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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

SCOTS RIDE PASSING MARKS TO WINNING GRID SEASON

EDINBORO, PA. - Edinboro State's 1974 gridgers battled a rash of injuries and a schedule filled with impressive opponents to finish with a successful 5-2-2 season while revising five Fighting Scot passing records.

Quarterback Jude Basile led the aerial assault as he notched new marks for the most yards in a game (250 vs. Indiana), most yards in a season (1,175), most career yards (2,013) and most career completions (137). Early next season the junior passing ace, who has a two-year total of 13 scoring tosses, should eclipse the career touchdown passing record of 15 held by past Scot great, Joe Sanford.

Basile accounted for 1,175 yards in the air as he connected on 79 of 166 attempts for the Scots and found his receivers in the endzone six times.

Combined with sophomore quarterback Dan McHenry's 212 yards, the Scots etched a fifth passing mark in the ESC record book with a team total of 1,387 yards. The previous single season high was 1,303 registered by the Scots' 1968 squad.

Soph speedster Howard Hackley pulled down the most aerial fireworks with his 31 grabs for 472 yards. In just two seasons, Hackley tied Jim Romaniszyn's career reception record of 57 and will be looking to become the all-time leader in next year's first grid clash. With 896 yards already to his credit, the young Scot is

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just 192 yards shy of Romaniszyn's career record which reads 1,088. Hackley proved to also be a threat on the kickoff return unit where he led the stats with 181 yards in 10 tries for a respectable 18.1 yards per return.

Rounding out the remaining pass receiving leaders were Paul Snell (11 grabs, 149 yds.), Rod Jones (10 catches, 234 yds.), Steve Larson (10-181 yds.), Wes Bain (10-152 yds.) and Rich Holmes (10-142 yds.). All but Larson saw action in every contest.

The talented sophomore tight end averaged 18.1 yards per catch on his 10 receptions while playing in only four games. He suffered a knee injury which sidelined him for the remainder of the season.

Junior fullback Rich Holmes was the main cog in the Scots' ground attack. The 6-1, 210-pounder powered his way to 480 hard earned yards while averaging a very respectable 3.8 yards per try. Holmes bulldozed his way into the endzone seven times to run away with the Scot scoring race via his 42 points. His closest competitor was Hackley who tallied three scores for 18 points.

Runnerup honors in the rushing stats went to speedy Bob Glaser. The sophomore tailback galloped for 292 yards and had the team's best per carry average with his 4.7 yards per try showing.

Melvin Morrisette, who saw action in only three games and then underwent knee surgery, was next on the charts with 206 yards.

Defensively, senior linebackers Jim McClure and Mike Schnirel claimed the top tackling honors with 104 hits a piece. They were followed by senior defensive end John Bayer (70), sophomore tackle Jeff Shaw (57), freshman middle guard Ron Gooden (56), sophomore defensive back George Miller (54) and junior tackle Rich Radzavich (50).

David Selgh grabbed the number one spot in fumble recoveries by pouncing on three loose pigskins, while he and teammate George Miller shared the lead in interceptions with two thefts a piece.

Junior place kicker, Larry Littler, extended his streak of extra point conversions by booting eleven straight PAT's. He has a two-year mark of 15 consecutive extra point conversions and has an opportunity to best Tom Rockwell's record of 18 straight.

Edinboro State coach Bill McDonald boosted his six-year record to read 34-17-5 with the winning 1974 slate. After awarding 45 varsity letters, the Scot mentor will anxiously await the 1975 campaign since only five seniors leave the squad. Completing their careers in an ESC uniform were John Bayer, Rod Jones, Jim McClure, Mike Schnirel and Paul Snell.



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TALENTED VETS MAKE SCOTS A CONTENDER

EDINBORO, PA. - Impressive winning records have become a trademark at Edinboro State under Coach Jim McDonald and the Scots' 1974-75 basketball campaign should hold true to form. McDonald has nine lettermen returning from a club that went 18-6 last year and has already added a crop of talented new faces who will be pressing veterans for starting roles.

All-America Honorable Mention winner, Dennis Hampton, will undoubtedly fight off all the challengers to regain his spot under the boards. The 6-5 forward averaged 12.3 ppg and 10.3 rebounds enroute to numerous post season honors. During his junior campaign, the high-leaping Scot was named to the NAIA's All-District First Team, the Pittsburgh Press All-District First Team and was a Pennsylvania Conference and Erie Morning News Second Team winner.

Also back to help under the hoop are double digit scorers James Boyd (6-4, sr., F) and Charlie Hickox (6-6, sr., C). Boyd clipped the net at a 12.5 pace, while Hickox was right behind hammering in 11.4 points per game. Hickox proved equally effective in the rebounding department where he cleared the glass 226 times to average 9.4 grabs per outing.

Veteran backup power is on hand with 6-6, senior forward Don Gerdich, who found time to haul down 111 rebounds and toss in 81 markers through the 1973-74 varsity schedule. Also available is 6-7 Ron Beckett (jr., F) who has the needed experience to be a big help under the hoop.

Challenging the veterans is 6-10 junior college transfer Brad Draper, who comes to the Scots via Mott Junior College in Flint, Michigan, where he averaged 13 points per game and hauled down rebounds at an 11.1 rate.

However, ESC mentor Jim McDonald still feels that his team's primary weakness is the lack of a real strong man who can dominate play off the boards. To compensate for this, the Scot mentor is blessed with depth at all positions and exceptional speed among his 1974-75 hopefuls.

A quartet of letter-winning guards will be joined by four more transfers in what could prove to be the biggest battle of the season. The list of returnees includes Larry Betar (6-2, sr.), Bill Lentz (6-2, jr.), Tim Smiley (6-0, so.) and Alonzo Craig (6-3, so.).

Smiley came on strong late in the season to hammer in 228 points while just missing the double figure column with his 9.9 points per game average. He finished as the team's leading scorer as a regular starter in four of Edinboro's last six games.

Betar, Craig and Lentz followed Smiley in the scoring column with respective 7.8, 7.0 and 5.5 points per game averages. Betar claimed the top honors in assists with 140 to his credit while his 20 passes that led to scores against California set a new ESC mark. Craig proved most valuable in coming off the bench to spark several rallies with spectacular shooting. Lentz was equally impressive with late game heroics that insured Fighting Scot victories.

Among the transfers vying for varsity playing time at the guard spots are Kevin Winch (5-11, so.), Glenn Lett (5-10, so.), Fred Simmons (6-3, so.) and Don Childs (6-3, jr.).

In spite of the abundance of talent, Coach Jim McDonald is still cautious when it comes to predicting success for his team in both the district and the conference. "Since I've been at Edinboro, I've never seen as balanced a district as there is this year," claimed McDonald. "Any of eight different teams could win it all. The conference," he continued, "is strong because everyone has so many returning lettermen."

Although the Fighting Scots may not emerge as the top team in the area, McDonald's cagers will still have to be reckoned with. In his twelve years at the helm, his teams have never experienced a losing season, while registering a remarkable 159 wins against only 82 losses. The 1974-75 campaign should keep pace with that winning precedent.

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EDINBORO STATE 1974-75 VARSITY ROSTER

<u>NO</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>POS</u>	<u>HT</u>	<u>WT</u>	<u>YR</u>	<u>HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL</u>
22-23	**Ron Beckett	F	6-7	180	Jr.	Elyria, O./Elyria
30-31	**Larry Betar	G	6-2	170	Sr.	Altoona/Altoona Area
34-35	*James Boyd	F	6-4	170	Sr.	Benton Harbor, Mich./Benton Harbor
52-53	Don Childs	G	6-3	170	Jr.	Benton Harbor, Mich./Benton Harbor
14-15	*Alonzo Craig	G	6-3	175	So.	Ft. Wayne, Ind./R. Nelson Snider
50-51	Brad Draper	C	6-10	200	Jr.	Davison, Mich./Davison
24-25	***Don Gerdich	F-C	6-6	108	Sr.	McKeesport/McKeesport Area
32-33	*Dennis Hampton	F	6-5	190	Sr.	Chicago, Ill./Harlan
40-41	*Charlie Hickox	C	6-6	190	Sr.	Parkersburg, W. Va./Parkersburg
44-45	**Bill Lentz	G	6-2	185	Jr.	Allentown/Salisbury
12-13	Glenn Lett	G	5-11	185	So.	Detroit, Mich./Southeastern
42-43	Fred Simmons	G	6-3	180	So.	Edinboro/General McLane
20-21	*Tim Smiley	G	6-0	175	So.	Ft. Wayne, Ind./Wayne
10-11	Kevin Winch	G	5-11	160	So.	Pittsburgh/Penn Hills

EDINBORO STATE 1974-75 VARSITY SCHEDULE

Dec. 2	CZECHOSLOVAKIA NAT'L TEAM (Exhibition game)	Jan. 27	ST. VINCENT
Dec. 4	BALDWIN-WALLACE	Jan. 29	POINT PARK
Dec. 7	*at Clarion	Feb. 1	*INDIANA
Dec. 9	MANSFIELD	Feb. 5	MERCYHURST
Dec. 11	*CALIFORNIA	Feb. 8	*at California
Dec. 14	*SLIPPERY ROCK	Feb. 12	*CLARION
Dec. 16	BEHREND	Feb. 15	*LOCK HAVEN
Jan. 7	at Mercyhurst	Feb. 18	*at Indiana
Jan. 11	at Point Park (2:00 p.m.)	Feb. 22	*at Slippery Rock
Jan. 13	at St. Vincent	Feb. 24	ALLIANCE
Jan. 17	*at Lock Haven	Feb. 26	at Frostburg
Jan. 25	FROSTBURG		

*Pennsylvania Conference Games
Varsity Games 8:00 p.m.



