

# Basketball

Milwaukee Lincoln continues to reign as champion of Wisconsin high school basketball.

The Comets flashed their brilliance in the 52nd annual State Tournament at Madison on March 16-17-18 as they won a second straight title, their fifth in nine years and stretched to 15 their all-winning record in State appearances.

Victory was accomplished, however, only after a pulsating performance in the finals featuring a game Wausau quintet that refused to be awed by the magnificent ability of the Milwaukeeans. The Lumberjacks bowed, 61-56, but gained rather than lost stature in defeat for their courageous effort against the talented champions who were quick on offense and tenacious on defense.

Lincoln, coached by Jim Smallins and champion of the Milwaukee City Conference, wound up the season with a 25-1 record — 25 straight wins after an opening-game loss. They also won championships at Madison in 1959, 1961 and 1962 along with that of last year when Smallins also was their coach.

Wausau, coached by Ken Anderson and champion of the far-flung Big Rivers Conference, lost only two other games all year while winning 23 times, and one of the defeats was a 102-75 lacing from Lincoln early in the year. Needless to say, the Jacks came a long way from that embarrassment to their showing in the championship game.

Third-place honors went to Appleton, a 62-59 winner over Platteville in the playoff contest, and consolation laurels went to Green Bay West — like Appleton, a Fox River Valley Conference representative, by virtue of a 63-52 triumph over Whitefish Bay.

Lincoln blew an ominous air into the University of Wisconsin fieldhouse by crushing La Crosse Central, 109-71, in the first game of the 1967 meet. Platteville earned the task of meeting Lincoln in the semi-finals by extending a season-long win string to 24 games with a 68-59 verdict over Green Bay. Wausau had trouble in its opener, beating Barron, 68-62, and Appleton pulled the only upset of the championship round action by beating Whitefish Bay, 66-55, in the closing quarter-final contest.

Championship semi-finals saw Lincoln turn back Platteville and end its perfect season, 80-65, and Wausau survive a plucky Appleton quintet, 58-50. Consolation play saw Green Bay West dump La Crosse Central, 84-50, and Whitefish Bay edge past Barron, 62-58, to earn spots in the Saturday program of final games.

The regular season and final season records, respectively, of the State Tournament field were as follows: Milwaukee Lincoln 17-1 and 25-1, Wausau 16-2 and 23-3, Appleton 11-7 and 18-8, Platteville 17-0 and 24-2, Green Bay West 15-3 and 22-4, Whitefish Bay 17-1 and 23-2, Barron 17-1 and 22-3 and La Crosse Central 15-3 and 21-5.

Four schools posted regular-season unbeaten records — Alma (for the second straight year), Wabeno and Wausaukee, all with 18 wins, and Platteville with 17. Platteville pushed its all-winning ways to the State Tournament semi-finals — 24 games — before losing. Wausaukee reached the Sectionals before losing after 22 wins. Alma went to 21 wins before losing in the Sub-Sectionals. Wabeno won one tournament game for a 19-0 record, then ran into Wausaukee.

There were 14 schools which posted once-beaten records during the regular season. Barron, Cedarburg, Glidden, Hillsboro, Lake Mills, Milwaukee Lincoln, Mishicot, Monroe, Neenah, Racine Park, St. Croix Central, South Wayne and Whitefish Bay all won 17 games and Prentice won 16. Lincoln carried its record all the way to the State championship while Barron and Whitefish Bay also went to the State Meet before losing another game.

A near-record number of spectators watched the tournament program — 382,572 fans. This figure includes paid gates only at all levels of competition, in-



1966-67 WIAA STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS

This is the Milwaukee Lincoln team which won the State Basketball championship at Madison on March 18. From left to right, top row, Principal Andrew Dunar, Tommie Williams, David Hickembottom, Larry Thomas, Fred Brown, Athletic Director Ron Foot; middle row, Assistant Coach Ernest, Clarence Sherrod, Ellis Turrentine, Knut Herremann, Paul Bradley, Head Coach James Smallins; bottom row, Manager Larry Wade, Lee Tisdell, Eugene Graham, Calvin Purifoy, Fred Williamson, Manager Melvin Williams.

cluding the State Meet. The record number using only paid spectators is 382,926 in 1966. There were 76,825 paid at the State Meet which was more than the 76,322 paid at the 1966 tournament but the record for the State Meet (paid) is 76,930 set in 1960. It is estimated that between 3-4 million persons watched approximately 3,500 regular-season basketball games played by WIAA schools.



