

2002 District...

Swimming

Ross girls send 4 to state

Lady Giants shatter points mark at district

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BOWLING GREEN — It was easy for Fremont Ross swim coach Phil Moran to sum up the Division I district, which saw two individuals and two relay teams qualify for this week's state meet.

"The best ever," Moran said.



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"Two girls in three events and two girls relays qualified to swim at state meet next weekend, and everyone on the team swam either a personal or season-best time."

The Lady Giants scored 184 points, the most points ever for the girls team at a district, for fifth place in a field of 71 teams. The old record of 147 points was set in 1995.

The Ross boys tied with Sylvania Southview for ninth, with 81 points.

The top point-getter for the girls was junior Britany O'Connor, who scored 34 points by finishing second in the 50-yard freestyle and second in the 100 backstroke. She qualified for the state meet in both events.

O'Connor set a school record at 59.36 seconds in the backstroke event. The old record of 1:01.34, belonging to Heather Winning, dates back 20 years to 1982.

"I've had my eye on that record all season long," O'Connor said, "and felt that with a good taper I could get it at districts. Hopefully, I'll break it again at states."

Senior tri-captain Morgan O'Connor finished third in her two events, the 100 and 200 freestyles, for 32 team points. Her personal-best time of 1:57:30 qualified her to swim at state in the 200 freestyle.

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Girls enjoy best showing at district swim meet

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"Although she finished the same in both events, our girls district only has one automatic bid to states," Moran said. "So while Morgan had the 22nd-fastest time in her 100 free and 24 girls qualify, two girls with slightly slower times got automatic bids in their districts, and Morgan got bumped. We've had years when our swimmers got to states having bumped someone else. It's unfortunate, but it happens every year. The number of automatic bids is based on the number of teams in each district, so I guess that's as fair as it can get."

The O'Connors teamed up with senior Sarah Berger and sophomore Jaymelee Glaspy for a third-place finish in the 200 freestyle relay and a record-smashing 3:43.56 for second place in the 400 freestyle relay. Both relays advanced to state. The old record of 3:48:03, set last year, belonged to the O'Connors, Berger and graduate Noelle Stroemple.

"By five seconds! I can hardly believe it, and I was in it, again," said Berger, who also gave the team nine points with her ninth-place finish in the 500 freestyle.

Sisters Jaymelee and Sam Glaspy matched each other point for point for five each, with Jayme getting four in the 100 freestyle and one in the 50 freestyle and Sam earning four in the 500 freestyle and one in the 200 freestyle. Rounding out the girls



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scoring were junior diver Alyssa Zimmerman, who finished seventh for 12 team points, and junior Wendy Farrell, who swam a personal-best of 1:15.35 for 10th place in the 100 breaststroke and seven team points.

Boys ninth; 12 lettermen return

Junior Elliot Hogan put a team-high 22 points on the board for the Little Giants with a sixth place in the 100 breaststroke and a ninth in the 50 freestyle.

Freshman Jake Ickes added another 12 with a 10th place in the 200 freestyle on a 3.75-second drop off his personal-best time, and a 12th in the 500 freestyle on a 14.4-second drop.

"Hogan dropped half a second last week in the 50 and just over a half second this week. I know that doesn't sound like much, but in the 50 free that's a lot," Moran said. "And 14 seconds in the 500 free? Jake's only a freshman, doing a 5:10. The school record's a 4:2 — for now."

Said Hogan, "The one I'm the most happy about is the 200 yard medley relay. We finished sixth, were seeded in ninth and beat our sectional time from last weekend

by five seconds. And the best part is, all four guys are returning next year. It'll be awesome."

The other returning lettermen include Ickes and sophomores Rob Hoelzle and Nate Schrickel.

"Next year, states," Ickes said.

The boys' ninth-place 200 freestyle relay team of Hogan, Ickes, Schrickel and VanDyne will also be intact next year, and only one guy on the 400 freestyle relay is graduating in captain Paul Nalley, who swam a career-best in his final 100-yard leg.

"Hogan's right," Moran said. "They swam that 200 medley relay in the mid-one-fifties all season, so a drop to 1:44:82 is awesome. Hogan swam a consistent 27 seconds on the 50 breast and swam 22s in his 50 frees all weekend. He and Ickes should both be doing under 50 seconds in the 100 free next year. Hoelzle's also near that, and dropped two-and-a-half seconds and broke a minute in his 100 backstroke. Schrickel turned in a 26-second 50 butterfly in that medley. Noah Grayson dropped almost 14 seconds in his 500. Brandon Spicer, Greg VanDyne, Dave Albrechta, Aaron Gray, Alan Gamble, they all dropped time this year. Yeah, I'd say I'm looking forward to next year and to states this weekend."

