

High Time

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Fall Sports in the Air

While high school football seems to be the main attraction at this time every year, there are schoolboys also preparing for the cross country and golf seasons.

Without a doubt, high school football draws the most fans, gets the most ink and, along with basketball, makes it possible for high school athletic programs to function.

Cross country and golf athletes will be opening during next week while the footballers are readying for a week from tomorrow.

In addition to football, cross country and golf, there's water polo, soccer and girls volleyball on the agenda, also with a starting date of next week.

Even though football is the most popularized sport at this time of year, nothing can be taken away from those who participate in the other sports — after all, they work at their "specialty," too.

Football is most concentrated on from August 1 and more so around two weeks later when the head-knocking starts in practice and scrimmages.

Cross country athletes are always, at least supposed to be, in condition like anyone else. But those boys are somehow, always on the go in any way, shape or form that keeps them in good health, all leading up to their season.

Golfers are always on the course, using their rounds not only in competitive action during tournaments during the spring, but as a "conditioner" for the second-year fall sport.

Of course, Mansfield Christian is the lone area school that participates in high school soccer, and it too, is prepping for another successful season.

Girls volleyball, as has basketball, is becoming a more accepted sport. There'll be plenty of action during the following weeks in gymnasiums throughout the area, heading for a hopefully successful season and the state tournament, Nov. 22.

The least successful of any of the fall sports is water polo, which is very limited in the Mansfield area on a high school basis. Most of the opportunity exists during the spring and summer months with swim clubs and YMCAs.

Will it be another successful fall season in these sports? There were several fine records attained throughout the area last year and it could be difficult in 1975 for further excellence.

There are these questions

Will Buckeye Central again go 9-0 as it did last year and win the North Central Conference football title?

Will Shelby, 9-1 last year, be beaten out in the computer play-offs by Norwalk, no matter if there is a three-way tie again in the Northern Ohio League with Tiffin?

Will Mt. Gilead repeat as the Mid-Ohio Conference football champion? Will Crestview do the same in the Johnny Appleseed Conference. Those football questions will be answered by Nov. 7-8, the final regular season weekend of football.

On the cross country level, will Plymouth win the state championship with a new coach in 1975, even though most of the squad returns?

Will Shelby, as it did in most sports last year, excel again on the golf course after winning the district and placing fifth in the state tournament?

Those and many more questions will be answered this fall as every scholastic athlete — boy and girl — tries to succeed to the degree they have set for themselves.

Coaches in each sport will also get the answers as they seek success for the school and their own success in the position they are hired — to coach

Falcon With Penguins

Former Mansfield Malabar offensive guard Glen Guill, a three-year letterman for the Falcons, has "made" the varsity unit for the 1975 football season at Youngstown State University.

Guill is listed as a freshman offensive guard-middle guard for the Penguins, coached for the first year by Ray Narduzzi.

3 Senior Veterans Top Ashland Squad

ASHLAND — Three senior lettermen will lead the Ashland Arrows at 4:30 p.m. Sept. 4 when the Arrows' cross country team opens its season against Mansfield Madison.

Tom Ray, who ran a 10:17 last season, Art Bauknecht (10:19) and Randy Mast (10:27) are three of eight lettermen back from an Ashland squad which was runner-up in the Arrow Invitational and third in the Cloverleaf Invitational.

Other lettermen back are Tim Abels, Neal Graiton, Junior Bill Remington (10:44), Eric Wagner and Junior Mark Wright (10:42). Also adding valuable depth on the 21-man squad are Sophomores Larry Combs, Ed Goard and Dan Schumaker, who each ran sub-five minute miles in junior high.

Ashland will be hosting the Arrow Invitational at 11 a.m. Sept. 27 and has entered the Wooster Invitational, 10 a.m. Sept. 13; the Cloverleaf Invitational, 10 a.m. Sept. 20; the Ashland College Classic, 10

ASHLAND CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

Sept. 4	at Madison	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 9	at Shelby	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 12	at Mansfield	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 13	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 14	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 15	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 16	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 17	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 18	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 19	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 20	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 21	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 22	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 23	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 24	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 25	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 26	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 27	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 28	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 29	at Wooster	10 a.m.
Sept. 30	at Wooster	10 a.m.