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UNBEATEN SCOT RUNNERS SEEK NCAA NATIONAL CROWN

EDINBORO, PA. - Edinboro State's unbeaten cross country team will attempt to cap one of its most outstanding seasons this Saturday when the Running Scots bid for the NCAA Division II National Title at Springfield, Missouri.

"We really do have a chance," advanced the Scot Coach, Doug Watts, "because we have more depth than any small college team in the country--it just depends upon the quality of performance we get at the front of our group."

Chief competition will come from last year's champs, South Dakota State University, a team returning three All-Americans including 1973's Individual champion, Australian Gary Beatley.

The home team, Southwest Missouri State, is also given an even chance for the trophy. Southwest returns one All-American, five members of last year's runner-up team and has added two junior college All-Americans to its squad.

Enroute to their quest for a national title, the Fighting Scots finished the year with an 8-0 record, captured the Malone Invitational championship, won a second straight Pennsylvania Conference crown and registered a high finish in the prestigious Notre Dame Invitational. The Scots claimed the state crown scoring a record-low 28 points as all seven Scot runners earned All-Conference honors by finishing among the top fourteen places.

Individually, Edinboro has been paced by sophomore sensation Kevin Foley

(Willowick, Ohio) who ran to six straight first place finishes in the Scots' dual competition. A sure All-American candidate, Foley set numerous course records, many at the expense of Edinboro's six-time All-American, Dave Antognóll, and completely outran the field to claim the Pennsylvania Conference's individual title.

Watts believes that junior John Foreman (Altoona) also has a chance to earn All-America honors at the national meet. "He is our most experienced runner and the terrain at Springfield suits his style of running," projected Watts.

The only other upperclassman, sophomore Mark Linder (Cincinnati, Ohio) can be counted upon to give his usual solid performance.

Freshmen hold down the number two, three, four and six spots on the team. Jeff Foster (St. Marys), Henry Winger (Oil City) and Dalvin Baehler (Austintown, Ohio) have been Edinboro State's top point getters throughout the season. Winger blazed his way to third place honors at the PC meet while Baehler and Foster were not far behind with seventh and ninth place finishes.

After a slow start due to an injury, freshman Bruce Rapose (Conneaut, Ohio) has fought his way into the pack and could also be ready for a top notch performance in Missouri. The young Scot was the fifth ESC thinciad to cross the line at the PC meet and finished tenth.

"The real question is whether any team, in any sport, can win a national championship with 60 percent of its members freshmen," summarized Watts. "Especially a sport where endurance is a primary factor. But we are confident and guarantee our best effort. It will be up to the other teams to beat us, we will not beat ourselves."



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SCOTS HOST VULCANS IN SEASON FINALE

Edinboro State will be seeking a successful end to a frustrating yet respectable 1974 campaign this Saturday when the Scots host California in the season finale for both teams.

ESC will undoubtedly not be able to keep pace with the offensive displays they've fired at the Vulcans for the past four years while registering lop-sided wins. In those meetings Edinboro averaged an awesome 40.5 points per game and limited the Fire Gods to 11 points per clash.

California is prepared to halt a repeat of past high scoring performances with the biggest defensive unit the Scots have faced all season. Across the front the Fire Gods count on Terry Zinger (E, 5-11, 235), Jim Verostek (T, 6-4, 245), Dave Robey (T, 6-5, 235) and Ken Tressler (6-0, 200). Linebackers Tim Susick (6-1, 210) and Greg Zigray (6-2, 215) are also on hand to hinder Edinboro's chances of moving the football.

Currently 4-2-2 on the season, Edinboro exploded in the second half against Kenyon last week to snap a string of eight scoreless quarters. The Scots tacked on a pair of fourth period TD's to notch a come-from-behind 22-21 victory over the Lords.

The late game surge gave indications that ESC's offensive unit, which stalled in mid-season because of injuries, might have found itself once again.

California will have to contain both the running of fullback Rich Holmes and the passing of Jude Basile if the Vulcans have any hopes of halting the Scots revitalized offense.

Basile, who now owns four Edinboro passing records, has thrown for 1,072 yards while hitting 68 of 149 attempts. He has set ESC marks for the most yards in a game (250), most yards in a season (1,072), most yards-career (1,910) and most completions-career (126).

The junior aerial artist missed one game due to a strained arm muscle and saw only limited action two weeks ago. Although he was intercepted twice, he appeared to be near full strength against Kenyon last Saturday with his 215 yards passing.

Fullback Rich Holmes, also coming off an injury, had his best rushing afternoon against Kenyon with his 136 yards in 21 carries. The powerful junior is now the sixth top runner in the PC Western Division with 443 yards in 110 tries to show an impressive 4.0 yards every time he carries the football. Holmes' 42 points on 7 touchdowns leads the team and places him fourth in the division's scoring race.

Edinboro wide receiver, Howard Hackley, needs to haul down five passes against the Vulcans to become the Scots' career reception leader. In two varsity seasons he has grabbed a total of 53 passes, only four away from the record of 57 set by Jim Romaniszyn.

Hackley is currently the third best receiver in the Western Division with 400 yards on his 27 receptions.

California's secondary will receive further testing from surprising Rod Jones who sparked the Scots' win over Kenyon. The senior tight end snared six passes for 164 yards and outran the Lords on a 76-yard TD jaunt. Jones' total was just four yards shy of the Scots' single game record.

His top notch performance was noted by the Scots coaching staff as he was selected "Offensive Player of the Week" along with defensive end John Bayer who won

the defensive honor.

Pointing to halt the Vulcans hopes of getting on the scoreboard are Edinboro defensive leaders Jim McClure and Mike Schnirel. The senior linebackers have combined for 186 tackles in eight games with McClure registering 94 hits and Schnirel totaling 92.

Seeing collegiate action for the last time in the 1:30 p.m. fray are Edinboro seniors John Bayer, Rod Jones, Jim McClure, Mike Schnirel and Paul Snell. The quintet will be given special recognition during the pre-game introductions.

The contest also marks the Scots annual "High School Day" as numerous students and high school groups have been invited to visit the campus and be the College's guests at the game.



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EDINBORO, KENYON HOPE FOR SPARK
FROM REBUILT OFFENSIVE UNITS

EDINBORO, PA. - A complete about-face from last week's performances will be the goals of both Edinboro State and Kenyon when the pair collide on the gridiron at Gambier, Ohio, this Saturday afternoon at 1:30 p.m.

Injuries have plagued key personnel on both teams' offensive units which has drastically changed early season high hopes. The losses were extremely evident this past weekend as the Scots were shut out 19-0 at Shippensburg while Kenyon dropped a 7-6 tilt to Grove City.

Kenyon's biggest jolt came two weeks ago when quarterback Pat Clements broke his leg against Oberlin. Clements, who had already passed for a remarkable 1,524 yards and 10 touchdowns in just six games, was bidding to become only the third player in NCAA history to win back-to-back college division passing titles. The senior struck for 1,758 yards in the air a year ago to capture the 1973 passing crown.

Equally impressive have been the pass-catching antics of Kenyon's Jim Myers, currently the nation's top college division receiver. Clements' absence has hurt Myers, but he has still managed to snare 66 receptions for 1,222 yards. Myers has already surpassed his totals of 60 catches and 914 yards which gave him national runner-up honors in his junior year. The All-America candidate has also pulled down nine scoring aeriels this fall.

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Freshman John Forgrave has stepped in to replace Clements as Kenyon's signal caller and is joined in the Lords' backfield by fullback Craig Davidson (6-0, 205).

Edinboro will have to depend on its defensive unit which has been fairly respectable against passing attacks this season while allowing 125 yards per game in the air. The Scots have also given ground grudgingly against impressive running teams. Most noteworthy was ESC's 7-7 deadlock against Slippery Rock which is the only blemish on the Rockets' record thus far this season.

Forming the Scots' front wall are end John Bayer (6-2, 215), tackle Jeff Shaw (6-2, 220), middle guard Ron Gooden (6-4, 250), tackle Rich Radzavich (6-4, 255) and end Jan Gefert (6-1, 205). Both Jim Barto (6-2, 195) and Don Dlugos (6-3, 240) also see much action in ESC's first line of defense.

The top two tacklers on the club have been senior linebackers Mike Schnirel and Jim McClure, who are separated by just three hits on the season. Schnirel has totaled 88 stops on opposing runners while McClure is close behind with 85.

Scheduled to get a heavy workout against Kenyon's passing game is the Scots' secondary of George Miller, Dave Seigh, Dan Smith and Jim Terry. Miller and Smith lead this quartet on the tackling charts with identical totals of 43 stops in seven games.

Fighting Scot mentor Bill McDonald is not sure whether his regular signal caller, Jude Basile, will be ready to see action against the Lords. He played sparingly in the Shippensburg contest, but appeared to still be hampered by an arm injury he received in the Scots' 21-21 tie with Clarion three weeks ago.

Sophomore understudy Dan McHenry appears to have found his bearings at the signal caller's slot where he has connected on 15 of 30 tries for 212 yards and one touchdown. McHenry will undoubtedly receive the starting nod should Basile's status be at all questionable.

Edinboro's running tandem against the Lords will be power churning fullback Rich Holmes (6-0, 210) and speedy tailback Bob Glaser (5-9, 160). Holmes has

bulldozed his way for 307 yards and six touchdowns while averaging 3.4 per try through the opponent's line. Glaser showcases the team's best per-carry average with his 4.8 yards every time he touches the pigskin.

Wide receiver Howard Hackley still owns the team's best receiving marks with 21 catches for 353 yards. The elusive sophomore now owns a two-year career total of 777 yards in the receiving department which is just 311 away from Jim Romaniszyn's record total of 1,088.

The Scots, who currently stand 3-2-2 on the year, will be looking for a victory that would assure Edinboro of a winning season. On the other hand, Kenyon with its 2-4-1 record, needs successful encounters against both Edinboro and Centre College to close out the year at the .500 mark.