The Ross girls state qualifiers will compete on Friday and Saturday at Branin Natatorium in Canton. Brittany O'Connor will compete in the 50 freestyle, and Morgan O'Connor will participate in the 200 freestyle on Friday. On Saturday, the two relay teams will

Montano just misses berth in state meet

BOWLING GREEN — Oak Harbor's Janelle Montano narrowly missed a state bid in the 50-yard freestyle event at the Division II girls district.

Montano finished seventh at the district in a time of 25.77 seconds. The final at-large bid when to Rocky River Lutheran West's Kristen Everhart, who swam a 25.59.

The Rockets' best finish came from the girls 400 freestyle relay team of Michelle Druckenmiller, Branda Rose, Montano and Lauren Grover. The team finished sixth in a time of 3:54.18 and just missed an at-large state bid.

Lakota's Sonia Schumaker finished sixth in the 100 backstroke and also narrowly missed going to state.

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compete as will Brittany O'Connor in the 100 breaststroke. The preliminaries begin at 9:30 a.m. Friday, and the finals start at 8:30 p.m. On Saturday, preliminaries begin at 9 a.m. with finals to follow at 6 p.m.

Swimming

High School Boys

District Meet Results

Division I

Top three get automatic state berths

At-large berths denoted by italics

50 Freestyle

1. Josh Boyd (Napoleon) 21.41, 2. Jim Berger (St. Peter) 21.57, 3. Curtis Emerick (Colonel Crawford) 21.74, 9. Elliot Hogan (Ross) 22.73.

100 Freestyle

1. Jim Berger (St. Peter) 47.58, 2. Josh Boyd (Napoleon) 47.63, 3. Emerick (Colonel Crawford) 47.97, 32. Chris Niederkohr (Margaretta) 55.38.

200 Freestyle

1. Pat Carroll (St. Francis DeSales) 1:42.21, 2. Paul Richard (Bowling Green) 1:42.59, 3. Craig Knierim (Wauseon) 1:47.28, 10. Jake Ickes (Ross) 1:51.71, 20. Brett Collins (Margaretta) 1:56.89, 21. Rob Hoelzle (Ross) 1:57.21, 29. David Albrechta (Ross) 1:59.42.

500 Freestyle

1. Paul Ricard (Bowling Green) 4:39.73, 2. Dan Wohl (Perkins) 4:41.38, 3. Josiah Rosmarin (Mansfield Christian) 4:49.49, 10. Brett Collins (Margaretta) 5:09.76, 12. Ickes (Ross) 5:10.50, 21. Noah Grayson (Ross) 5:21.73, 30. Alan Gamble (Ross) 5:33.19

100 Backstroke

1. Pat Carroll (St. Francis DeSales), 52.99, 2. Daniel Goldberg (Sylvania Southview) 53.69, 3. Matt Rennels (St. Francis DeSales) 53.75, 14. Hoelzle (Ross) 59.34, 19. Brandon Spicer (Ross) 1:00.46.

100 Breaststroke

1. Jake Breymaier (St. Francis DeSales) 59.73, 2. Dan Fleck (Celina) 1:00.72, 3. Jacob Randall (Lima Shawnee) 1:01.58, 6. Hogan (Ross) 1:02.57, 20. Kevin Weichel (Margaretta) 1:08.19, 23. Jeremy Laubacher (OH) 1:08.53, 25. Nate Schrickel (Ross) 1:08.72, 28. Greg VanDyne (Ross) 1:10.13.

100 Butterfly

1. Andrew Rennels (St. Francis DeSales) 52.36, 2. Daniel Goldberg (Sylvania Southview) 52.76, 3. Mike Mickus (St. John's Jesuit) 55.35, 22. Spicer (Ross) 1:00.67, 29. Aaron Gray (Ross) 1:02.90.

200 Individual Medley

1. Dan Wohl (Perkins) 1:55.41, 2. Rennels (St. Francis DeSales) 1:58.34, 3. Jake Breymaier (St. Francis DeSales) 1:58.66, 21. Grayson (Ross) 2:13.89.

200 Freestyle Relay

1. St. Francis DeSales (A. Rennels, R. McHugh, J. Breymaier, P. Carroll) 1:27.04, 2. Napoleon (L. Hoover, C. Schwaiger, J. Saul, J. Boyd) 1:29.09, 3. Perkins (D. Wohl, M. Smith, D. Janitzki, D. Hower) 1:30.03, 9. Ross (E. Hogan, G. VanDyne, N. Schrickel, J. Ickes) 1:34.60, 15. Margaretta (C. Niederkohr, B. Collins, R. Voegle, C. Volz) 1:36.67, 30. Oak Harbor (J. Diekman, T. McRitchie, N. Burns, J. Laubacher) 1:43.35.

