

1964-65

Whiteford goes 9-0 on gridiron, 13-4 on court

FACTS & FIGURES

Final records

FALL '64
Football 9-0

WINTER '65
Boys basketball 13-4

SPRING '65
Baseball 4-6
Track 2-2-1

MVPs

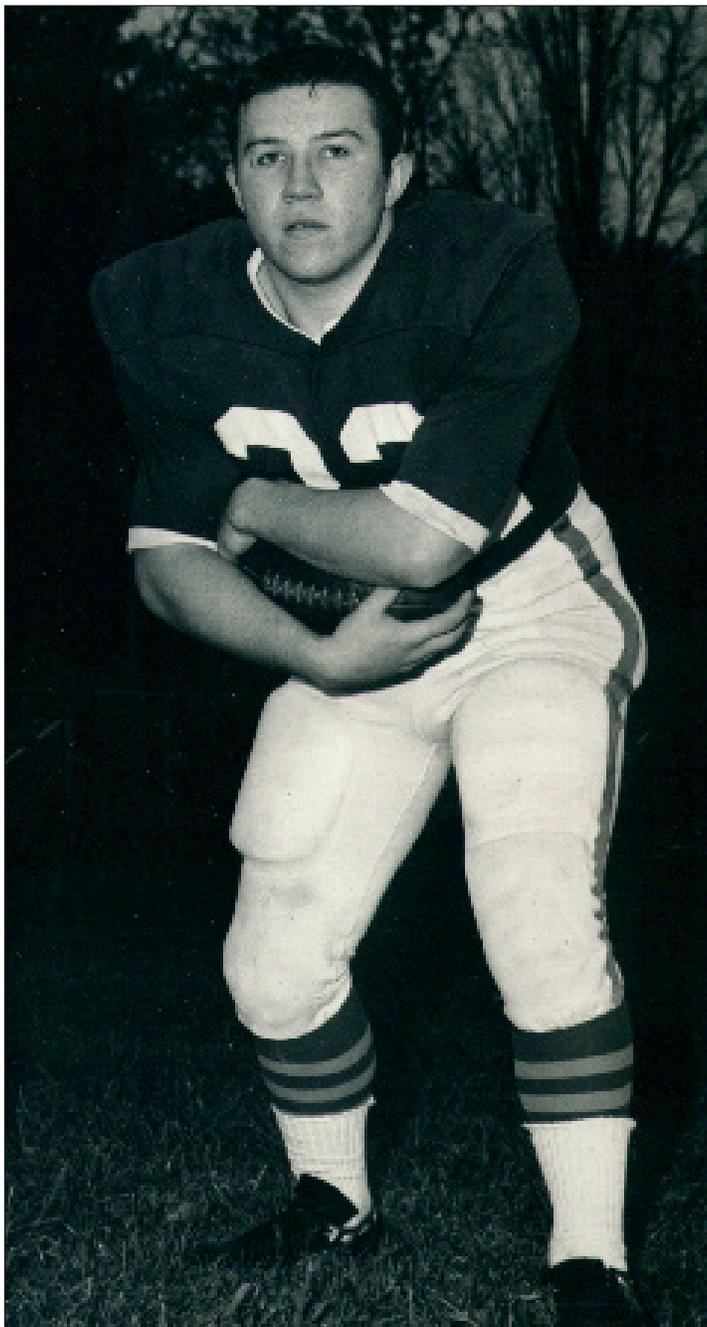
Football: Terry Aldrich
Basketball: Paul Philabaum
Baseball: Barry Kiefer
Track: Not available

River Raisin Conference

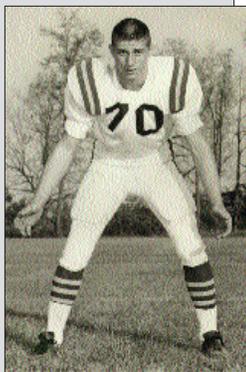
CHAMPIONS
Football: Whiteford
Basketball: Ida
Baseball: Boysville
Track: Ida

All-State

Ron Kubitz, football, first team (AP)
Dick Russell, football, second team (AP)



Jack Luettker was a first team All-RRC performer and leading rusher for the Bobcats.



BOBCAT HEADLINES

- Ron Kubitz (left) was First Team All-State for 9-0 football squad
- Team shuts out five opponents, scores 68 points vs. Deerfield
- Basketball team, despite three losses to Ida, makes brief appearance in state rankings for first time in school history.

NUMBERS, NOTES & QUOTES

FOOTBALL: The first Whiteford team to ever go undefeated, the 1964 Bobcats did it with a terrific defense. Only four of the nine Bobcat opponents even scored as the defense recorded five shutouts. The team finished ranked No. 15 by the Associated Press for Class C-D.

With 126 tackles, MVP Terry Aldrich led the defense. Barry Kiefer, a three-year starting quarterback threw for 478 yards and ran for 348. Only 23 players lettered for the RRC champions.

"We knew we had the finest lineman in our class in the state in (Ron) Kubitz. We knew we had a capable leader in our 135-pound quarterback (Kiefer) playing his third year. We knew Dick Russell would be outstanding. But, it was the other fellows who really came through to make us as strong as we were," Coach Ed Osnowitz was quoted as saying in The Monroe Evening News.

BASKETBALL: Ron Koppelman completed his Bobcat career by playing in just 40 games. The senior who played parts of each season on the varsity had his career hampered by injuries, but still managed to score nearly 600 career points and was just as prolific in rebounding.

Paul Philabaum finished fourth on the team in scoring, but picked up team Most Valuable Player honors after handing out a school-record 84 assists. He had a great all-around season, becoming the first Bobcat ever to have 150 points, 100 rebounds and 80 assists in a single season.

It was a record breaking season altogether for the 13-4 Bobcats. Besides finishing second in the RRC with a 11-3 record, wins, points, game average and several other team marks fell as the Bobcats had their best season ever.

Whiteford posted some lofty numbers on the scoreboard, averaging nearly 75 points per game and topping the 90 point level on four occasions. Three of the four defeats came from a quality Ida Blue Streak team.

BASEBALL: Barry Kiefer (.364), Tom Vesey (.318) and Ron Koppelman (.313) all hit over .300 for the Bobcat baseball team, which saw its RRC championship streak come to an end.

TRACK: Randy Kremetz, a junior, followed up a solid football season by winning another league title in the shot put. He was the only Bobcat to win an RRC title at the league meet.