## State Box Scores

### CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

MILWAUKEE LINCOLN 61	FGA-M	FTA-M	WAUSAU 56	FGA-M	FTA-M
Ellis Turrentine .....	14-3	0-0	Pat Reed .....	9-4	2-1
David Hickembottom .....	3-3	4-0	Steve Andersson .....	13-5	0-0
Larry Thomas .....	14-5	4-3	Ken Roeder .....	13-6	7-4
Fred Brown .....	15-5	6-4	Frank Schade .....	2-1	6-5
Clarence Sherrod .....	17-6	8-5	Larry Edwards .....	18-6	4-2
Tommie Williams .....	4-2	3-1	Gary Seehafer .....	1-0	0-0
Totals .....	67-24	22-13	Totals .....	56-22	19-7

#### Score by quarters:

Milwaukee Lincoln	16	19	19	7	61
Wausau	14	13	19	10	56

Personal Fouls: Milwaukee Lincoln 14, Wausau 14

Rebounds: Milwaukee Lincoln 50, Wausau 38

Shooting percentage: Milwaukee Lincoln .359, Wausau .393

Officials: Eugene Calhoun and Richard Lowell

### THIRD-PLACE PLAYOFF

APPLETON 62	FGA-M	FTA-M	PLATTEVILLE 59	FGA-M	FTA-M
Bob Simon .....	15-9	8-7	Bill Hake .....	8-5	7-5
George Hoffman .....	9-2	1-0	Jim Lawinger .....	10-5	16-9
Tom Jones .....	7-1	4-2	Dennis Nodolf .....	3-2	3-2
Art Zuleger .....	3-1	0-0	Steve Klaas .....	13-4	1-0
Tom Hintz .....	17-10	5-3	Tom Barth .....	9-4	3-1
Rich Stach .....	2-1	3-2	John Steffens .....	1-1	1-0
Garry Lutz .....	0-0	0-0	Totals .....	44-21	31-17
Totals .....	53-24	21-14			

#### Score by quarters:

Appleton	15	13	14	20	62
Platteville	16	19	10	14	59

Personal Fouls: Appleton 22, Platteville 15

Rebounds: Appleton 36, Platteville 34

Shooting percentage: Appleton .453, Platteville .477

Officials: Gerald Donley and Leonard Ellison

### CONSOLATION FINALS

GREEN BAY WEST 63	FGA-M	FTA-M	WHITEFISH BAY 52	FGA-M	FTA-M
Dennis Gutzman .....	20-11	6-1	Bill Smith .....	20-11	1-0
Bruce Koenig .....	7-1	1-1	Bill Humke .....	5-0	0-0
Jerry Tagge .....	9-5	7-7	Donn Wiese .....	18-7	2-1
Doug Behrendt .....	8-4	2-1	Howie Zien .....	3-0	3-1
Jim Anderson .....	7-1	10-8	Pete Bilgo .....	15-4	6-4
Dave Mason .....	2-0	0-0	Tom Templin .....	3-0	0-0
Stu Holliman .....	1-0	1-0	Klaus Scholz .....	1-1	0-0
Chuck Schultz .....	0-0	0-0	Jim Coulbon .....	0-0	0-0
Bob Nelson .....	0-0	0-0	Jim Berge .....	0-0	0-0
Dennis Hansen .....	0-0	2-1	Dave DeBlitz .....	1-0	0-0
Joe Klemmer .....	0-0	0-0	Jim Rumack .....	0-0	0-0
Scott Coleman .....	0-0	1-0	Jeff Block .....	1-0	0-0
Totals .....	54-22	30-19	Totals .....	67-23	12-6

#### Score by quarters:

Green Bay West	14	21	18	10	63
Whitefish Bay	13	10	13	16	52

Personal Fouls: Green Bay West 13, Whitefish Bay 23

Rebounds: Green Bay West 52, Whitefish Bay 41

Shooting percentage: Green Bay West .407, Whitefish Bay .343

Officials: Warren Rahn and Otto Breitenbach

# CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINALS

WAUSAU 58	FGA-M	FTA-M	APPLETON 50	FGA-M	FTA-M
Pat Reed	5-4	2-1	Bob Simon	14-6	4-2
Steve Anderson	8-4	3-2	George Hoffman	14-6	3-3
Ken Roeder	8-4	10-10	Tom Jones	3-2	1-1
Frank Schade	6-2	5-4	Art Zuleger	7-2	1-1
Larry Edwards	7-3	6-4	Tom Hintz	14-3	4-3
Chris Evans	3-0	3-3	Rich Stach	3-1	0-0
			Garry Lutz	2-0	1-0
Totals	37-17	29-24	Totals	57-20	14-10