400 Freestyle Relay

1. St. Francis DeSales (Rennels, Palmer, Breymaier, Carroll) 3:14.03, 2. Perkins (Wohl, Smith, Janitzki, Hower) 3:17.43, 3. Bowling Green (Ricard, Nelson, Titus, Jaffee) 3:18.18, 11. Margaretta (Niederkohr, Volz, Keegan, Bollins) 3:33.36, 16. Ross (Grayson, Albrechta, Nalley, Hoelzle) 3:36.32.

200 Medley Relay

1. Lima Shawnee (Boulter, Randall, Keske, Drum) 1:41.20, 2. St. Francis DeSales (Rennels, Melzak, Palmer, McHugh) 1:41.31, 3. St. John's Jesuit (Nye, Barone, Mickus, Fournier) 1:43.86, 6. Ross (Hoelzle, Hogan, Schrickel, Ickes) 1:44.82, 19. Margaretta (Keegan, Weichel, Voegle, Niederkohr) 1:53.06, 28. Oak Harbor (Laubacher, Tabbert, Diekman, McRitchie) 1:58.63.

Diving

1. Kieron Cindric (Findlay) 388.25, 2. Michael Grapner (Celina) 376.20, 3. Dane Greer (Mansfield) 356.70, 6. Josh Rohrbacher (Margaretta) 331, 17. Brett Laub (OH) 188.40, 18. Zachery Ramey (Ross) 187.15, 24. Nick Niederkohr (Margaretta) 105.05, 32. Brian Wright (Ross) 67.10.

High School Girls

District Meet Results

Division I

Top finisher gets automatic state berth

At-large berths denoted by italics

50 Freestyle

1. Katie Carroll (Notre Dame) 23.97,
2. Brittany O'Connor (Ross) 24.31, 16. Jaymelee Glaspy (Ross) 26.54.

100 Freestyle

1. Susan Johnson (Notre Dame), 53.37, 3. Morgan O'Connor (Ross) :54.27, 13. Jaymelee Glaspy (Ross) :57.81.

200 Freestyle

1. Ellen Johnson (Notre Dame) 1:53.99, 3. Morgan O'Connor (Ross) 1:57.30, 16. Sam Glaspy (Ross) 2:09.11, 28. Micheline Fahrback (Ross) 2:17.80.

500 Freestyle

1. Michelle Silva (Notre Dame) 5:18.59, 9. Sarah Berger (Ross) 5:45.12, 13. Sam Glaspy (Ross) 5:50.80.

100 Backstroke

1. Kitsie Kerner (Notre Dame) 59.27, 2. Brittany O'Connor (Ross) 59.36, 23. Micheline Fahrback (Ross) 1:10.85.

100 Breaststroke

1. Mary-Katherine Harr (Notre Dame) 1:10.09, 10. Wendy Farrell (Ross) 1:15.35, 31. Emily Grayson (Ross) 1:20.84.

100 Butterfly

1. Johnson (Notre Dame) 58.83, 17. Jenny Fate (Ross) 1:08.87, 27. Kristen VanDyne (Ross) 1:12.49.

200 Individual Medley

1. Carroll (Notre Dame) 2:07.08, 17. Berger (Ross) 2:27.94, 28. Farrell (Ross) 2:32.77, 30. Fate (Ross) 2:33.26, 31. VanDyne (Ross) 2:35.38.

200 Freestyle Relay

1. Notre Dame (Johnson, Friderichs, Johnson, Carroll) 1:39.46, 3. Ross (M. O'Connor, Berger, J. Glaspy, B. O'Connor) 1:42.35.

400 Freestyle Relay

1. Notre Dame (Johnson, Winfield, Silva, Carroll) 3:38.50, 2. Ross (B. O'Connor, M. O'Connor, Berger, J. Glaspy) 3:43.56.

200 Medley Relay

1. Notre Dame (Kerner, M. Harr, Johnson, L. Harr) 1:52.12, 10. Ross (Fahrback, Farrell, Fate, S. Glaspy) 2:04.93.

Diving

1. Megan Sieg (St. Ursula) 357.15, 2. Amy Shunk (Sylvania Northview) 336.35, 3. Chelsea Theaker (Mansfield) 310.80, 7. Alyssa Zimmerman (Ross) 285.45.