Edinboro State will complete its schedule at home next Saturday when the Scots host the Vulcans of California at 1:30 p.m. in Sox Harrison Stadium.



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RUNNING SCOTS LOOK TO CONTINUE UNBEATEN

EDINBORO, PA. - The usually always optimistic Edinboro State Cross Country Coach, Doug Watts, hedged for the first time in many years in assessing his team's outlook for 1974.

"It's not because we lack the talent that I hesitate to predict championship team performances for my men, but I'm afraid this may be the year bad luck takes its toll," advanced Watts.

It took no longer than the opening day practice for Watts' fears to be realized as three top runners returned injured. Senior captain Mark Roche (Cochran), the school record holder in the mile (4:09.8) and 880 yard runs (1:53.7), fell through a greenhouse this summer severely slashing his legs and has just recently started walking again. Joe Come (Edinboro), number three man on last year's undefeated team, aggravated an injury on his summer job and has not been able to resume training. Also missing from practice sessions is standout middle distance performer, Mark Ladika (Corry), who has torn knee ligaments.

For any other team, the loss of three top performers would be devastating, but the powerful Scots would seem to be only slightly weakened.

Still listed on the roster is sophomore Kevin Foley (Willowick, O), Ohio's District three-mile champion and a 7th place finisher at the NAIA national meet in the six-mile run.

"Kevin will be an All American this fall because he has the talent, desire and mental readiness," beamed Watts.

Expected to be close behind Foley are John Foreman (Altoona) and Bruce Rapose (Conneaut, O.). Foreman, a junior, was the district steeplechase champion last spring and led the Scots last fall with a 31st place in the National Cross Country meet. Rapose will certainly surprise many opponents since he really didn't get a change to perform to the best of his ability last year due to an injury.

Three other experienced runners will make a bid to be among the top five men on the team. Sophomore Dennis Packard (Buffalo, NY) appears to have overcome injuries that plagued him last year while Pat Logue (Montoursville) and Mark Linder (Cincinnati, O.) have improved.

Several other upperclassmen could spark the team. Brad Starkey (Seville, O.) and Brian Bach (Erie) have talent that might blossom this year.

Yet the degree of success the running Scots experience will probably depend upon the freshmen.

"If the new recruits perform well, nobody will beat us," stated Watts, who has been impressed with his new challengers through early season practices.

Jeff Foster (St. Marys), the Pa. State Cross Country champion, has the talent to be a national caliber runner. Oil City's Henry Winger, third in the high school championship run, has been performing at a level that is sure to place him among the top finishers. The list of new talent continues with Dalvin Bachler (Youngstown, O.) 6th in Ohio's State AAA race, Steve Hair (North East), a second place finisher in the State "B" mile, Robert Taylor (Franklin), Mike Sprys (Pittsburgh), and Mike Yarosik (Irwin).

Last year, the traditionally tough Scots romped through their dual match season with a perfect 10-0 record, captured the Pennsylvania Conference championship, sped to the NAIA District 18 title and then continued with a third place national finish at

the NAIA meet. The Scots also came up with top notch performances at the Canisius, the Malone and the Notre Dame Invitationals.

Under Watts, the Scots have racked up a five-year total of 36 wins against only 8 losses in dual meet competition. Both his 1970 and 1973 teams captured the Pennsylvania cross country title. His track teams have nailed down two straight PC crowns as well as District 18 titles while Watts has been named Area VIII Track Coach of the Year for two consecutive seasons.

"I think we can still finish undefeated and take home the State championship trophy again," predicted the young coach. "As far as finishing high nationally, well, let's wait and see what Lady Luck has in store for us."

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1974 CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

September 14	CALIFORNIA STATE (11:00)
September 18	at Clarion State (4:30)
September 21	SLIPPERY ROCK STATE (11:00)
September 28	at Malone Invitational
October 8	INDIANA UNIV. OF PA. (4:00)
October 11	at Notre Dame Invitational
October 15	at Mount Union (4:00)
October 19	NAIA District 18 Meet at Indiana Univ.
October 23	at Akron University (4:00)
October 26	at Canisius Invitational
November 2	PC Meet at California State



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SHIPPENSBURG AWAITS INJURY RIDDLED SCOTS

EDINBORO, PA. - Edinboro State pits its injury-riddled offense against one of the conference's most improved teams this Saturday when the Scots limp to Shippensburg State for a 1:30 battle with the 5-2 Red Raiders.

Third year coach Gene Epley has rounded his squad into one of the most surprising Western Division teams as the Raiders have dropped only hard fought contests against conference powerhouses Slippery Rock and Indiana. The Red Raiders are coming off impressive wins over Lock Haven (33-7) and California (28-0) via one of the Western Division's top backfields.

The Scots will be confronted with the task of stopping running backs Rick Diggs and Rene Posey who have compiled for 178 yards per game between them. Only Slippery Rock standout Ed O'Reilly has topped Diggs' rushing and scoring stats in the Western Division race. The Shippensburg senior has churned out 733 yards to average 104.7 yards per game while totaling 10 touchdowns.

His running mate, Rene Posey, also ranks among the Western rushing leaders with a 510 yard output to sport a flashy 72.9 per game mark.

The Scots' secondary will have to stay honest in defending against quarterback Randy Stamets who has connected 39 times for 627 yards and five aerial scores.

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Still to be reckoned with is Shippensburg return artist Dan Searer, the fourth best kickoff return specialist in the country a week ago. Searer is averaging 29.8 yards per kickoff return and is equally impressive running back punts where he shows a 23.0 average. The speedy senior has recorded returns of 88 and 83 yards for touchdowns this season.

The Red Raiders claim the conference's second best defensive unit, allowing 129 yards per game in the rushing department and 115 passing. Anchoring Shippensburg's stubborn defensive corps are All-Conference linebacker Al Seagraves (5-11, 210), middle guard Vince DeBona (5-11, 225) and linebacker Tony Winter (6-0, 200). Seagraves leads the trio with 90 tackles on the year.

The conference clash spells double trouble for Edinboro coach Bill McDonald who must contend with the fired-up Red Raiders and, likewise, must replace five of eleven offensive starters. Not only is tailback Melvin Morrisette gone from the ESC backfield, but, last week, regular quarterback Jude Basile was sidelined with strained arm muscles, and, late in the game, fullback Richard Holmes was injured. McDonald has already given the nod to Dan McHenry as the Scots starting signal caller and has Jeff Bruce slated to open at fullback.

Holmes currently owns the Scots' top running stats with 265 yards in six games for a 3.4 per try average and leads in scoring with six touchdowns. Filling in for the injured Basile, McHenry hit on 10 of 21 tries for 123 yards and one TD in the Scots' 14-0 win over Lock Haven. Basile, who now owns four ESC throwing marks, shows 843 yards in his five starts while pitching for three touchdowns.

Top target in the Edinboro passing game has been elusive wide receiver Howard Hackley. The sure-handed sophomore has pulled down 20 tosses for 348 yards and two touchdowns.

Linebackers Mike Schnirel and Jim McClure still share the top tackling honors on Edinboro's defensive unit with respective 78 and 76 totals.

Edinboro will continue its road campaign the following weekend with a trip to Gambier, Ohio to play the Lords of Kenyon College and then completes its season on November 9 by hosting California State.



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PASSING DUEL SLATED FOR SCOTS' HOMECOMING AGAINST LOCK HAVEN

EDINBORO, PA. - An aerial fireworks barrage appears to be in store for those who view Edinboro State's Homecoming clash this Saturday when the Fighting Scots host the Bald Eagles of Lock Haven State College.

The air over Sox Harrison Stadium should be filled with footballs when the Scots' record-breaking passer, Jude Basile, meets up with Lock Haven signal caller Dave Bower.

In just his second season as a varsity starter, Basile, from Summerhill, Pa., has set four ESC throwing marks and currently ranks among the nation's top ten passers with his 168.6 yards per game average. The strong-armed junior revised three Scot standards last week when he claimed top honors in career completions (112), career passing (1,681) and eclipsed his own season passing mark with his 843 yards in five games.

Basile's 250-yard output against Indiana gave him a fourth record as he surpassed Joe Sanford's single-game high of 247 yards against Clarion in 1971.

To date, the Notre Dame transfer has hit on 54 of 115 tosses while finding receivers in the end zone on three occasions.

Lock Haven's Bower has been more impressive in the completion department where he has connected on 73 of 126 attempts for 647 yards and three scores.

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Both quarterbacks have been frustrated, however, in their efforts to get their teams on the winning track. Edinboro shows only one loss on the season in five tries, yet a pair of ties have slowed the Scots down in the victory column. Lock Haven's fate has been much bleaker as the Bald Eagles are still looking for their first win after five games.

Edinboro's offensive efforts have been hampered by injuries which claimed tailback Melvin Morrisette, the team's leading rusher, guard Andre Wachenheimer and tight end Steve Larson.

Coach Bill McDonald has turned to fullback Rich Holmes and tailback Bob Glaser to carry the Scots' running game while wide receivers Howard Hackley, Paul Snell and Wes Bain are busy hauling down Basile's tosses.

Defensively, the Clansmen will count on linebackers Jim McClure and Mike Schnirel, along with the front five of Jan Gefert (6-1, 205), Rich Radzavich (6-4, 255), Ron Gooden (6-4, 250), Jeff Shaw (6-2, 220) and John Bayer (6-2, 215).

Destined for a busy afternoon in Scot secondary is the Edinboro quartet of George Miller, Dave Seigh, Dan Smith and Jim Terry. All four own an interception on the year with Seigh picking off a pair to lead the corps.

Giving them the most problems should be wingback Jerome Conlon who has grabbed 25 of Bower's passes for 220 yards. The speedy Conlon likewise spearheads the Eagles' ground game where he has collected 106 yards rushing.

