

# 1969-70

## Football team is only winning Bobcat squad

### FACTS & FIGURES

#### Final records

FALL '69  
Football 6-3

WINTER '70  
Boys basketball 7-12

SPRING '70  
Baseball 4-11  
Track Not available

#### MVPs

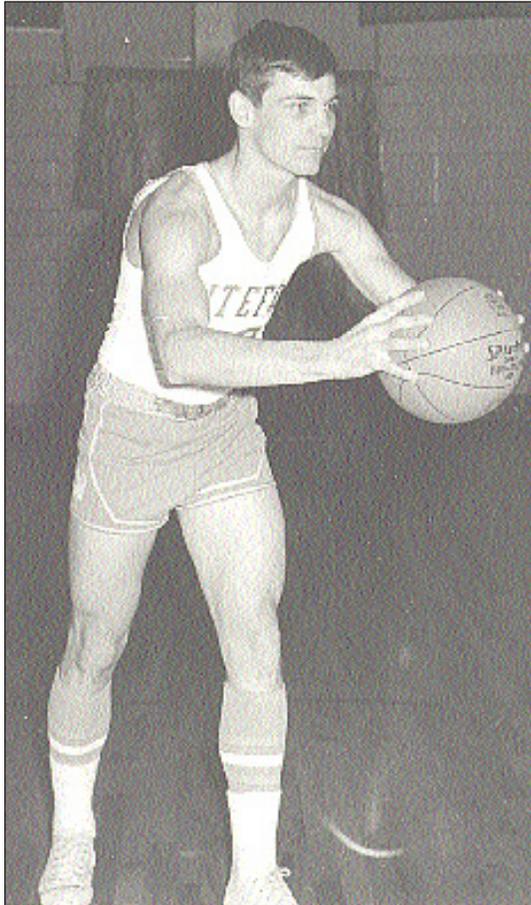
Football: Matt Bieber  
Basketball: Dave Simpson  
Baseball: Mike McGinnis and Ken Bradley  
Track: Not available

#### River Raisin Conference

CHAMPIONS  
Football: Ida  
Basketball: Ida  
Baseball: Sand Creek  
Track: Ida

#### All-State

Jim Strahan, football, HM (AP)



**Dave Simpson** was chosen MVP in basketball and also had strong seasons in football and baseball.

### BOBCATS HEADLINES

- Football team ended season with five game win streak, tied for second in RRC
- Jim Strahan played in every quarter of every football game, blocked two punts, had four fumble recoveries and 126 tackles in All-State type season
- Dave Simpson ended his career as second-leading scorer in Whiteford basketball history
- Bobcats have new coaches in track (Tom Howard) and baseball (Mike Bull).
- Duane Green won the RRC long jump, and was second at Regional
- Whiteford graduate Ken Crots made national news during the 1969 season. The University of Toledo Rocket completed his career in high fashion being named the team's MVP, helping the Rockets to an 11-0 season and No. 20 ranking in the nation. Crots set an NCAA standard by making 77 consecutive extra points in his career and was among the leading scorers among kickers in all of college football. Crots would go on to earn a tryout with the Pittsburgh Steelers and was voted into the Toledo Varsity T Hall of Fame in 1992.

## NUMBERS, NOTES & QUOTES

**FOOTBALL:** Six of the nine Bobcat opponents scored exactly 12 points as Whiteford won six on the year. ... A balanced running-passing attack pushed the Bobcats to the winning season. Dave Simpson became the first Bobcat quarterback to throw for more than 500 yards in a season while MVP Matt Bieber led the rushers with 584 yards. Whiteford ended the season on a five game winning streak after being 1-3

**BASKETBALL:** Dave Simpson completed his fine Bobcat career tied as the second-leading scorer in school history with 724 career points Simpson established his mark by playing in 48 career games and compiling one of the best career averages in school history at 15.1 per game. The senior captain led WHS in scoring with 350 points on the season, including a Bobcat tournament game record 36 points vs. Dundee in the District Tournament. By stepping to the free throw line 163 times and making 94, he set another Bobcat record.

Whiteford played Novi, Milan and Monroe Jefferson - all larger schools - in the Milan Christmas Tournament and won two out of three games.

**BASEBALL:** First-year coach Mike Bull coached the Bobcats to a 4-11 season. Mike Luck led the team with a .425 average while Ken Bradley hit .378. LeRoy Bunge led the squad with 10 RBI. Dave Simpson had three wins on the mound for the Bobcats.

**TRACK:** Tom Howard's first season as track coach included three Regional placers in Duane Green (third in the 100 and second in the long jump) and Matt Bieber (third in low hurdles).