

1997 NWOAC...

Rockets set more records at NWOACs

Ross boys, girls 4th

News-Messenger reports

Helped by Lindsay Lange's record-setting performances in the 100-meter breaststroke and as part of the 200 medley relay, the Oak Harbor girls swimming team

SWIMMING

took third place with 216 points at the Northwest Ohio Aquatic Conference championships Saturday.

Napoleon, which also won last week's Great Lakes League championship, cruised to a meet victory with 363.50 points.

Swimming in her own pool, Lange posted a time of 1:07.88 in the 100 breast to break the 1992 meet record by nearly two seconds. It also passed the 1966 pool record of 1:08.04.

Lange teamed with Andrea Lajti, Kelly Van Horn and Amy Tabbert to set conference and pool records in the 200 medley

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relay, with a 1:53.37.

Van Horn also won the 100 butterfly in 1:01.69, and she took second place in the 100 backstroke in 1:02.90.

With 103 points, Fremont Ross came in fourth place as Molly O'Connor sprinted to a 50 freestyle victory in 25.03 seconds and was just 0.52 seconds behind Bowling Green's Lacey Ullman (54.18) in the 100 free.

O'Connor's victory in the 50 free was just .08 seconds ahead of Napoleon's Kim Woden.

Mindy Ickes was second in the

200 individual medley, with a 2:18.42. Tabbert touched in 2:20.97 for a fourth-place finish.

Ross coach Phil Moran was most impressed with the improvement displayed by some of his younger swimmers.

Courtney Abbott dropped to a 28.74 in the 50 free, while her 100 free time of 1:06.69 was five seconds faster than her previous best.

In the boys meet, Josh Fate dropped two seconds off his 100 butterfly (1:01.98) and a second off his backstroke (1:02.53).

"They swam well for the time of season we're in," Moran said. "It was a big meet for us, but we weren't rested for it. It's so close

to sectionals an districts you can't afford to do that, but the kids put out some really good times."

Northview cruised to boys victory with 292 points. The Little Giants were 24 points behind third-place Napoleon.

Ryan Newman's 372.35 points placed him third in diving behind the record-setting 490.60 of Perkins' Nic Cassidy.

Ross's 200 freestyle relay team of Hans Schmidlin, Jim Straight, Erik Luse and Pryde Yost scored a third-place finish in 1:34.07.



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Swimming & Diving NWOAC Championships

Boys

TEAM STANDINGS — Northview 292,

Perkins 232, Napoleon 172, Fremont
Ross 148, Sandusky 125, Bowling Green
111, Oak Harbor 96, Shawnee 95,
Southview 36, St. John's 33, Port Clinton
18, Ayersville 1.

1 200 MEDLEY RELAY — 1-Perkins
(Zach Henning, Chris Binton, Philip Jordan,
Dale Smith), 1:42.84; 2-Northview
1, Pat Kennedy, Marty Ross, Gabe Debord,
Brett Balhoff), 1:43.16; 3-Sandusky
(Shawn Dolan, C. Willinger, C. Patterson,
Shawn Holland), 1:44.44.

0 200 FREE — 1-Nich Cassidy (P),
1:48.37; 2-David Rengel (P), 1:49.83; 3-
Cory Barrett (OH), 1:50.60.

ie 200 IM — Brian Wolfe (S) 1:59.49; 2-
Brett Valhoff (S), 2:02.69; 3-Mark Nagel
(N), 2:03.15.

6 50 FREE — 1-Marty Ross (S), 22.29;
2-Shawn Holland (S), 22.43; 3-Andy
Jenkins (OH), 22.46.

3 DIVING — 1-Nick Cassidy (P), 490.60;
2-Mark Bevington (P), 437.95; 3-Ryan
Newman (F), 372.35.

4 100 FLY — 1-Chris Bintling (P), 53.27;
2-Pat Kennedy (S) 57.10; 3-Shawn
Hardy (SH), 57.21.

in 100 FREE — 1-Nick Chaney (SH),
48.41; 2-Shawn Holland (S), 49.86; 3-
Andy Jenkins (OH), 50.40.