If past confrontations between these two are any indication of what fans can expect Saturday, the ESC scoreboard should get a workout. In the last five years, Edinboro and Lock Haven have locked up for the highest scoring contests in the conference by averaging a combined 64 points per clash.

Edinboro's annual Homecoming Day festivities will get underway at noon with a 68-unit parade that will proceed to Sox Harrison Stadium for the 2:00 p.m. kickoff between the Scots and the Eagles.



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SCOTS BACK IN UNDERDOG ROLE AGAINST CLARION

Edinboro State, still reeling from a 25-7 thumping by Indiana (Pa.) tries to regroup its forces this Saturday when the Scots visit the high flying Clarion Golden Eagles.

The Scots, now 2-1-1 on the year, will have to find a way to contain the Western Division's best offensive unit in a Clarion team that is piling up 406 yards per game. Coach Al Jack's Eagles hold a 3-1 season card having been topped only by powerful West Chester, 19-3, after rolling over Kings Point, 31-13, Central Connecticut, 30-20, and Lock Haven, 37-0.

Clarion's Golden Ones have chewed up 242.5 yards per game on the ground behind running backs Jim Fulton and Steve Nolan while adding impressive aerial yardage off the arm of quarterback John Harlacher.

Fulton and Nolan are currently the number three and four top rushers in the Western Division with their respective 5.2 and 5.7 per carry averages. Nolan holds the edge in the scoring race with three touchdowns to his credit.

While Harlacher has the conference's top receiver in Tom West (40 catches, 523 yds. in 1973) on tap again, he has found an equally effective target in Ron Partridge. West has hauled down eight strikes for 136 yards that fall, but Partridge leads all the division receivers with 15 receptions for 392 yards and four touchdowns.

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With their passing game shifted into high gear behind the aerial antics of signal caller Jude Basile, the Scots are hoping that tailback Melvin Morrisette can return to help spark the running attack.

Morrisette missed the entire game against Indiana after pacing the Scots rushing stats with 206 yards in his first three games. The strong running junior was held out of action after being injured in the Slippery Rock contest.

Basile, in just his second year of varsity play, is on the verge of breaking several Edinboro State passing records. The ESC junior needs to complete only one pass against Clarion to establish a new career completion record. He currently shares the record of 105 successful attempts with Mike Malone who guided the Scots from 1964 through 1966.

Should Basile hit his passing average of 170 yards per game, he will also own both the season and career air records for the Scots. The Summerhill, Pa., product needs only 158 yards to surpass the Edinboro career passing mark of 1,678 yards and 156 yards to eclipse his record of a year ago when he totaled 838 yards in a single season.

Also well on his way to becoming the number one receiver in Edinboro's history is fleet-footed sophomore Howard Hackley who has grabbed 36 tosses for 640 yards. The career mark is 1,088 yards which Jim Romaniszyn tucked away from 1970 to 1972. Hackley is the tops, yardage-wise, among Scot receivers with 216 yards on 10 grabs this year.

Right behind Hackley are tight end Steve Larson (10 rec., 181 yds), wide receiver Paul Snell (8 rec., 108 yds) and Wes Bain (7 rec., 116 yds).

To complement the passing attack should Morrisette not be ready to return, ESC coach Bill McDonald will again call on tailback Bob Glaser. The speedy sophomore has carried the football only 23 times this year, but is averaging 3.9 yards per try.

Spurting the Scots defensively will be linebackers Mike Schnirel and Jim McClure. The pair have see-sawed for the tackling honors through the first four

games with Schnirel now totaling 53 stops and McClure showing 51 hits.

Adding fuel to Clarion's hopes for a second straight win is the stinging memory of a 23-22 setback at Edinboro a year ago. That loss came when the Scots' Larry Littler booted a 40-yard field goal into the wind to give ESC the 1-point victory.

Edinboro State will return home next week for a homecoming tilt against Lock Haven State. The homecoming festivities are scheduled to get underway at 12:00 noon, with the Edinboro-Lock Haven kickoff slotted for 2:00 p.m.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

BIG INDIANS, PARENTS GREET FIGHTING SCOTS

EDINBORO, PA. - Unbeaten Edinboro State will be ready for an uprising this Saturday afternoon when the Big Indians of Indiana University invade Sox Harrison Stadium for a 1:30 p.m. Pennsylvania Conference contest. Expected to swell the large crowd that is already anticipated to see the two topnotch Western Division contenders is Edinboro's annual Parents' Day celebration.

After dropping a hard-fought 14-7 clash at Northwood in its season opener, Indiana has rallied to upset Cortland, 7-6, and stop previously undefeated Shippensburg, 21-0. The Western Division foes are beginning to heed the smoke signals coming from Indian country where Coach Bill Neal appears to have finally banded his club together.

Saturday's win over Shippensburg gave the Indians added incentive as they grabbed first place in the PC's Western Division race. California's 33-6 win over Lock Haven, likewise, put the Vulcans in a tie with Indiana for the Western laurels.

Edinboro and Slippery Rock are log-jammed for fourth place honors in the Conference, after their 7-7 tie against one another this past week.

Indiana will count on the passing arm of Lynn Hieber (6-2, 195) who is hitting on over 50 per cent of his tosses to lead the Tribe past the upstart Scots. Hieber has amassed 372 aerial yards while connecting for two scoring strikes.

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On the ground, the Scots will have to stop both fullback Rick Johnson (5-10, 195) and halfback Brian Hart (5-11, 185) who are the Indians' turf-tearing specialists. Johnson's 209 yards leads the rushing stats, while he also averages 4.6 yards per try through the line. Hart sports the team's best per carry mark with his 5.9 yards every time he touches the football.

"They'll give us a lot of problems defensively," projects Edinboro mentor Bill McDonald, who came to the Scots via Indiana. "They're not as big as Slippery Rock, but they're just as aggressive. They've also changed their entire offense and are certainly adjusting to it quite well," continued the coach.

McDonald's concerns are reflected in the Indiana statistics which show a complete about-face from last year. The Indians have moved from next-to-last place in pass defense to lead the league this year by allowing opponents only 77.7 yards per game through the air.

Offensively, the Tribe is averaging almost 100 yards more per game than last season with an output of 318 yards per outing.

Defensively, Indiana's top gridgers are end Dave Thompson (6-0, 215), linebacker Chuck Wonsettler (6-0, 195) and middle guard George Aggen (6-0, 195).

Edinboro will counter with one of the league's best passing attacks spearheaded by quarterback Jude Basile. In three appearances, the junior ace has been true 34 of 71 times, producing 433 total yards in the air. The highly regarded Indiana secondary will set its targets on tight end Steve Larson (8 rec., 143 yards), split end Howard Hackley (6 rec., 94 yards), wide receivers Paul Snell (7 rec., 91 yards) and Wes Bain (5 rec., 59 yards).

Edinboro's defensive leaders are linebackers Jim McClure and Mike Schnirel. McClure has registered 38 stops on opposing runners, while Schnirel follows with 34 hits and tackle Jeff Shaw is close behind with 30. Rounding out the stingy Scots' quartet of top tacklers is defensive end John Bayer who has logged 28 stops.

The Edinboro coaching staff named both offensive tackle Rick Vornadore (6-2, 219) and middle guard Ron Gooden (6-4, 250) as the players of the week for their performances against Slippery Rock. Vornadore led the line charge in the second half that helped spring tail back Melvin Morrisette (58 carries, 206 yards), while Gooden plugged the middle of the defensive line.

The Edinboro Parents' Day program for the Indiana/Edinboro tilt will get under way at 10:30 a.m. with coffee and refreshments at the College Union. Information discussion with College personnel at 11:00 will follow and then the parents will have an opportunity to purchase tickets for the game at reduced rates.

Edinboro will face a third top Pennsylvania Conference challenger next week when the Scots travel to Clarion State College for a 2:00 p.m. encounter.



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SURGING SCOTS OPPOSE HIGH-FLYING ROCKETS

EDINBORO, PA. - Edinboro's surprising band of Fighting Scots clash head on with the defending Pennsylvania Conference champions this Saturday when they face the high scoring Rockets of Slippery Rock State at Butler Stadium. The unbeaten Green Machine is driving for its third straight Pennsylvania crown and looking to extend its current string of 19 straight wins against conference foes.

The high-flying Rockets will fire one of the nation's top offenses at the Scots. Slippery Rock is averaging 410 yards per game while burning out bulbs on the scoreboard with an impressive 39 points per contest. Enroute to a 2-0 season start, Slippery Rock has already rolled over East Stroudsburg, 47-20, and Muskingum, 31-0.

Coach Bob DiSpirito's wrecking crew also holds the distinction of battling through 24 consecutive games within the borders of Pennsylvania without a defeat. Ironically, the Rockets' last loss in the Keystone State was a 49-21 setback at Edinboro in 1971.

Coach Bill McDonald's stingy Scots who have allowed only 74 yards per game on the ground in their wins against Fairmont (12-7) and highly regarded Baldwin-Wallace (21-13) are stacked up against a new kind of problem when they meet the Rockets.

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"We've been playing against quick offensive linemen who match up with us fairly well size-wise," reflected McDonald. "Against Slippery Rock, we'll not only face the same kind of quickness, but we'll have to work against an offensive line that averages almost 250 pounds."

A glance at the Rockets' front wall confirms McDonald's concern that proved equally devastating in the Scots' 17-3 loss to Slippery Rock last year. Mainstays of the cast are senior stalwarts Denny Tilko (DT, 6-3, 250), Tom Yaksick (OG, 6-0, 250) and Dan Parr (OT, 6-3, 240) who will be joined by junior guard Ken Grauer (6-2, 250).

Enjoying the wide open running room provided by the big men up front is the senior duo of All-American tailback Ed O'Reilly (5-9, 170) and fullback Roy Ripley (5-9, 185).

