

Volleyball team reaches Class D state semifinals

FACTS & FIGURES

Final records

FALL '76

Football	1-8
Golf	15-1
Girls basketball	10-10

WINTER '77

Boys basketball	13-8
Wrestling	4-8
Volleyball	26-4

SPRING '77

Baseball	11-10
Boys Track	1-9
Girls track	4-5

MVPs

Football: None chosen
 Golf: Doug Hartsel
 Girls basketball: Karen Hubbard
 Boys basketball: Doug Hartsel & Pete Whalen
 Wrestling: John Ybarra
 Volleyball: Lorie Long
 Baseball: Rusty Bitz
 Boys track: Jeff Stark
 Girls track: Molly Bitz

Tri-County Conference

CHAMPIONS
 Football: Britton
 Girls basketball: Whitmore Lake
 Boys basketball: Deerfield
 Volleyball: Whiteford
 Baseball: Whiteford & Summerfield
 Boys track: Summerfield

All-State

Jeff Stark, track, 2nd, pole vault
 Lorie Long, volleyball, 1st team
 Pam Wallace, volleyball, 1st team



Daryl Seigneur (above) placed in the top 10 in the state golf tournament by shooting a 81 at Oak Lawn Golf Club in Webberville. Also that day, Doug Hartsel shot 82, David Seigneur 88 and Mark Stevens 89.

NUMBERS & NOTES

GIRLS BASKETBALL: The 1976 season marked the basketball debut of Karen Hubbard. The freshman Bobcat led the squad in scoring, averaging 13.9 points a game as Whiteford evened its record at 10-10, a nine-game improvement over the previous season. Lorie Long was second on the team in scoring and led the squad in rebounds.

FOOTBALL: Whiteford's only win of the campaign came against Madison in the season opener. The two teams tied for last place in the TCC. The Bobcats were shut out three times and scored only 56 points.

GOLF: Larry Eichler's Bobcats became the first sport in school history to capture a Regional championship, winning the trophy at Whiteford Valley Golf Course, in a 13-shot victory. Doug Hartsel, a four-year veteran, was medalist by shooting a 78 in the Class D event. The next week, at Oak Lane Golf Club in Webberville, the Bobcats placed sixth, shooting a 340. Daryl Seigneur's 81 led Whiteford, putting him 9th.

BOYS BASKETBALL: The Bobcats won 13 games on the season and placed three players into the 200-point club. Pete Whalen (261), David Perry (248) and Darren Sims (247) each collected lofty scoring totals, as did two other starters, Doug Hartsel and Marvin Briskey.

VOLLEYBALL: In just its fifth season of volleyball being a varsity sport, the Whiteford team went all the way to the state semifinals. Led by First Team All-TCC and All-Staters Pam Wallace and Lorie Long, the Bobcats also won the Tri-County Conference title. Barb Cline and Karen Hubbard were second team All-TCC selections.

GIRLS TRACK: Whiteford nearly had another state champion in track when Jeff Stark took a second place in the state meet in the pole vault. He also was second in the Regional. The Bobcats girls track team once again placed third in the Regional as a host of Bobcats had big days. Lorie Long won the shot put and finished third in the discus. Kathy Hubbard won the discus and was third in the shot put. Molly Bitz was second in the two-mile and fifth in the mile, Karen Markel third in the 220, Luanna Myers third in the 880, Karen Hubbard was fourth in the discus, Janet LaPointe fifth in the 880 and the 440 relay was fifth. At the state meet, Bitz finished seventh in the two-mile, Long fifth in the shot put and Markel eighth in the 220.

BASEBALL: Dean Olrich had a sensational baseball season, batting .452, driving in 25 runs and winning four times on the mound while Rusty Bitz hit .418 with 29 RBI with five wins and John Nieman scored 28 times.

BOBCAT HEADLINES

- Cross country ended its stint as a varsity sport at Whiteford
- Karen Hubbard made her debut, leading the girls basketball squad in scoring
- Jeff Stark placed second at state in the pole vault
- Regional champion golf team finished sixth in state meet. Doug Hartsel was Regional champ
- Kris Knisel's volleyball team won the Tri-County Conference and Regional championships, advanced to the state tournament by beating Pottersville and lost to Battle Creek St. Phillip in the state semifinal game. The Bobcats went 26-4 on the year
- Jack Luettke's baseball team claimed its first league championship since 1966, winning the Tri-County Conference
- John Ybarra and Jerry Bunge each were state qualifiers for the state wrestling meet