## Score by quarters:

Wausau	14	14	9	21	— 58
Appleton	15	2	10	23	— 50

Personal Fouls: Wausau 13, Appleton 28

Rebounds: Wausau 39, Appleton 28

Shooting percentage: Wausau .459, Appleton .351

Officials: Steve Slattery and Wayne Kelliher

MILWAUKEE LINCOLN 80	FGA-M	FTA-M	PLATTEVILLE 65	FGA-M	FTA-M
Larry Thomas	4-3	4-3	Bill Hake	8-3	2-2
David Hickembottom	7-4	8-7	Jim Lawinger	12-6	21-18
Fred Brown	16-12	3-3	Dennis Nodolf	8-5	2-1
Clarence Sherrod	15-7	7-6	Steve Klaas	11-4	2-2
Ellis Turrentine	9-3	3-3	Tom Barth	9-2	0-0
Tommie Williams	0-0	0-0	John Steffens	2-1	0-0
			Bob Faherty	0-0	0-0
Totals	51-29	25-22	Totals	50-21	27-23

## Score by quarters:

Milwaukee Lincoln	22	20	19	19	— 80
Platteville	11	16	18	20	— 65

Personal Fouls: Milwaukee Lincoln 17, Platteville 15

Rebounds: Milwaukee Lincoln 33, Platteville 25

Shooting percentage: Milwaukee Lincoln .569, Platteville .420

Officials: Orlando Palesse and Ted Scalissi

# CONSOLATION SEMI-FINALS

WHITEFISH BAY 62	FGA-M	FTA-M	BARRON 58	FGA-M	FTA-M
Bill Smith	10-3	8-5	Monte Wold	11-3	9-7
Bill Humke	4-2	0-0	Brad Berge	7-5	6-5
Donn Wiese	16-9	1-1	Rick Maas	14-6	5-4
Howie Zien	8-3	5-4	Mark Jensen	4-1	1-1
Pete Bilgo	7-2	11-8	Jerry Hughes	12-3	9-5
Jim Coulson	4-2	0-0	Bob Paulson	1-0	1-0
Klaus Scholz	2-1	0-0			
Tom Templin	0-0	0-0	Totals	49-18	31-22
Totals	51-22	25-18			

## Score by quarters:

Whitefish Bay	19	16	9	18	— 62
Barron	15	15	10	18	— 58

Personal Fouls: Whitefish Bay 20, Barron 16

Rebounds: Whitefish Bay 41, Barron 35

Shooting percentage: Whitefish Bay .431, Barron .367

Officials: Don Hoff and Sam Young

GREEN BAY WEST 84	FGA-M	FTA-M	LA CROSSE CENTRAL 50	FGA-M	FTA-M
Dennis Gutzman	20-10	9-5	Todd Ondell	15-5	4-4
Bruce Koenig	8-4	2-2	Steve Flaten	5-1	2-1
Jerry Tagge	13-10	15-13	Jim Nordrum	5-2	5-5
Doug Behrendt	4-1	1-0	John Ford	12-3	6-5
Jim Anderson	1-1	0-0	Leif Sivertson	8-3	0-0
Dave Mason	6-3	3-2	Mark Dobbs	5-2	5-1
Stu Holliman	1-1	0-0	Karl Kuether	3-0	1-0
Chuck Schultz	1-0	0-0	Tom Meier	2-0	0-0
Scott Coleman	2-1	0-0	John Ginskey	2-1	0-0
John Klemmer	0-0	0-0	Bob Onsrud	0-0	0-0
Dennis Hansen	2-0	0-0	Steve Titcomb	0-0	0-0
Bob Nelson	0-0	0-0	Sam Sayles	0-0	0-0
Totals	58-31	30-22	Totals	57-17	23-16