O'Reilly is averaging 144 yards per outing this year with his two-game total of 289 yards and three touchdowns. Last year he rolled to a new Rock record of 1,218 yards in nine games after averaging 135 yards per game and 5.0 yards per carry. He likewise paced the Rocket scoring barrage with his 54 points on nine touchdowns.

Ripley sported a remarkable 6.7 yards per carry to augment Slippery Rock's ground attack with his 529 total yards. The Rocket runner had one of his best efforts against the Scots when he exploded for 134 yards in Sox Harrison Stadium last year.

Defensively, the Rockets will depend on standouts Jeff Siemianowski (MG, 6-0, 205), Wally Robinson (DT, 6-2, 240), Ken Minnear (DE, 6-1, 200) and Tony NiCastro (FS, 6-0, 180).

Facing the brunt of Slippery Rock's offensive thrust is the Scots' front fivesome of John Bayer (DE, 6-2, 215), Rick Radzavich (DT, 6-4, 255), Ron Gooden (MG, 6-4, 250), Jeff Shaw (DT, 6-2, 220) and Jim Barto (DE, 6-2, 195). Top notch relief is constantly on tap here with Don Dlugos (T, 6-3, 240), Rick McMahon (T, 6-2, 220) and Mike Ferrare (MG, 5-11, 185) taking their turns among the starters.

Senior linebackers Jim McClure (6-0, 220) and Mike Schnirel (6-0, 200) make their presence known as the top pair of tacklers in the defensive alignment.

The Scots will count on quarterback Jude Basile (6-0, 180), tailback Melvin Morrisette (6-0, 181) and fullback Rich Holmes (6-0, 210) for offensive punch.

Basile, who set an ESC passing record a year ago, has connected on 23 of 44 tries in his first two appearances for 198 yards and a pair of TD's. Holmes holds the scoring honors after romping into the endzone three times while Morrisette's 3.8 yards per carry on 140 yards is the team's top rushing figure.

Awaiting Basile's aerial barrage is probably the best quartet of receivers in ESC's history. Tight end Steve Larson (6-3, 210) currently leads the pack with his seven grabs for 126 yards and one TD. Behind him are flankers Paul Snell (5 rec., 62 yards) and Wes Bain (3 rec., 30 yards), with last year's leader Howard Hackley having a pair of clutch catches to his credit for 55 yards. Fullback Rich Holmes has slipped out of the backfield to help the passing game with a scoring strike against Baldwin-Wallace.

Both Holmes and defensive back George Miller were cited by the Edinboro coaching staff for their performances in the Scots' win over B-W. Holmes had a pair of scores while Miller came up with several outstanding individual efforts.

Saturday's game which is scheduled for a 1:30 kickoff at Butler Stadium, will likely produce the top contender for the Western Division honors in 1974. Slippery Rock raced to the Western Division title in 1972 and 1973, after Edinboro had taken the division laurels in both 1970 and 1971.

The Scots will host the Big Indians of Indiana University (Pa.) next Saturday at 1:30 in Edinboro's Sox Harrison Stadium.



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SCOTS FACE ONE OF NATION'S BEST IN POWERFUL BALDWIN-WALLACE

EDINBORO, PA. - After surprising previously unbeaten Fairmont this past weekend, 12-7, Edinboro State Coach Bill McDonald has to solve only one immediate problem - how to stop a team that just beat the NCAA national champion of a year ago. That's the position the Fighting Scots are in at Sox Harrison Stadium (1:30 p.m.) this Saturday when they host Baldwin-Wallace College from Berea, Ohio. The Yellow Jackets established themselves as one of the country's top teams last week with an impressive 10-3 win over Wittenberg, the reigning NCAA national champs.

Coach Lee Tressel will be looking to improve on his 96-41-5 career record when he stacks some 35 lettermen against the Scots who are having a tough time forgetting their last tangle with the Buckeye school. In that clash, back in 1966, B-W romped to a 68-0 win over Edinboro - one of the worst defeats in the Scots' grid history. The only other meeting between the two schools took place the year before when the two clubs fought to a 13-13 stalemate on the Edinboro campus.

Offensively, the entire Yellow Jacket backfield returns led by co-captain quarterback Jim Tressel (the coach's son) and running backs Mike Albert (6-0, 193, Jr.) and Greg Krause (5-8, 184, Sr.) and Sam Crumpton (6-2, 188, Jr.). Last week junior fullback Mike Applegate (5-9, 183) joined this group and came away the leading rusher against Wittenberg.

Tressel has hit on 57 percent of his passes the last three seasons and usually likes to hook up with split end Doug Shook who heads the veteran receivers. End Robble Robins (6-2, 186, Jr.) should also be one of Tressel's favorite targets. In the opener against Wittenberg, Tressel pitched for 140 yards and found Doug Shook in the end zone for the game-winning touchdown.

Albert paced the running backs last year as he powered his way to 456 yards, showcasing a remarkable 6.5 yards per carry average.

The B-W defense which has six starters returning is spearheaded by linebacker Mark Summers (5-11, 206, Sr.) and All-Ohio Conference defensive back Everett Heard (5-10, 160, Sr.). Both Chuck Hall (6-1, 217) and Gary Nash (6-2, 220, Jr.) return to lead the Jackets' defensive line.

"It's always a challenge to play a real good football team and Baldwin-Wallace certainly is," projected Scot Coach Bill McDonald. "They're the kind of team that doesn't show you many weaknesses," he continued.

The Scots will be hard pressed to repeat their performance of a week ago when they limited Fairmont State to 38 yards on the ground. The ESC defense came up with the big plays in pressure situations and managed to limit the Falcons to only one touchdown while yielding 149 yards through the air.

Linebacker Jim McClure (6-0, 220) and lineman Jeff Shaw (6-2, 220) shared the tackling honors with 11 stops a piece, while John Bayer (6-2, 215) followed close behind with 10 hits and middle guard Ron Gooden (6-4, 250) and linebacker Mike Schnirel were not far off the track with nine stops. End Jim Barto and quarterback George Miller rounded out the top tacklers with eight a piece.

Quarterback Jude Basile took over right where he left off last year as he was true on 11 of 24 tries in the air for 139 yards and one touchdown. While the Falcons were busy double-teaming last year's top receiver, Howard Hackley, Basile zipped strikes to his tight end Steve Larson and flankers Paul Snell and Wes Bain.



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SCOTS OPEN AGAINST RED HOT FAIRMONT

EDINBORO, PA. - Edinboro State opens its 1974 football slate Saturday night (7:30 p.m.) when the Fighting Scots trek to West Virginia and battle the red-hot Fairmont Falcons. While the Scots will be seeing action for the first time this year, Fairmont is looking for its third straight season win. The Falcons have already edged traditionally tough Shepherd, 7-0, and romped past Bluefield State last week, 34-14.

With last year's mid-season surge included, Fairmont has won seven of its last eight games and owns a streak of five straight victories. The Falcons soared to win the West Virginia Conference championship in 1973 and finished with a fine 6-3-1 slate after a slow start. The lone tie was a 0-0 opening game stalemate at Edinboro.

"I think we're improved over last year," claims Edinboro coach, Bill McDonald, "but, of course, we had to improve just to remain competitive with everyone else. Other than the normal bumps and bruises, we should be ready by Saturday. Our players have worked hard and have a super attitude. The biggest problem still facing us," continued the Scot mentor, "is our lack of depth, and there's really no way to get around that one."

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McDonald will call on 16 lettermen among his 22 starters to aid the Scots' cause. Both the offensive and defensive units will showcase eight lettermen a piece. Yet, the Scot coach is cautiously optimistic since only three seniors are listed in starting slots.

Slated to lead the offensive attack are record-breaking passer Jude Basile (6-0, 180, Jr.) along with running backs Melvin Morrisette (6-0, 181, Jr.) and Richard Holmes (6-0, 210, Jr.). Also expected to take turns carrying the football are Jeff Bruce (6-0, 195, So.) and speedster Bob Glaser.

Morrisette's 484 yards rushing led the team last year while Glaser chipped in 322 yards for runnerup honors. Holmes, a junior college transfer, should help as a power runner and blocker to lead the ESC triple option offense.

Wide receivers Howard Hackley and Wes Bain will team up with tight end Steve Larson (6-3, 210, So.) to await Basile's aerial antics.

The Scots' rebuilt offensive line shows Rick Vornadore (6-2, 219, LT), Lou Provenzano (6-0, 220, LG), Doug Goodman (6-1, 205, C), Andre Wachenheimer (6-2, 225, G) and Greg Harpy (6-2, 235, T) paving the way. Dave Chobany (6-1, 215, T) could get the nod at one tackle should Rick Vornadore not respond to treatment for a minor injury.

Senior co-captains John Bayer (6-2, 215, DE) and Jim McClure (6-0, 220, LB) are the keystones of the Edinboro defensive corps.

Joining Bayer up front are tackles Jeff Shaw (6-2, 220) and Rick Radzavich (6-4, 255), middle guard Ron Gooden (6-4, 250) and end Jim Barto (6-2, 195). Also scheduled to see contact in the forward wall is tackle Don Dlugos (6-3, 240) and middle guard Mike Ferrare (5-11, 185).

Joining McClure at the other linebacking spot will be senior Mike Schmiel (6-0, 200), last year's second leading tackler.

A top-notch foursome polices the secondary in the likes of cornerbacks Dan Smith and George Miller, free safety Dave Seigh and strong safety Jim Terry.

The Edinboro defense will have to figure a way to stop a trio of Fairmont standouts who have continually put the Falcons on the scoreboard. Spearheading the West Virginians are quarterback Terry Galanbus (6-0, 184, Jr.), bulldozing fullback Mike Maximin (5-10, 205, Jr.) and wide receiver Larry Goodine.

Maximin loosened up in the opening game with 138 yards to continue where he left off after he tore up 698 yards of turf last fall.

Another hex confronts the Scots in the night-time fray. The contest will mark ESC's fifth clash in grid history under the lights and the Clansmen have yet to claim a win in a night game.

