

Hickory riflemen 2nd in national shoot

Team is runnerup to Alaska in competition sponsored by the NRA

The Hickory High School rifle team finished second in the national Non-Military Scholastic Division, according to a bulletin from the National Rifle Association (NRA), Washington, D.C. The team, sponsored by the Hickory Kiwanis Club, finished behind East Anchorage, Alaska, in the 1969-70 competition.

The scoring was: East Anchorage, Alaska, 1513, Hickory 1508.

The competition drew a field of 3758 individual riflemen, on 737 teams in the 62 sectional competitions for a place in the national rankings.

Hickory's team participated in the sectional directed by the Lawrence County Sportsmen Association at their range, Harbor Road, New Castle.

Participating for Hickory were Phil Whitworth, Bob Avril, Tom Wilds, and Mark Smith. All are juniors except Wilds, a senior. Another, Dale Wilds, whose ability qualified him for the competition reached the age limit several days before the shootings and was unable to take part.

Scoring was as follows: prone, standing, sitting, and kneeling. The scores were recorded by certified NRA instructors and telegraphed to headquarters in Washington for comparison with other individuals and teams and the national rankings.

Sponsored by Kiwanis

The Hickory team was organized five years, under sponsorship of the Kiwanis Club of the community, and has enjoyed fabulous success since the beginning.

Kiwanis members who work with the team are William M. Bogert and Ed Brown. Also

working with the team is Mrs. Carmen Everett, who has two daughters competing. The coach is William Reynolds.

The team is now in the midst of its Steel Valley competition. During the past season it won first place in the Steel Valley League, the Willoughby, O., Invitational, the Ohio-Pennsylvania tournament, and the NRA sectional.

Team members

Members of the team included Dale Wilds, Tom Wilds, Bob Avril, Phil Whitworth, Mark Smith, Jeff Bindas, Marjorie Everett, Les Darby, Richard Mahood, Roger Kilgore, and Dave Mahood.

Although the full squad participates in league matches and tournaments, only the top four are qualified for the NRA national.

Scholastically the team has advantages, too. Dennis Morgenstern was accepted for appointment to West Point. Dave Avril received a scholarship to Tennessee Tech on the basis of his marksmanship.

The Kiwanis Club sponsors classes on safety in gun handling and training in marksmanship until the individual is eligible for the high school.

Provide own guns

The boys compete with .22 calibre rifles, and they each provide their own rifles, and ammunition. The distance for competition is 50 feet, with marksmanship in the following categories:

Prone, standing, sitting, and kneeling.

Following are the individual scores of the runnersup in the national competition:



National runnersup—Above, the four members of the Hickory High rifle team which finished second in the national competition sponsored by the National Rifle Association, Washington, D.C. The only four members eligible to shoot are shown with their rifles and shooting jackets. Front row, kneeling, from left, Bob Avril, Phil Whitworth. Back row, Mark Smith, and Tom Wilds. All are juniors except Wilds, a senior.

Deer licenses on sale Nov. 27-29

Mercer County Treasurer Irene L. Nicholson said the treasurer's office will be open Nov. 27-29, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily for the sale of deer licenses.

Farrell shooters 3rd in MV match

Warren had 1102 and 1052 points to lead the locals, while Youngstown finished with 979.

Local scores were Bob Walsh 273, F. Roeding 273, T. Bross 265, and G. Terchila 237. Next match is Nov. 24 at Lowellville.

DEC. 2 FIGHT

NEW YORK (UPI)—Middleweight Bob O'Brien and Danny McAloon will meet in a 10-round bout in Madison Square Garden's Felt Forum on Dec. 2.

Ambridge was a lot like the Farrell 1969 championship club

"They reminded me a lot of our team last year," said Coach Bill Gargano in discussing the Ambridge team's 40-8 victory over the Farrell Night Riders last Friday. "They were big, rough, a bruising ball club, with plenty of confidence."

"They weren't afraid to give you the ball, feeling pretty confident their defense could hold you, and they could run and pass. In other words, they played you any way you wanted, and they came out on the long end of the score."

Gargano said that "Ambridge was just too much ball club for us this year. They are considerably stronger now than they were earlier I can easily believe. Their coach told me so, and I believe him."

Varied offense

Ambridge's victory was its eighth of the season and its seventh in a row. They are 8-1-0 on the campaign, their only loss

coming at the hands of undefeated New Castle.

The Bridgers combined superior defense with a varied offense. "They can throw, and they can run, both over you and around you," said Gargano.

Gargano also said that William Gargano, the Farrell quarterback, injured his shoulder in the second quarter of the game and did not play the last half. "We're hoping he will be ready for Sharon Friday night," the coach said.

Shoulder bruise

Gargano first injured his shoulder in the Brookfield game, the coach explained, "but he felt alright, so we started him against Ambridge. After the game we had X-rays taken, and they showed only a bruise, so we're pretty confident he'll be ready for our last game."

Gargano also praised the work of Al Campman, "who

stepped into the quarterback spot in the last half, and gave a good account of himself. He played very well."