2 500 FREE — 1-Brett Balhoff (S),
4:55.49; 2-Cory Barrett (OH), 4:56.77;
3-Lucas Womack (BG), 5:12.41.

3 200 FREE RELAY — 1-Northview
(Marty Ross, Joey Ross, G. Humberston,
Brian Wolfe), 1:32.02; 2-Sandusky (C.
Willinger, Ryan Leech, Andy Cebull,
Shawn Holland), 1:33.95; 3-Ross (Hans
Schmidlin, Jim Straight, Erik Luse, Pryde
Yost), 1:34.07.

1 100 BACK — 1-Brian Wolfe (S), 55.55;
2-Pat Kennedy (S), 55.81; 3-Zack Hen-
ning (P), 56.55.

0 100 BREAST — 1-Marty Ross (S),
1:01.89; 2-Mark Nagel (N), 1:02.20; 3-
Chuck Willinger (S), 1:04.28.

4 400 FREE RELAY — 1-Northview (Pat
Kennedy, Brian Wolfe, G. Humberston,
Brett Balhoff), 3:23.40; 2-Bowling Green
(Adam Gorsuch, Jens Hatch, Lucas
Womack, Tom Mohlman), 3:24.47; 3-
Perkins (David Routh, Dale Smith, Chris
Bintling, David Rengel), 3:27.64.

Girls

TEAM STANDINGS — Napoleon
363 1/2, Northview 298, Oak Harbor 216,
Fremont Ross 103, Notre Dame 87,
Bowling Green 82, Shawnee 75,
Southview 44 1/2, Port Clinton 43, Perkins
33, Ayersville 10, Sandusky 4.

200 MEDLEY RELAY — 1-Oak Harbor
(Adrea Lajiji, Kelly VanHorn, Lindsay
Lange, Amy Tabbert), 1:53.37; 2-
Napoleon, 1:56.58; 3-Northview,
1:57.29.

200 FREE — 1-Lacey Ullman (BG),
1:55.52; 2-Jessie Humes (B), 1:58.31; 3-
Anna Ziebler (S), 2:01.55.

200 IM — 1-Tisha Rath (N), 2:15.63;
2-Mindy Ickes (R), 2:18.42; 3-Lauren
Wagner (S), 2:18.95.

50 FREE — 1-Molly O'Connor (R),
25.03; 2-Kim Moden (N), 25.11; 3-Rita
Johnson (N), 25.84.

DIVING — 1-Erin Quinn (S), 406.70; 2-
S.Turner (ND), 367; 3-Laura Roberts
(OH), 349.85.

100 FLY — 1-Kelly VanHorn (OH),
1:01.69; 2-Rita Johnson (N), 1:01.77; 3-
Courtney Alcorn (S), 1:03.44.

100 FREE — 1-Lacey Ullman (BG),
54.18; 2-Molly O'Connor (R), 54.70; 3-
Amy Kleck (N), 55.59.

500 FREE — 1-Tisha Rath (N),
5:11.87; 2-Jessie Humes (BG), 5:12.23;
3-Ashley Atkinson (N), 5:21.31.

200 FREE RELAY — 1-Napoleon
(Rita Johnson, Amy Kleck, Kim Moden,
Tisha Rath), 1:47.20; 2-Oak Harbor
(Amy Tabbert, Lindsay Lange, Kelly Van-
Horn, M. Jenkins), 1:43.53; 3-Bowling
Green (Lacey Ullman, Jessie Humes,
Lenna Lewis, Amber Alder), 1:49.45.

100 BACK — 1-Amy Kelch (N),
1:02.64; 2-Kelly VanHorn (OH), 1:02.90;
3-Sarah Skomedal (S), 1:04.13.

100 BREAST — 1-Lindsay Lange
(OH), 1:07.88; 2-Lauren Wagner (S),
1:11.16; 3-Courtney Alcorn (S), 1:12.46.

400 FREE RELAY — 1-Napoleon
(Jenny Latta, Kim Moden, Tisha Rath),
3:47.16; 2-Northview, 3:48.25; 3-Bowling
Green, 3:54.62.