Fighting Scot fans can listen to the game over public radio station WQLN-FM (91.3). Pre-game show is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. and the remainder of the broadcast will carry play-by-play action which starts with the 7:30 kickoff.

Edinboro will open its home schedule the following Saturday when powerful Baldwin-Wallace greets the Scots at Sox Harrison Stadium.

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EDINBORO STATE
PROBABLE STARTERS

SE - Howard Hackley (Canonsburg)	LE - Jim Barto (Pittsburgh)
LT - Rick Vornadore (Pittsburgh)	LT - Rich Radzavich (DuBois)
OR Dave Chobany (Portage)	MG - Ron Gooden (Tonawanda, N.Y.)
LG - Lou Provenzano (Arnold)	RT - Jeff Shaw (Erie)
C - Doug Goodman (Sarver)	RE - John Bayer (West Brownsville)
RG - Andre Wachenheimer (Pittsburgh)	LB - Jim McClure (South Heights)
RT - Greg Hanpy (Erie)	LB - Mike Schnirel (Tonawanda, N.Y.)
TE - Steve Larson (Jamestown, N.Y.)	LCB- George Miller (Johnstown)
QB - Jude Basile (Summerhill)	RCB- Dan Smith (Pittsburgh)
FLK- Wes Bain (Pittsburgh)	SS - Jim Terry (Kulpmont)
FB - Richard Holmes (Smithfield, N.C.)	FS - Dave Seigh (Johnstown)
TB - Melvin Morrisette (Ambridge)	

HOMETOWNS OF OTHERS MENTIONED IN STORY

Jeff Bruce - Holsopple
Don Dlugos - Mammoth

Mike Ferrare - Erie
Bob Glaser - Pittsburgh



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SCOT ATHLETES SHATTER SCHOOL WIN MARK

EDINBORO, PA. - Not even the nation's fast rising inflationary forces can seem to keep pace with Edinboro State's rapidly rising winning percentage mark in athletics. Fighting Scot athletes in twelve varsity sports shattered the school's winning percentage mark for the fifth straight year as they produced 112 wins against only 34 losses and 4 ties to claim a record-breaking .752 percentage.

While Edinboro State athletes were winning $7\frac{1}{2}$ out of every 10 intercollegiate contests in which they competed, they also set an ESC record for the most wins in a single season with their 112 successes.

The surge of the sizzling seventies started at the close of the 1969-70 campaign when the Scots rang up a .562 winning percentage. Since then, Edinboro athletes have combined their talents to annually topple the mark with this year's record-breaking effort seemingly unbeatable.

Highlighting the assault with perfect season cards were Coach Doug Watts' cross country and track teams. Watts' distance men completed their season unbeaten, 10-0, while running to a third place national finish and claiming both the Pennsylvania Conference and the NAIA District championships enroute to their best finish ever.

The tracksters went through their dual meet schedule unscathed at 5-0 and, likewise, annexed the Pennsylvania Conference and District crowns.

Hank Mariotti's netmen just missed an unblemished mark with a 12-3-1 ledger and kept championship form by winning their first ever Pennsylvania Conference crown.

Coach Jim McDonald's divot-diggers fired their way to Edinboro's best golf record in history when they went through the spring with a 16-3 card to register an impressive .842 percentage.

Hitting an even .800 mark were Vern Vogel's keglers who bowled their way to a 12-3-1 finish.

With the top five Scot varsity sports hitting at an .800 or better clip, another quintet of ESC varsity teams continued the hot pace with .700 or better season records. Included in the group were Gus Miller's judo squad, 7-2-0 (.778); Jim McDonald's cagers, 18-6-0 (.750); Coach Ed Erdos' swimmers, 9-3-0 (.750); John Furcron's soccer team, 8-3-1 (.727); and Fred Caro's grapplers, 10-4-1 (.714).

The soccer team's first ever District championship headlined the laurels reaped by the five different sports while the basketball team garnered additional honors with its runner-up spot in the District finals. The wrestling team added to the honors with a record-setting eight straight wins.

Coach Bill McDonald's crop of young gridders came of age midway through the season as the Fighting Scot football team rallied for a 4-4-1 record to finish with an even .500 tablet.

The ESC baseball team under the direction of Bill LaRosa, became the victim of spring downpours to log a 3-0 mark and didn't have a chance to complete even half of its 23-game schedule. Despite the inclement conditions, a trio of Scot baseball players was accorded post season all-star honors.

Joining in the victory celebration was Edinboro State's trap and skeet shooting club that zeroed in on national runner-up honors. The Scot shooters repeated their second place finish in the United States Intercollegiate Trap and Skeet Shooting Championships.

Climaxing the most successful year in Edinboro State's sports history was the selection of senior Tom Herr as the Scots' Most Outstanding Athlete. A heavyweight wrestler, Herr has twice been an NAIA All-American and Pennsylvania Conference champion while also claiming the national title during his junior year.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: EDINBORO STATE THINCLADS COULD BE BEST EVER

EDINBORO, PA -- Edinboro State track coach Doug Watts is boiling over with enthusiasm these days and rightfully so. The young mentor, who guided Edinboro State to its first ever Pennsylvania Conference crown last spring, appears to have assembled a powerhouse that could easily surpass all of last year's honors.

"We're exceptionally strong in the running events," commented Watts, "and we'll have two or three real strong performers in each race. Although our field events don't have as much depth, we're much improved there, also."

A solid nucleus of lettermen return to bolster the Scots' cinder chances with senior hurdler John Walker (Rochester, N.Y.) leading the pack.

Walker sped over the timbers to a fourth place national finish last year in the 440-intermediate hurdles and set a new school mark of 52.1 in the process. The triple-letter winner likewise owns the Edinboro standard in the 120 highs with a 14.2 clocking. His efforts at the national meet earned him All-America honors.

Sophomore high jumper Mike Drozin (Cleveland, O.) also came away with an All-America scroll at the NAIA meet when he finished fifth nationally. His winning jump of 6'9" at the Kentucky Relays established a new Fighting Scot record that he will be striving to surpass this spring.

Pennsylvania Conference champions Bill Waros (Kiski Area) in the 100 and Dan Swanson (Warren) in the 220 return to lead the team in the shorter races. The pair are co-owners of Edinboro records in the 100 and 220-yard dash.

Newcomers Len Schleicher (Erie) and Keith Klinger (Perry, O.) could be valuable point-getters in the sprints and will be depended upon in both relays. Klinger has emerged as the leader in the 440.

In the distance races, Watts can bank on both Mark Roche (Cochranon) and freshman sensation Kevin Foley (Willowick, O.) to nail down top finishes for the running Scots. Roche owns school standards in the 880 with a 1:55 timing and the mile with a 4:12.3 showing to his credit.

Triple jumper Chuck Jones (Meadville), pole vaulter Rick Motter (Oil City) and javelin hurler Mike Pancerev (Waterford) should lead the squad in the field events, along with Drozin. Motter joins the list of returning Edinboro record holders with a 14'6" vault. Jones has the second best triple jump mark in ESC history and will be shooting to eclipse the barrier this season. Pancerev has already etched his name in the Scot record annals as the frosh debuted early with a 210'3" toss.

Yet, what keeps Watts smiling is the additional personnel who will be battling his top performers.

Joining Roche in the middle distance runs are a trio of freshmen in Greg Johnson (Aurora, O.), Mark Ladika (Corry) and Dennis Packard (Buffalo, N.Y.), along with sophomore ace John Foreman (Altoona). Johnson, Ladika and Packard already have respectable early times of 1:58.5, 1:58.6 and 1:59.0 in the 880, while Foreman and Packard chipped in respective 4:19 and 4:22.2 mile times.

Edinboro's aggregate of distance runners, who already have claimed the Pennsylvania Conference championship in cross country during the fall and finished third nationally, is undoubtedly best in the state. In addition to Foley, Foreman and Packard, frosh thinclads Joe Come (Edinboro), Pat Logue (Montoursville) and Mark Linder (Cincinnati, O.) give Watts a top notch combination.

Foley has already eclipsed Dave Antognoli's (six time Edinboro All-American and a 1972 Olympic Trials finalist) freshman records in the distance races where the Scots could prove to be the toughest.

Adding to the Scots' strength in the field events are discusman Bob Lawrence (Irwin), long jumper Ed Constantine (Greensburg), shot putter Steve Plyer (New Castle) and Doug Goodman (Freeport) in the javelin.

Ron Beckett (Elyria, O.) and Ray Grynuck (Butler) will team up with Drozin to give the Scots additional strength in the high jump.

"I know we have good experienced trackmen, and they should be supported admirably by the newcomers," concluded Watts. "If the freshmen recruits live up to their potential, I think we can be pretty tough. Our squad's team spirit is the key to our success, and right now, I see no reason to question the continuance of that traditional excellence."



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SCOTS HOST SHIPPENSBURG
 IN FINAL HOME STAND

EDINBORO--Edinboro State, still reeling from a 27-25 setback at Lock Haven last week-end, will try to come up with some tricks of its own to treat the invading Shippensburg Red Raiders this Saturday.

Although the downstaters have managed only a 2-4 season chart, the Scots are not about to take anyone at face value with the eve of Halloween just around the corner. The Men of McDonald are all the wiser after running into a wolf in sheeps clothing at Lock Haven a week ago and can still vividly remember the 14-9 setback suffered at Shippensburg last year.

The Red Raiders bring some respectable offensive figures into the battle to test the Scots defensive forces. The Tribe ranks third in the Western Division's rushing stats with an output of 162.8 yards per game complimented by a total offensive showing of 260 yards per outing.

A pair of quarterbacks take turns leading the Raider war party behind the running of junior halfback Rick Diggs. Second-year coach Gene Epley depends on both Lou Hoover and Randy Stamets to keep the Raiders on the run as double duty signal callers.

