

HERB LINDSAY'S

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SCOUTING REPORT ON THE

HOLT HIGH SCHOOL RAMS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

@ CLASS B REGIONAL, JACKSON, OCTOBER 30
HOLT 48 (2-6-7-10-23)

- 1 DAVID BALL, BCHC 1520
- 2 SCOTT MANETSCH (SR) HOLT 1522
- 3 GLENN BRADLEY, CHARLOTTE
- 4 CHUCK LOVE, MASON
- 5 LEE PALONEN, BCHC
- 6 STEVE DRAKE (SR) HOLT
- 7 MIKE PARMALEE (SR) HOLT
- 8 CRAIG MORRISON, MASON
- 9 DON MCCALL, PINCKNEY
- 10 JENKINS, HOLT (JR)

NOTE: PLANS CHANGE
IN STRATEGY FOR
STATE MEET !!

23 DAVE FOY, HOLT (JR)

MANETSCH (CHARACTER SKETCH)

I talked w/ Manetsch this afternoon; he said he ran a good race; "Dave and I helped to push each other," said Scott. I guess Ball out-kicked Manetsch in the last 50 meters. "So it was close!" In talking w/ Scott, it seems as though he is not confident of his kick. He said he likes to go out and get it early; plans to try to lose people like Ball in the middle of the race so he won't have to worry about the last few strides.

Scott was injured last week w/ an ankle strain, but still ran (w/ basket weave taping) in the race Sat. He said it is ok-

This is his first x-c season; but got distance background as a miler (4:24) last spring. Placed @ state.

Gordy Schafer (of Holt and the MMTC) says this kid is a real leader - not a kicker - tough in the first 2/3 'rd of the race, but more likely to give up near the

(BUT RUNS LIKE ITS HIS FOURTH)

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finish. Said, that's what happened last Sat. @ Regionals, BUT, this Scott is good. Has been running for course records quite consistently this fall!

As an example: the CAC meet (Capitol area Conf.) was run @ Grand Ledge last week in 36° weather. Scott won w/ CR time of 15:24 while the regional held there was won in 15:39 in warmer temperatures and more competition. (by Tom Fountain, Mt. Pleasant.) (I might as well list those results here.)

2. Brain Diemer, GR South Chr. @ GRAND LEDGE
3. Chris Gerough, Alma.
4. Dan Bassen, Corvuna
5. Jeff Brazier, GR CC
6. Jim Wooster, Greenville (you know more about him than me)
7. Ken Porter, Kelloggsville
8. Mike McNeal, "
9. Don Passenger, Caledonia
10. Bob Zyouse, Mt Pleasant.

TEAM FINISH - (1) ALMA (2) KELLOGSVILLE (3) GREENVILLE.

I specifically asked Scott if they put their CAC times into the regional times for comparison, would they have beaten ALMA, he said he was quite sure that they would have beaten ALMA.

I asked him what he looked for @ state? If they were thinking State Championship? Who they saw as their biggest competition?

'We've got a good chance, the guys are really 'up' for it. Our 5th man is running better every meet as is Mike Parmelee who missed all summer training as he was in Brazil (or somewhere) [HE WAS A 10:15 2 miler last spring, dipping under 10 minutes once.]

(MIKE PARMELEE (SR) started the season as 6th - 7th man - but has been working it up throughout the season. Is tougher competitor than Drake, capable of running ahead of DRAKE (and you might see that @ State).)

Getting back to what Holts' No. 1 man saw of the future, I hear Fremont is running well; I guess they've got a guy that can beat Ball; I guess they beat Battle Creek Harper Creek already.

I asked (as if I didn't know) - 'who is this no. 1 man?

HE SAID: 'It's some funny name, it starts with an 'F'.

'FARTHERSON' or something like that.

'Oh yes', I said, I know FARTHERSON!!; I think!?'
(SECRETLY IN MY SCOUTING REPORT)

The HOLT team was coached last spring by Duane Spitz; a young guy \neq who knows 100% more than their coach (even though the Holt coach is learning more about distances.) Duane instilled in the Holt runners the idea that HARD work (especially tough intervals) would get them to state this fall. That's what they've been doing... quite well!!

They've been running with less than a 60 second split from 1-5, while @ the MASON invitational they were all within' about 29 seconds!!

SO ITS -

1 MANETSCH

2 DRAKE (running very close to MANETSCH)

3 PARMALE

4 JENKINS

5 FOY

6, AND ANOTHER GUY @ THE 6TH SPOT THAT NOT FAR BEHIND. AND MOVING UP.

ALSO -
experienced
value of the
importance of
summer
distance
workouts.

LET EM' KNOW
EVERYBODY!!

HOLT HS CROSSCOUNTRY IS TOUGH!!
(NO GETTING AROUND IT GUYS!!)

BUT — FREMONT PACKERS — yes — they are tough too!
I genuinely believe that your team is better than
the Holt team; but that will have to be proven this
coming Sat.

Hey Jim — let this guy from Holt know who you are,
what your name is when you step up to get
your medal, eh?? Get on him like 'fly paper'
and stick w/!

As far as the entire team battle — I wish I could
be there to see!!

You guys have the background; you've had superior
training, you have a better coach, you've been
in tougher competition!! And I think you can
beat these guys; the MASON, ALMA, and what-
ever other teams show up next Sat. @ STURGIS!!

YOU HAVE
A SCOUT!!

Herbo will be @ Glen Ellyn Illinois to run the Big 10
meet, I'll be meeting some 'very tough cookies' in
Craig Virgin (Illinois) Gray Meyer (Mich) Mark Johnson,
Steve Lacey (Wisconsin) Tim Byers (Ohio State) ...
and others.

I'll do my best to take care of my competition —
I hope you do the same!!

We'll just have to wait and find out who's the
'baddest of the bad lads!!' eh??

GOOD LUCK —

HERB