1975 ROSTER

COACH	Don Dees
SENIORS	Tom Ray, Art Bauknecht, Randy Mast, Eric Wagner, Neal Graiton, Bill Remington, Mark Wright, Larry Combs, Ed Goard, Dan Schumaker
JUNIORS	Tom Ray, Art Bauknecht, Randy Mast, Eric Wagner, Neal Graiton, Bill Remington, Mark Wright, Larry Combs, Ed Goard, Dan Schumaker
FRESHMANS	Tom Ray, Art Bauknecht, Randy Mast, Eric Wagner, Neal Graiton, Bill Remington, Mark Wright, Larry Combs, Ed Goard, Dan Schumaker
SOPHOMORES	Tom Ray, Art Bauknecht, Randy Mast, Eric Wagner, Neal Graiton, Bill Remington, Mark Wright, Larry Combs, Ed Goard, Dan Schumaker

Gresham Injured
AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Starting defensive end Jim Gresham of the University of Texas football team broke his hand during a drill and will miss at least four weeks of practice.



SENIOR WINNERS — Winners of the Senior Division of The News Journal Junior Golf League at Possum Run were (front row) Chris Finley and Mike Deley, and (back row) Mike Ek and Mike Eagleston. (Photos by Alan King)



JUNIOR TITLISTS — Junior champions in The News Journal Junior League at Possum Run were Joe Eagleston, Harvey Eagleston and John Harris. Tony Rozic, the fourth member, was unable to appear for the picture session because of illness.

Plymouth High Boasts 17 Football Veterans

PLYMOUTH — Jim Conley and Brad Turson head a list of 17 returning lettermen for the Plymouth High Big Red football team.

Conley, a three-year letter winner, is a 5-foot-9, 195-pound guard who was an honorable mention All-Johnny Appleseed Conference selection. Turson, an all league basketball player, is 6-3, 200 and plays end.

The only other multiple letter winner returning of Coach Michael McFarren's 1-9 squad is Randy Strohm, a

5-10, 175-pound senior tackle, who has won two letters. Coach Michael McFarren, in his second year at Plymouth, has to look forward to playing the first three games on the road and four of the first five.

The Big Red will be looking for more offensive punch. Last year Plymouth was shut out in half of its games and managed only a touchdown in each of the other five. The

chore is a tough one because Quarterback Jim Miller and Fullback Ron Foreman are among four lettermen lost by graduation.

Running backs battling for berths include the following lettermen: Seniors Don Woodmansee and Ed Gomez, Juniors Tom Hamman, Charlie Mack and Jim Cunningham and Sophomore Ray Gullett. The quarterback position will have to be filled by an inexperienced player.

Mapleton High Loses Champion

POLK — Mapleton High lost a state champion but brings back a cross country team that should even be stronger than in 1974.

Gone is Pete Murtaugh, who won the Class A individual state championship with a 9:54 clocking at Ohio State University in Columbus. Murtaugh, who broke all his brother's distance records at the school, may know how his older brother John feels very shortly.

Pete's younger brother Tom is a junior who set a class record of 10:15 last year. Pete holds 12 records, including the school mark, the course record and the senior class' best time, all three of which is 9:32.

The Mounties finished second in the Firelands Conference and at the Lorain Sectional and fifth in the Akron District.

Returning are 10 lettermen, including Tom Murtaugh, Junior Kevin Klue (10:40) and Sophomore Lee Conwell (10:44).

MAPLETON HIGH SCHOOL ROSTER

COACH: Tom Hay

SENIORS — Mark Deley, Tom Deley, Gene Keener (x), Steve Strohm

JUNIORS — Chris Arnold (x), Jim Beal, Al Clark, Ernest Green, Cliff Grubbs (x), Greg Huber (x), Kevin Klue (x), Sam Hill, Steve Perton (x), Tom Murtaugh (x), Craig Wray (x), Terry Francis

SOPHOMORES — Lee Conwell (x), Dennis Korman, Ty Smith

FRESHMANS — Darrell Clark, Mike Davel, Troy Graham, Craig Klue, Jim Murtaugh

(x) — Guest letterman

Jimmy Webb Inks 49ers Contract

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — The San Francisco 49ers signed their No. 1 draft choice, Jimmy Webb, to a three year contract.

Coach Dick Nolan said he was glad to have the 6-3, 248-pound tackle in camp but added that he'd need a lot of practice in the remainder of the preseason to catch up with the rest of the team's players.

Adams Coaches Bellevue

BELLEVUE — "Our success this year will depend on how quickly our inexperienced linemen come along."

That's the early-season capsule comment of first-year coach Terry Adams, who succeeded Lowell Shaffer at Bellevue High School. Shaffer had coached 23 years at Bellevue.

Adams has 11 lettermen in camp from a 4-4-2 unit in 1974, 4-3 in the Northern Ohio League.

The Redmen lost five top-rated senior linemen from graduation, leaving Adams with the chore of fixing up the line.