Linebacker Brad Shover and safety Dan Searer are key defensive performers who have proved extremely effective against the pass. Each has picked off a pair of aerials with Shover returning both of his for touchdowns. Searer is the club's leading tackler registering 67 stops in six games.

Edinboro's offensive weapons were firing full tilt last week but the Scots had problems keeping Lock Haven's Bald Eagles grounded.

Quarterback Jude Basile's 195 yards passing, Howard Hackley's 147 yards in receptions and Melvin Morrisette's 114 on the ground were still not enough to topple the inspired Eagles. Included among the yeoman efforts was a 22-tackle performance by the Clan's junior linebacker Jim McClure.

Injuries could sideline the services of ESC fullback Bob Staab while center Doug Goodman will most likely miss the remainder of the year. Also listed as question marks are offensive tackle Rick Vornadore, linebacker Mike Schnirel and safety Dave Seigh.

Staab's absence in the backfield might result in a switch of Morrisette to the fullback slot with speedster Bob Glaser operating at tailback. Should the switch not materialize sophomore Tom Mealy is ready to step into the vacated fullback post.

Ten Fighting Scot seniors will be making their final appearances in ESC's Sox Harrison Stadium. The list includes center Mike Gordon (Elkhart, Ind.), linebacker Kevin Harris (Pittsburgh), defensive tackle Tom Herr (York), offensive tackle John Kuster (Pitcairn), center Tom Marsilio (Rochester), cornerback Jim Mastroianni (Trafford), guard Bob Miseyka (Butler), guard Dean Pikoulas (Butler), safety John Walker (Rochester, N.Y.) and flanker Bernie Whitman (North Canton, O.).

The game also marks Edinboro State's annual recognition of Parents' Day. Ticket prices for the 1:30 p.m. encounter have been cut in half and this courtesy will be extended to all guests who attend the game.



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SCOTS' RED-WHITE GRID GAME SET FOR SATURDAY

EDINBORO, PA. - Edinboro State's spring football drills will come to a close this Saturday with the playing of the Scots' annual Red-White game. Kickoff time for the grid contest is slated for 1:30 in Sox Harrison Stadium.

Scot mentor Bill McDonald and his staff have evenly divided the two teams, both offensively and defensively for the fray.

Assisting honorary coach Jim Camp, Assistant Sports Editor of the Erie Morning News, on the Red team will be Guy Conti, Fred Renny, Mike Peck, Jim Romaniszyn, Tom Hernan and Bernie Whitman.

Joining White team head coach Doug Davis, Sportscaster for WJET-TV, as aides are coaches Tony Zvonar, Jim Bowen, John Henry, Andy Robertson, Joe Sanford and John Kuster.

Bill McDonald, ESC head grid mentor will view the game from the stands and get a chance to evaluate the performers on both squads.

"We've come up with a couple of pleasant surprises in the spring," summarized McDonald, "and some of our experimenting has paid off. Of course, there is still a lot of work facing us at the end of summer when we hope we'll find answers to any remaining problems."

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Listed offensively as spring standouts by McDonald are offensive guard Lou Provenzano (6-1, 210, fr., Arnold), tackle Rick Vornadore (6-2, 210, so., Pittsburgh), guard Andre Wachenheimer (6-1, 221, so., Pittsburgh), quarterback Greg Shirey (6-2, 185, fr., Clearfield), fullback Jeff Bruce (6-1, 190, fr., Holsopple) and center Doug Goodman (6-1, 205, fr., Sarver).

"We're also pleased that our split end Paul Snell (Baldwinsville, N.Y.) had a fine spring. Our other wide receiver, Howard Mackley (Canonsburg) continued with the great job that he did in the fall. Melvin Morrisette (TB, 5-11, 180, so., Ambridge) has improved over last year and we've added more speed to our tailback spot by switching Ken Widel (6-0, 160, so., Dravosburg) to a running back."

Defensive plaudits went to backs Dan Smith (so., Pittsburgh), George Miller (fr., Johnstown), Dave Byers (so., Cheswick), Dave Seigh (so., Johnstown) and Tim Holt (fr., Edinboro).

"Smith has been a real surprise," added McDonald. "He's really worked hard since fall."

Equally impressive have been defensive end John Bayer (6-0, 205, jr., Brownsville), linebacker Bob Staab (6-0, 200, fr., Erie), middle guard Kevin Erickson (6-1, 210, fr., Jamestown, N.Y.) and tackle Jeff Shaw (6-2, 208, fr., Erie).

"We feel we have switched some people from other positions to help us defensively," concluded McDonald, "but we still have to get more aggressive."

The Scots will have 32 lettermen returning in the fall to face their 9-game 1974 schedule.



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SCOT CAGERS POST RECORD BREAKING YEAR

EDINBORO - Although Edinboro State's cagers fell one game short of a coveted third trip to the national playoffs in Kansas City, Missouri, the Scots' 1973-74 season will be listed as one of the finest efforts in ESC cage history.

While romping to an 18-6 overall ledger, Jim McDonald's round-ballers established five ESC basketball records while tying three more. Tops on the list was the Scots' new accuracy mark at the free throw line where as a team they connected on 72.5 of their attempts at the charity stripe. The new standard eclipsed the record of 71.4 set just last year. Other team marks included the best free throw percentage in one game (93.6%, 26 of 27 against Point Park) and most points in a half, 74, against Point Park.

Senior guard Roy Stauffer (Emmaus, Pa.) and his junior counterpart Larry Betar (Altoona, Pa.) accounted for a pair of ESC individual records. Stauffer completed his three year varsity career with an outstanding 86.4 percentage at the free throw line where he tossed in 241 of 279 tries. Betar's standard came when he totaled 20 assists against California. His effort was one better than the record set by Dave Knowlton in 1970.

Three team marks also went into the record book as tying the best performances by past Edinboro State cage fives. The Scots' 17-5 regular season finish knotted the most wins in a scheduled season recorded by Jim McDonald's 1967-68 squad. Also equalled was the record for the most field goals in a game when the Scots hit on 54

shots against Alliance and most consecutive victories, 11 (9 straight this year combined with the final two wins of last season).

Stauffer concluded his three-year varsity campaign with 1,153 points to become the 7th player in Edinboro history to climb over the 1,000-point barrier. His output was good enough for 6th place honors on the all-time scoring list behind Jim Prokell's 1,196. The senior stalwart completed the year as the team's leading point-getter with a 15.3 points-per-game average to lead a quartet of double figure scorers. Following him were James Boyd (Benton Harbor, Michigan) - 12.5 ppg, Dennis Hampton (Chicago, Illinois) - 12.3 ppg and Charlie Hickox (Parkersburg, West Virginia) - 11.4.

Hampton at 6-5 was the club's leading rebounder averaging 10.3 grabs per game while 6-6 Charlie Hickox was close behind pulling down missed shots at a 9.4 clip. Forward James Boyd chipped in 7.6 grabs per game to help augment the team's highly respectable 52.7 rebounds per game average.

Freshman sensation Tim Smiley (Ft. Wayne, Indiana) waxed hot at the end of the season as he pumped in 228 markers for the year. The lightening quick guard was the team's leading scorer in three of the Scots' final four games when he registered respective 20, 22, and 21 point outbursts. His hometown teammate, 6-3 guard Alonzo Craig (Ft. Wayne, Indiana), took the scoring honors from Smiley in the fourth game with an 18-point effort.

Reliable Don Gerdich (McKeesport, Pa.) again proved to be the top back-up man under the boards where he came down with 111 missed shots. The 6-6 muscle man helped ESC's offensive cause by dropping in 81 markers from his rebounding post.

Versatile Bill Lentz, a 6-2 sophomore from Allentown, Pa., contributed 133 points while working at both the forward and guard slots.

Adding to the Scots' depth was the sophomore trio of 6-7 Ron Beckett, 6-7 Dale Griffin and 6-8 Sam Vickers, all from Elyria, Ohio.

Edinboro State coach Jim McDonald boosted his career mark to read a remarkable 159 wins against only 82 losses. Since taking the reins at ESC in 1962, McDonald has the distinction of never having a losing season and never finishing lower than second in the Western Division of the Pennsylvania Conference. This year's appearance in the NAIA post season tournament marked the seventh time in eleven seasons that his teams have been awarded a post-season bid.

Fighting Scot fans continue to be optimistic for the 1974-75 campaign as eleven of twelve varsity performers return. The lone senior on the club who will be lost via the graduation route is guard Roy Stauffer.

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INDIVIDUAL HONORS TO DATE

- Roy Stauffer - Pennsylvania Conference Western Division First Team
NAIA District 18 Second Team
Ashland Tournament - Most Outstanding Player & First Team
- Dennis Hampton - NAIA District 18 First Team
Pennsylvania Conference Second Team
Ashland Tournament First Team
- James Boyd - Pennsylvania Conference Second Team
Ashland Tournament First Team
Pittsburgh Basketball Writers Association All Star Team
- Charlie Hickox - Pennsylvania Conference Second Team

SEASON HIGHS

- Points Scored - Player: 31, Roy Stauffer vs. West Virginia State (12-27-73)
Points Scored - Team: 126 vs. Point Park (1-23-74)
Field Goals - Player: 14, Roy Stauffer vs. West Virginia State (12-27-73)
Field Goals - Team: 54 vs. Alliance, Ties Record (2-25-74)
Free Throws - Player: 12-14, Roy Stauffer vs. Clarion (2-13-74)
Free Throws - Team: 33-40 vs. Slippery Rock (2-23-74)
Rebounds - Player: 17, Dennis Hampton vs. Western Ontario and Indiana (12-6-73, 2-19-74)
Rebounds - Team: 81 vs. Western Ontario (12-6-73)
Assists - Player: 20, Larry Betar vs. California (12-12-73)
Assists - Team: 37 vs. Alliance (2-25-74)



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SCOT DIAMONDMEN YOUNG...BUT TALENTED

EDINBORO, PA - With only four seniors dotting the 22-man roster, Edinboro State's 1974 baseball season looms as a big question mark for Scot coach Bill LaRosa.

