

FC, NCC split two in all-star basketball

ASHLAND — The Firelands Conference and North Central Conference split recently in their annual all-star basketball game held at Crestview High School.

An undermanned Firelands Conference girls team used its height advantage win 76-74 in overtime, while the NCC won the boys' contest 94-69.

All six players on the FC girls' roster were 5-foot-8 or taller. By contrast, the NCC's tallest was 5-9. The Firelands used its size to keep the NCC out of the paint, dominate the boards and race to a 40-30 first-half lead.

South Central's Robin Barre was a machine along the baseline and in the lane with 12 first-half points. Averaging 14.5 during the season, she finished with 19.

What Barre was to the Firelands offense in the first half, Whitney Willard was in the second. The Mapleton guard scored 16 of her game-high 22 after intermission and gave the Firelands a 69-64 lead on a pair of free throws with 1:34 to go in regulation.

In overtime, Willard scored a free throw and later a field goal on a drive down the lane. Buckeye Central's Jill Tracey kept the NCC in reach with a score on the blocks, but Mary Jo Glenn's three-point play gave the Firelands a four-point edge.

The NCC refused to quit as Black hit a triple with seven seconds remaining to make it a onepoint game. The best the NCC could do after a Firelands free throw was a mid-court shot that fell short.

Backing up Willard and Barre for Firelands was Glenn with 13 points and 15 rebounds. Plymouth's Andee Reeder was also in double figures with 10. St. Paul's Amy Widman chipped in with seven points.

The series is now tied 2-2. The game was the only one thus far, boys or girls, to go into overtime. It was the closest and highest total score of the four played by the girls.

The NCC boys used a torridshooting in the first half and never looked back in its easy win.

Paul Cannon of St. Paul scored inside and outside as the Firelands went out to an early 15-10 lead. After a sputtering start, the NCC heated up and began spotting up from the arc.

Two Corey Guttenberg free throws and a triple by Bryce Bahm of Bucyrus tied the score. Buckeye Central's Guttenberg nailed a triple to put the NCC out in front for good and Colonel Crawford's Nick Schroeder scored underneath to complete a 10-0 run by the NCC.

The Firelands came out in the second half behind Cannon and Plymouth's Adam Reno to get within 13, 64-51, early on. But the NCC put together an 20-10 run to put the game away.

"It was fun to go with conference guys and stuff after going against them for four years," said Cannon, who led the Firelands and was the game's high scorer with 20 points on nine field goals, most from the lane. He also led both teams in rebounds

with nine. Derek LaValley had 12 points, Reno had 11, and Monroeville's Zak Hancock added 10 for the FC. The NCC now leads the boys' series 3-1.

Rain washes out contests

The Norwalk-Shelby varsity Northern Ohio League baseball and softball games scheduled for Fuesday at Shelby were postponed due to inclement weather. The games have been rescheduled for 5 p.m. April 27.

Flyers washed out

The St. Paul at Perkins softball game Tuesday was rained out. The Flyers' game Monday at Mapleton was halted early by rain and will be completed at a later date.

Plymouth boys win FC tri-meet over New London, Crestview

NEW LONDON — Plymouth (55) defeated New London (48) and Ashland Crestview (39) Tuesday in Firelands Conference boys' track action.

Crestview scored 45 points to win the girls' meet, followed by New London with 41 and Plymouth with 34.

The cold, rainy weather forced the cancellation of some of the field events.

Here are all of the results:

GIRLS' MESULTS Ashland Creatview 55, New London 41,

Shot put - 1, J. Stewart (AC) 2. Manocchio (AC); 3. Harris (NL).
Discus — 1. Stewart (AC) 106-10;
Manocchio (AC) 95-0; 2. Stadler (P) 88.9. 4x800 relay - 1. New London (Gabrielle Wuensch, Megan Shepherd, Holly Perkins,

100 meter hurdles - 1. Keaton (P) 17.8; 2. Stoodt (P) 19.4; 3. Anderson (AC) 19.7. 100 meter dash --- 1. Bader (AC) 13.6; 2. Randleman (NL) 14.0; 3. Carter (P) 14.8. 1600 meter run — 1. Spoerr (AC) 5:59;

Jen Suvar) 11:36.6.

2., Danielle Wuensch (NL) 6:05.2; 3. Mencher (P) 7:22.7. 4x200 relay — 1, New London (Michelle Jump, Ashley Emery, Katie Pyras, Heather

400 meter run — 1. Bader (AC) 1:02; 2. LaCroix (P), 1:20; 3. Burns (NL) 1:22.2.

57.5; 2. Plymouth 58.2.

