

assembled some pretty impressive victories this season, including the Class A Ontario Invitational championship, the Sectional title from their meet at Tiffin. runner - up position in their District at Ottawa fifth place in the State Meet in Columbus and third in the

Veterans Will Return For Wynford Royals Sandusky and sixth in the

BUCYRUS—The Wynford Royal cross country runners will return in force next year after losing only two of their top 10 from the 22-14 1972 squad.

Graduating in June will be three - year letterman Mark Shealy and two - year letter winner Art Stormer.

Shealy, the team's Most Valuable in 1972, lead the squad with an average time of 10:42. He is co - holder of the school record, a 10 16. He placed ninth individually in the North Central Conference Meet at Ridgedale with a 10:17 and fourth in the Findlay Invitational, Stormer averaged 11:05, with a best time of 10:27.

Overall, the team placed fifth in the NCC, sixth in the Class AA Sectional at Upper

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This unlikely group has

In 1971, the Big Red, with several of the same runners, won the Class A. State Meet Other graduating seniors besides Adams will be Lar-

ry Bowman, and Mike Redden both double monogram Adams improved his time for the two-mile distance from a 10 35 a year ago to a 10 10. He placed 12th in the

state meet. Returnees for the 1973 season will include Ken Lucas, a sophomore. Lucas was the No. 1 runner this year. His best time of 9 56 is a school and Plymouth course record He won his Sectional with a

10.15 and his District with a

9:59 and finished ninth in

the State Meet.

Brad Buzard, a junior, improved his mark from 10:29 to 10:19, Ralph Noble, also a junior, had a best mark of 10:18 in his first year. Sophomores Steve Adams and Mike Courtright were clocked at 10:46 and 10:42 for their best marks. Adams improved from a best of 11:12 last year: Courtright was in his first season. Barry Hamilton, a freshman, had a best time of

Other veterans will be Bill Hamilton, Richard Seymour. Earl Strine, Guy Flora, Randy Kenneard. Dave Holt and Clarence Vermillion.



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