Gargano's Riders will enter the Sharon contest with a record of 2-5-2, "but, for one of the few times this season, we'll be at full strength physically, except for the quarterback spot," he said.

Gargano predicted the usual "tough contest with Sharon. The teams seem to be pretty evenly matched," he said, "and I believe we'll have the kind of a game the fans will enjoy."

The teams clash Friday at the Sharon High Stadium.

Sharon boy, 12, bags 1st turkey

Ted Phillips, 12, McClure Ave., shot a 12-pound turkey while on his first hunting trip. He was hunting in Cameron County with his father, Carl W. Phillips, and brothers.

Namath enjoys movie, but....

BOSTON (UPI)—The film critics and the sportswriters both turned out for Joe Namath's news conference at his Bachelors III.

No one was quite sure what the injured New York Jet quarterback was more interested in discussing—the film he made last summer in Italy, "C.C. and Company," or football and the broken wrist bone that will keep him on the bench the rest of the season.

"I had reservations about playing football this year," Namath told a Tuesday news conference. "I really didn't want to play football this year. I lacked the desire and I didn't feel good. I love the game—it's my whole life and now I miss it."

"This could be a blessing in disguise," he said, waving the heavy cast on his right arm to writers in the dark, crowded bar. "My legs have always hurt and sometimes been swollen. But I'm away from it now and working on lifting weights. Two weeks ago I could only lift 10 pounds with my leg. Now, I can lift 30."

"And now that I haven't been able to play, I found out it's not a good feeling sitting out there watching. If I can't throw the football, the way I should, I won't play. But I want to play again if I can," he said.

Namath admitted he had enjoyed making the nude and love scenes in his movies but had still been unable to sit all the way through the picture in

which he starred opposite Ann Margaret.

It was harder, he explained, knowing that he was working as an actor while "good actors, experienced actors, are out of work. It would be the same thing in football for me."

Explaining that he much preferred the bright lights to desert work, Namath said he "had fun" in the movies but hadn't realized how serious actors were about their profession.

"I'd like to stay away from the deserts but I'd rather be on a desert than in Italy. Forget Italy. I had an accident on a motorcycle as soon as I got there and I'm not anxious to go back and try that again."

	Prone	Standing	Sitting	Kneeling	Total
Phil Whitworth	99	91	100	99	389
Bob Avril	100	85	98	95	378
Tom Wilds	97	85	96	95	373
Mark Smith	99	76	99	94	368

Take Your Pick

Highway

Hornet Riflemen Are Undeclared

2/6/71 HERALD

The undefeated Hickory High rifle team extended its victory streak with a 930-893 decision over New Castle at the New Castle Sportsmen Club range.

The Hornet riflemen have not lost a decision this school year.

Hickory's top shooters in the match were P. Whitworth, 190; D. Wilds, 189; T. Wilds, 188; J. Bindas, 184; and R. Avril, 179.

The Hornets' next rifle match will be with Canfield on Feb. 16.

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Hickory riflemen lead field in Ohio-Penn event

Hickory High riflemen copped the first three places and more awards than any other team in the Ohio - Pennsylvania Steel Valley Junior Rifle League tourney Saturday at New Castle.

Phil Whitworth, Bob Avril, and Tom Wilds finished 1-2-3 for the sharpshooting Hornet contingent with scores of 386, 382 and 378 respectively.

High girl aggregate was 368 by Kathy Spanabel of Columbiana, while Hickory's Charlotte Everette took High sub-junior aggregate with 314.

Nancy Shane of Boardman won Class B with 257 and C. Stin of Howland Class C with 347.

Hickory High is also leading the regular league competition with only one match to go.

Following is a summary of results:

Class A

1st prone: Barbara Foster, Columbiana, 99; 2nd prone: Rick Mahood, Hickory High School, 99.

1st standing: H. Henderson, Canfield, 88; 2nd standing: B. Hepp, Canfield, 88.

1st sitting: M. Smith, Hickory, 99; 2nd sitting: J. Stahara, Boardman, 97.

1st kneeling: R. Mullen, Boardman, 92; 2nd kneeling: K. Williams, Columbiana, 92.

Class B

1st prone: O. Weyman, Columbiana, 98; 2nd prone: M. Costrove, Boardman High School, 97.

1st standing: D. Mahood, Hickory High School, 83; 2nd standing: G. Vignon, Columbiana, 79.

1st sitting: R. Baker, Howland 95; 2nd sitting: K. Solinger, Howland High School, 93.

1st kneeling: D. Wiley, Canfield High School, 87; 2nd kneeling: A. Delucia, Howland, 85.

Class C

1st prone: C. Kooser, New Castle 96; 2nd prone: C. Wack, Western Reserve, 93.

1st standing: Dawn Bayer, Columbiana, 71; 2nd standing: B. Marceall, New Castle, 64.

1st sitting: D. Zeigler, New Castle, 95; 2nd sitting: R. Vesey, Boardman, 93.

1st kneeling: Sharon Westfall, Western Reserve, 84; 2nd kneeling: D. Corey, Howland, 84.