300 meter hurdles - 1. Keaton (P) 55.4; 2. Stoodt (P) 1:01.3; 3. Wammes (P) 800 meter run - 1. Danielle Wuensch

(NL) 2:48.4; 2. Webb (AC) 2:49.5; 3. Shepherd (NL) 2:58.8. 200 meter dash — 1. Badef (AC) 28.6; 2. Carter (P) 31.5; 3. LaCroix (P) 34.1. 3200 meter run — Gabrielle Wuensch (NL) 13:18; 2. Spoerr (AC) 13:23; 3.

Perkins (NL) 16:11. 4x400 relay — 1. New London (Danielle Wuensch, Katle Pyras, Megan Shepherd, Johanna Novotny) 5:02.6; 2. Ashland Crestview 5:03.2.

BOYS' REBULTS

Plymouth 56, New London 48, Ashland Crestview 39 4x800 relay -- 1. Ashland Crestview

110 meter hurdles - 1. L. Keaton (P) 17.9; 2. Killian (NL); 3. Brandstol (P). 100 meter dash — 1. Mike LaCroix (P) 12.2; 2. Berry (NL); 3. Sheller (NL).

4x200 relay --- 1. Plymouth 1:44.5. Shot put --- 1. Beck (AC) 48-1; 2. Howell (AC); 3. Griffin (NL). 1600 meter run — 1. McCerron (AC) 4:59.7; 2. Sendelbach (NL); 3. Ringler

4x100 relay — 1. New London 49.2. 400 meter dash - 1. Bryan Sheller (NL) 54.1; 2. Hines (AC); 3. Blahop (P).

300 meter hurdles - 1. Keaton (P) 52.0; 2. McKenzie (P); 3. Masters (P).

800 meter run - 1. Fulk (AC) 2:20; 2. Howe (P): 3. Cramer (NL).

24.4; 2. Hintz (P); 3. LaCroix (P). 3200 meter run - 1. Zac Zendelbach (NL) 11:33.1; 2. Kemm (NL); 3. Dvorak

Discus - 1. Beck (AC) 120-1; 2. Griffin (NL); 3. Masters (P).

4x400 relay — 1. Plymouth.

NOTE — Three field events canceled due to the weather.

BOYS' RESULTS Sandusky and Findlay 60.5 each, Edison

100 meter dash — 1. Sylvester McSwain (S) 11.05; 2. Jayoen Rollison (S) 11.09; 3. Bohnelder (F) 11.59; 4. Cory Frankboner (E) 11.6. 200 meter deeh — 1. Jaycen Rollison (S)

22.89; 2. Sottooway (F) 23.83; 3. Bryant Strayer (E) 24.2; 4. Vince Randleman (S)

400 meter dash - 1, Smith (F) 53,56; 2, Storer (F) 56.8; 3. Dan McDuffie (S) 57.1; 4. Jeff Meinert (E) 57.48. 800 meter run - 1. Justin Jones (S) 2:13.8; 2, Josh Dow (E) 2:19.84; 3

Barrientos (F) 2:19.84; 4. Umbs (F) -- 1, Pete Hill (E) 5:05.6; 2.

Elsea (F) 5:09; 3. George (F) 5:14.1; 4. Justin Brown (S) 5:14.5. 3200 run — 1. Anthony Barratia (F) 11:21.1; 2. George (F) 11:49I 3. Cameron Ground (E) 12:01.8; 4. Brian Collins (E)

110 high hurdles -- 1, Marvin Ritchie (S) 16.62; 2. Devin Ackerman (E) 17.7; 3. Josh Amstutz (E) 17.75; 4. Chris Hamilton (E)

44.29; 2. Sylvester McSwain (S) 48.09; 3. Flowers (F) 46.25; 4. Josh Amstutz (E)

4x100 relay -- 1. Sandusky 46,09; 2. Findley 47.87; 3. Edison 51.77.

4x200 relay --- 1. Sandusky 1:34.92; 2. Findley 1:40.46; 3, Edison 1:44.37; 4, Findlay 1:52.46,

4x400 relay -- 1. Findlay 3:49.52; 2. Sandusky 4:00; 3. Findlay 4:05. 4x800 relay — 1. Edison 9:03; 2. Sandusky 9:18; 3. Findlay 9:27.

High jump - 1. Ethan Caskey (E) 5-8: 2. Cory Frankboner (E) 5-6; 3. Bryce Ebron

Pole vault - 1. Bill Huber (F) 9-0; 2.

Josh Kaszonyi (S) 8-6. Long Jump — 1. Jared Smith (F) 18-11; 2. Rasmussen (F) 18-10 3.4; 3. Vince Randleman (S) 18-10; 4. Ryan Rockwell

Shot put — 1. Greg Shoop (E) 47-11 1/2; 2. Zech Judge (E) 47-9; 3. Joshua Miller (S) 44-6; 4. Matt Englert (E) 44.5.

Discus — 1. Greg Shoop (E) 134-7; 2. Chris Miller (S) 113-10; 3. Malt Luttman (S) 111-3; 4. Zach Judge (E) 110-9.