## Score by quarters:

Green Bay West	22	19	26	17	— 84
La Crosse Central	14	13	6	17	— 50

Personal Fouls: Green Bay West 13, La Crosse Central 22

Rebounds: Green Bay West 42, La Crosse Central 41

Shooting percentage: Green Bay West .534, La Crosse Central .298

Officials: Charles Lowe and Harold Raether

# QUARTER FINALS

APPLETON 66	FGA-M	FTA-M	WHITEFISH BAY 55	FGA-M	FTA-M
George Hoffman	15-6	3-2	Bill Smith	15-7	7-7
Tom Hintz	12-7	2-1	Bill Humke	6-1	3-2
Tom Jones	4-1	3-2	Donn Wiese	9-4	3-2
Bob Simon	12-9	8-5	Howie Zien	9-4	4-3
Art Zuleger	4-2	1-1	Pete Bilgo	8-2	4-3
Rich Stach	3-2	2-1	Tom Templin	1-0	2-2
Totals	50-27	19-12	Totals	48-18	23-19

## Score by quarters:

Appleton	11	11	22	22	— 66
Whitefish Bay	12	23	8	12	— 55

Personal Fouls: Appleton 15, Whitefish Bay 14

Rebounds: Appleton 28, Whitefish Bay 35

Shooting percentage: Appleton .540, Whitefish Bay .375

Officials: George Sladky and James Bollinger

WAUSAU 68	FGA-M	FTA-M	BARRON 62	FGA-M	FTA-M
Steve Anderson	10-4	0-0	Jerry Hughes	17-8	2-1
Pat Reed	13-6	3-0	Brad Berg	9-3	1-0
Ken Roeder	8-5	12-10	Rick Maas	18-7	5-4
Larry Edwards	15-7	4-2	Mark Jensen	9-3	2-1
Frank Schade	12-4	5-4	Monte Wold	7-4	6-6
Chris Evans	0-0	0-0	Bob Paulson	1-0	0-0
Gary Seehafer	0-0	0-0			
Totals	58-26	24-16	Totals	61-25	16-12

## Score by quarters:

Wausau	13	20	18	17	— 68
Barron	14	17	20	11	— 62

Personal Fouls: Wausau 13, Barron 17

Rebounds: Wausau 43, Barron 36

Shooting percentage: Wausau .448, Barron .409

Officials: Al Skat and Gene Berce

PLATTEVILLE 68	FGA-M	FTA-M	GREEN BAY WEST 59	FGA-M	FTA-M
Bill Hake	3-2	4-4	Dennis Gutzman	9-7	14-11
Jim Lawinger	25-8	11-11	Bruce Koenig	9-4	0-0
Dennis Nodolf	6-5	1-0	Jerry Tagge	9-3	4-4
Steve Klaas	4-1	2-2	Doug Behrendt	7-4	2-0
Tom Barth	12-7	3-3	Jim Anderson	3-2	2-2
John Steffens	2-1	0-0	Dave Mason	2-1	0-0
Totals	52-24	21-20	Totals	39-21	22-17

## Score by quarters:

Platteville	12	17	15	24	— 68
Green Bay West	18	5	14	22	— 59

Personal Fouls: Platteville 18, Green Bay West 15

Rebounds: Platteville 31, Green Bay West 23

Shooting percentage: Platteville .462, Green Bay West .538

Officials: Don Malmstadt and Ken Kulick

MILWAUKEE LINCOLN 109	FGA-M	FTA-M	LA CROSSE CENTRAL 71	FGA-M	FTA-M
Larry Thomas	12-6	2-0	Todd Ondell	8-5	6-3
David Hickembottom	3-1	1-1	Steve Flaten	12-5	6-3
Fred Brown	28-13	2-2	Jim Nordrum	7-3	11-9
Ellis Turrentine	19-11	3-2	John Ford	9-0	10-7
Clarence Sherrod	21-12	5-5	Leif Sivertson	14-4	5-4
Tommie Williams	7-2	0-0	Mark Dobbs	3-1	6-3
Knut Hermann	3-1	1-0	Karl Kuether	0-0	0-0
Cal Purifoy	2-1	1-0	Tom Meier	1-0	6-4
Lee Tibdell	7-2	2-0	Steve Titcomb	0-0	0-0
Eugene Graham	2-0	2-1	Sam Sayles	0-0	1-0
Paul Bradley	1-0	0-0	Bob Onsrud	2-1	0-0
Fred Williamson	1-0	0-0	John Ginskey	0-0	0-0
Totals	106-49	19-11	Totals	56-19	51-33

## Score by quarters:

Milwaukee Lincoln	30	36	26	17	— 109
La Crosse Central	11	11	22	27	— 71

Personal Fouls: Milwaukee Lincoln 32, La Crosse Central 52

Rebounds: Milwaukee Lincoln 65, La Crosse Central 52

Shooting percentage: Milwaukee Lincoln .462, La Crosse Central .339

Officials: Gale Zimmerman and Richard Bestor