However, he will have an experienced backfield to work with, one that averaged 20.7 points per outing in league games last fall.

Tim Green will be the quarterback, backed up by Halfbacks Kent Eisenbauer, Dave Leply and Ed Nasotti. All are seniors except Nasotti, who led the team scoring with 36 points as a sophomore.

Adams, who makes his debut Friday, Sept. 5 at Port Clinton, says that Shelby appears to be the strongest league team ahead of Tiffin, Columbian and Willard.

Adams is a 1957 graduate of Shelby and was Crestview's first varsity football coach in 1962. He spent four years at Willard and is now in his third year at Bellevue. He was an assistant before taking over the head job.

BELLEVUE REDMEN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 5	at Port Clinton
Sept. 12	at Sandusky Perkins
Sept. 19	Willard (x)
Sept. 26	at Tiffin (x)
Oct. 3	at Upper Sandusky (x)
Oct. 10	Norwalk (x)
Oct. 17	Shelby (x)
Oct. 24	at Gallien (x)
Oct. 31	Bucyrus (x)
Nov. 7	Huron (x)
(x)	Northern Ohio League game

Ontario Harrier Squad Stronger

ONTARIO — The Ontario Warriors cross country team was cruising along last season with high hopes of gaining a Johnny Appleseed Conference crown and perhaps placing a team into the district when disaster struck.

In about a week's time, veteran coach Bill Brown lost three of his top runners to injuries, including Ed Cowell, the squad's No. 1 runner (9:46).

Before the injuries the Warriors were second at the Park Hills Invitational. After the injuries, Ontario finished third in the conference which was the first time since 1966 that the squad didn't place either first or second.

Missing from the squad of last year which compiled an 11-2 mark are Cowell and Kirk Schoenman (10:28), both graduated.

A good sign that the Warriors have a strong team this season is the fact that Brown, who has fashioned an 83-20 record in his nine years of coaching, has entered the team for the first time in the very difficult Malone College Invitational.

Seven lettermen return in what appears to be one of Ontario's most consistent teams in a long while. All five senior lettermen have won two letters. They are, Kevin Cook (10:15), Tim Giffin (10:16), Bruce Duffner (10:22), Rick Cronebaugh (10:27), and Mark Delaney (10:30). Junior letter winners include Don Mullin (10:14) and Evan Hellingner (10:56).

Ontario will once again host the three-class Ontario Invitational Oct. 4 Plymouth in Class A, and Findlay in Class AAA, winners at Ontario last year, went on to win state championships.

Ontario opens Sept. 4 at Colonel Crawford and has its first home meet Sept. 11 against Wynford. The league competition will be Oct. 14 at Therm-O-Disc Park in Mansfield.

ONTARIO CROSS COUNTRY ROSTER

COACH: Bill Brown

SENIORS — Kevin Cook (2), Tim Giffin (2), Bruce Duffner (2), Rick Cronebaugh (2), Mark Delaney, Steve VanDine

JUNIORS — Don Mullin (1), Evan Hellingner (1), Jim Mason

SOPHOMORES — Jay McGowan

FRESHMANS — Tod Duffner, Mike Cinger, Steve Schumann

MANAGER — George Hellingner

1975 SCHEDULE

Sept. 4	at Colonel Crawford
Sept. 9	at Shelby, Ashland
Sept. 11	Wynford
Sept. 15	at Lexington, Bucyrus at Therm-O-Disc
Sept. 18	at Clear Fork, Mansfield Senior
Sept. 25	at River Valley, Mansfield
Sept. 29	at Malone College Invitational
Sept. 30	Upper Sandusky
Oct. 4	Ontario Invitational
Oct. 7	at Willard
Oct. 14	at Johnny Appleseed Conference at Therm-O-Disc
Oct. 18	at Ontario
Oct. 25	District
Nov. 1	State

Mansfield Tracksters Get Kudos

SIX Mansfield high school athletes were selected as Prep Track & Field Athletes of the Year for 1975 by Coach & Athlete Magazine. They were nominated by their coaches.

From Malabar, nominated by Coach Debra Henry, the athletes were Kimberly S. Knight, Jome D. Dees, Barbara Kay Baumberger, Barbara Jane Waud and Lee Ann Williamson. Vance Hatford, nominated by Coach Doug Cline, was named from Shelby.

Perfect Game

Marty Pirano of Strathclyde was the spotlight in the 1975 ABC Classic division when he rolled the 25th perfect game in the history of the bowling tournament. He had a 772 three-game series.

Declining Teams

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UPI) — Nearly 200 colleges have given up varsity football since 1958, largely because of the costs involved.

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