GIRLS' RESULTS

Findley 73, Sandusky 55, Edison 37 100 meter dash - 1. A.J. Gant (S) 12.7; Brittany Walker (S) 12.9; 3. Linhart (F) 13.58: 4. Julia Dean (E) 13.6.

27.8; 2. Walket (S) 28.35; 3. Shaquala Reynolds (S) 28.9; 4. Stephanle Renny (E)

400 meter dash - 1. Jamie May (F) 1:02.55; 2. Molly Mayer (E) 1:07.87; 3.

800 meter run - 1, Shay Mitchell (F) 2:45.89; 2. Marissa Sample (S) 2:52.44; 3. Carrie Shover (E) 2:59.17; 4. Christie Shover (E) 3:01.

1600 meter run - 1. Undsey Bradley (E) 6:03.74; 2. Sarah Foster (E) 6:10.87; 3. Carrie Shover (E) 8:21.4; 4. Christle

3200 meter run - 1, Jen Bradley (F) 13:41; 2. Christina Mackel (F) 14:07; 3. Jessica Pulaski (E) 15:18; 4. Caitlin Smith (E) 15:23.

100 meter hurdles - 1. Tashe Jacobs (F) 17:09; 2. Julie Roney (F) 17:37; 3. Amy Turton (E) 18.1; 4. Parls Edmond (S) 18.46. 300 meter hurdiss - 1. Paris Edmond

(8) 55.36; 2, Amy Turton (E) 56.49; 3, Ashley Shank (B) 56.93; 4, Megan Knechtges (E) 1:00.7.

4x100 relay — 1, Sandusky 53.57; 2.

4x200 relay — 1. Findley 1:54.86; 2. Sandusky 1:56.37, 4x400 relay - 1. Findlay 4:36.11; 2.

Sandusky 5:26.3. 4x800 relay — 1. Findlay 12:03.4. High jump — 1. Jacqueline Myers (F) 4-11; 2. Melissa Hauser (S) 4-10; Rooney (F)

4-8; Susan Hastings (S) 4-4. Pole vault — 1. Julie Rooney (F) 8-0. Long Jump — 1. A.J. Gant (S) 15-6; 2.

Linhari (F) 15-1; 3. Charlise Montgomery (S) 14-4 1/4; 4. Molly Moyer (E) 13-8 1/2. Shot put — 1. Crystal Lane (S) 33-8; 2. Keisa White (S) 33-5 1/2; 3. Jacalyn Crecellus (E) 30-10 1/2; 4. Molly McManus

Discus — 1. Jacalyn Crecellus (E) 100-9; 2. Wright (F) 98-6; 3. Rotman (F) 94-3; 3. Shaqerla Hunter (S) 88.6.

CARRY-OUT

Gary Barnett says everyone is to blame

BROOMFIELD, Colo, (AP) --Suspended University Colorado football coach Gary Barnett acknowledges there was misbehavior at a 2001 party at the center of a rape scandal. He also says everyone at the offcampus gathering is to blame.

Barnett, questioned for nearly five hours Tuesday by a panel investigating recruiting practices at Colorado, said there were 10 people at the party, including four football players. The four later lost their scholarships and were charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor for

providing alcohol. "There is no question in my mind that inappropriate behavior occurred," Barnett said. "There is no question that the behavior of the 10 young people involved was the result of their own poor decisions and under the influence of alcohol."

Two women have alleged they were raped at the party by players or recruits; a third said she was assaulted in a dorm room shortly afterward. They are suing in federal court, seeking unspecified damages for what they say was the school's failure to rein in athletes and provide equal protection to women.

At least eight women since 1997 have accused Colorado football athletes of rape though no charges have been filed. Separate probes are under way by the state attorney general and university.

Barnett's testimony was the most dramatic yet before the Board of Regents' panel investigating whether Colorado uses sex and alcohol to entice recruits. The panel voted to ask for more time to complete its work, meaning a report wouldn't come out until the end of May.

Dressed in a suit and tie and occasionally raising his voice, Barnett said he feels responsible for his players' performance on the field as well as their behavior in the community. But he said there is only so much he can

"I have 48 that I have held accountable over the last five years. I can't live their lives for

them," he said. Barnett was put on paid leave for comments he made about two of the alleged rape cases, including that of Katie Hnida, a former kicker who said she was raped by a teammate in 2000. He called her an "awful" player as he answered questions about why

she left Colorado to later enroll at the University of New Mexico.

Barnett waded into the controversy again Tuesday, telling the panel he spoke with Hnida's friends, former teammates and a rape counselor who spent time with the young woman, and that none heard her talk about harassment or assault.

"I couldn't find anybody to substantiate one single claim and I was looking to substantiate it,"

Barnett said. He repeated his belief that Hnida wasn't a good player, but said he wanted her on the team to give her a chance of fulfilling her dream of playing college foot-



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