"Although our team is really young, I feel we're fortunate to have a lot of talented players," claims LaRosa. "Three-fourths of our ball players are either freshmen or sophomores and the success of our season hinges upon just how quickly they adjust to competing in college."

If past performances serve as any indicator of LaRosa's ability to develop his Scot prospects, Edinboro State should prove to be a top contender once again. In his two years at the ESC helm, LaRosa has piloted the Scots to a 24-15-1 ledger while capturing Edinboro's first-ever Pennsylvania Conference diamond title in 1971.

Triple letter winners Roger Stubbe (Girard) and Roy Stauffer (Emmaus) have been tabbed co-captains to lead the assault on this year's 22-game schedule. Both have been First Team All-Pennsylvania Conference selections over the past two seasons while starring both offensively and defensively for the Scots.

Stauffer returns to shortstop where he showcased a fielding average of .985 last spring. He hit safely 20 times in 50 appearances at the plate to finish the year with an even .400 batting average, second best on the squad.

Stubbe, who patrols centerfield, has been equally effective with the stick as he hit at a .367 clip through the 1973 schedule. A dangerous lead-off batter, the speedy senior drew 19 walks and pilfered 8 bases to lead the Scots in both categories.

Also on hand to help bolster the infield is senior Frank Basilone (Springdale) who has moved from third to second base. Noted as a long ball hitter, Basilone stroked a .255 last year and pushed 13 runs across the plate.

Rounding out the Edinboro infield are both Jeff Ellis (Erie) and Tom VanVolkenburg (Erie) at first base along with Dennis Belcastro (Pittsburgh) at the hot corner on third.

"Although our infield will not be as strong defensively without Danny Mellow," summarized LaRosa, "it should be adequate. Our defense was undoubtedly our strong point last year with Mellow being the keystone." Mellow's absence will also be felt offensively as he led the club with a .410 batting average and knocked in 19 RBI's.

Utility men Mark Simcheck (Cambridge Springs) and Joe Berdine (Curwensville) are on hand to help back up any of the infield spots.

Joining Stubbe in the outfield will be Dennis Runyan (Springdale) in right and Ron Nietupski (Erie) in left. The strong-armed Runyan was error-less in 16 games as a freshman leftfielder. Nietupski, a veteran in Erie's Glenwood League, will be making his debut with the Scot diamondmen.

"If we have gotten stronger in any department, it has to be in our pitching," said LaRosa. "We have a real promising staff which will have to help offset our hitting."

Heading the mound crew is senior southpaw Mike Dreistadt (Meadville) who registered a 2.22 earned run average last season. The veteran fast-baller was 2-1 on the year while working in five games.

King of the hill in the earned run department, righthander Gary Bennett (Waterford) returns with a year of experience under his belt. The curveball ace carved a 3-2 slate during his freshman campaign and registered a 2.15 earned run average, tops in the club.

Expected to take regular turns in the Scots' rotation is the sophomore trio of Tom VanVolkenburg (Erie), Bill Bules (Erie) and Dave Seigh (Johnstown). Both Bules and VanVolkenburg saw action on the mound last spring as freshmen twirlers.

Coach LaRosa has also had some surprises in freshmen newcomers Mike Bowen (Warren), Doug Boyer (Cheswick), Tom Braithwaite (Pittsburgh) and Carl Kosko (Pittsburgh). Bowen, a speedy lefthander, appears to have the inside track among the new faces and could become a regular starter.

Letterman Mike Ropelewski (Natrona) will handle the catching chores with frosh standout Lee Patton (Verona) and first-year-man Tim Benko (Allison Park) likewise looking for duty behind the plate.

LaRosa's diamondmen will be stirring to improve upon their 11-7 mark from a year ago with post season play in two different tournaments as the incentive. For the first time ever, the Pennsylvania Conference has been split into two divisions and the Scots will be vying for the Western crown along with five other state entrants. The Western Divisional winner will meet the East for the Pennsylvania title in a best of three playoff series scheduled for May 10 and 11. Also in the offing is a bid to the NAIA playoffs which will be extended to the best four teams in District 18 of NAIA.



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**SCOTS' HERR FINISHES AS TOP GRAPPLER
IN EDINBORO STATE HISTORY**

EDINBORO, PA - Edinboro State's Tom Herr, who paced the Scots to a 10-4-1 season while grappling in the unlimited division, has closed out his collegiate career as the top wrestler in ESC mat history.

The York, Pa. product completed his four-year varsity stint with a sparkling slate of 83 wins, 15 losses and 2 ties in all competition. More than half of those 83 victories came via pins as the 6-3, 220-pounder stretched 42 of his opponents.

Enroute to his record breaking performance, Herr has twice been the unlimited division champion in the nationally regarded Pennsylvania Conference. He grabbed the championship toga in his sophomore and senior years, while annexing third place honors in his freshman debut and the runner-up spot as a junior.

The Scot wrestling ace finished as the NAIA National champion last year and grappled his way to a third place national finish this past season. Both efforts earned him First Team All-America honors.

Percentage-wise, Herr's sophomore campaign proved to be the best of his four varsity tries when he fought to a 20-1 overall mark and was unbeaten in dual competition showcasing a 14-0 ledger. His senior season produced the most wins with a final reading of 28 wins against only 3 setbacks. Fifteen of those victories came on pins as he surpassed his previous high of thirteen posted during his junior year.

While leading the Scots to a record eight straight team wins in their first eight matches, Herr accounted for 141 ESC points. In addition to his national and conference honors, Herr walked away with championship laurels at both the Ashland Invitational and the NAIA District 18 tournaments.

Along with his four varsity letters in wrestling, the Scot ace also owns three varsity awards in football where he starred as a defensive tackle for the ESC gridders.

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TOM HERR - FOUR YEAR VARSITY STATISTICS

	<u>PINS</u>	<u>POINTS</u>	<u>OVERALL</u>	<u>DUAL</u>	<u>PA. CONF.</u>	<u>NAIA NAT'L TOURN.</u>
1970-71	5	54	12-7-2	8-4-2	3rd	
1971-72	9	85.5	20-1-0	14-0	1st	
1972-73	13	115	23-4-0	13-2	2nd	1st
1973-74	<u>15</u>	<u>141.5</u>	<u>28-3-0</u>	<u>13-2</u>	1st	3rd
TOTALS	42	396.0	83-15-2	48-8-2		



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SCOT NETTERS POINT TO EXTEND WIN STREAK

EDINBORO, PA - Tradition dictates that Edinboro State tennis teams are winners. The return of last year's entire squad along with some talented newcomers should help Coach Hank Mariotti's netmen maintain that winning custom.

Over the past four seasons, the ESC tennis team has piled up an outstanding 37-3 mark in dual match competition and annexed three NAIA District 18 championships while posting 11th and 18th place NAIA national finishes.

Back from a squad that went unbeaten 10-0 last year are Martin Sturgess (sophomore, Flemington, New Jersey), Jerry Simon (senior, Erie, Pa.), Jim Kissman (senior, Geneva, Ohio), Dennis Ranalli (senior, Clairton, Pa.), Chris Pedano (junior, Erie, Pa.) and Ron Hakala (sophomore, Ashtabula, Ohio). All six finished as District 18 champions last year in their flights and all of the vets likewise captured honors in the Pennsylvania Conference.

Waiting in the wings to challenge the veterans is a pair of talented freshmen in Randy Beerman (Ft. Wayne, Indiana) and Ben Barker (Geneva, Ohio). The duo has already logged varsity playing time in the fall and demonstrated to Mariotti that they'll be in contention for starting spots.

Sturgess, Simon and Kissman, who spearheaded the Scot attack last year in the top three positions, should retain their regular roles.

Sturgess in a sensational freshman debut went undefeated in dual competition with a 10-0 slate, captured the Pennsylvania Conference title and battled his way to the District 18 crown before finally being stopped in the NAIA national finals. He completed his first year for the Scots with a sparkling 18-1 overall record.

This past fall, the Scot ace was honored by the Middle States Lawn Tennis Association as he was ranked number one in the 18 and under division. A product of New York's Forest Hills High School, he now owns a perfect career dual match mark of 56-0.

Battling in the number two singles spot, Simon also finished unbeaten in dual match competition to run his three-year career record to 36-2. He has twice been a district champion while performing for the Scots and in 1971 claimed the number three singles title at the Pennsylvania Conference meet. Simon's overall record last year was equally impressive when he completed his junior campaign at 16-2.

Senior Jim Kissman holds down the number three singles post where he grabbed eight wins in ten tries last year. Kissman has piled up a 26-9 slate for the Scots during his varsity stint and likewise owns district and Pennsylvania Conference honors.

Ironically, Ben Barker, who hails from the same high school as Kissman (Geneva, Ohio) will be in the running for the number three or four positions on this year's team. The pair was coached by Arnie Bradshaw, an Edinboro State grad who was the only unbeaten netter in Scot history with a perfect 44-0 record (1959-1963).

Rounding out the remaining veterans are Dennis Ranalli, Chris Pedano and Ron Hakala. Both Ranalli and Pedano went through the 1973 schedule with 9-1 ledgers while Hakala joined Sturgess and Simon in the unbeaten ranks at 10-0.

"We still aren't sure what combinations we'll go with in doubles competition," commented Coach Mariotti, "but the addition of some talented new players could make us stronger there. While we have the same team returning, both Beerman and Barker

could replace some of our regulars. As far as the season is concerned," continued the mentor, "we feel we have a very challenging schedule with Mercyhurst and Akron heading the list of top teams we'll play against."

The Scots will open their 10-match slate on April 13 when they host Grove City.