

## 2012 NWOAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

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The Little Giants' Valerie Bixler swims in the 100-yard breaststroke at the NWOAC championships. PHOTOS BY DOUG HISE/NEWS-MESSENGER CORRESPONDENT

## Ross girls excel at NWOAC

Little Giants are fastest they've been this year going into the postseason, says coach

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Saturday's Northwest Ohio Athletic Conference Championships swim meet couldn't have started much better for the Fremont Ross girls.

And coach Tina Moses is very excited about the future as well.

Haley Fisher, Laura Duncan, Sammi Miller and Megan Hawk began Saturday's events by establishing a meet record in the 200 medley relay at 1 minute, 50.95 seconds.

"The meet started great," Moses said. "That's the fastest they've been this year. We're excited going toward the postseason."

Miller, a senior, also won the 50

(24.79) and 100 (54.25) freestyles at her final home meet.

"What a great end to her high school career," Moses said.

Fisher also won the 100 backstroke (1:01.85) and was third in the 200 IM as the Little Giants' girls finished third overall with 350 points. Perkins won the girls portion at 425.5.

Duncan was second in the 100 butterfly and 100 breaststroke, and Hawk was third in the 200 freestyle. Duncan, Danielle Minier, Alesha Overmyer and Miller were second in the 200 freestyle relay while Hawk, Minier, Overmyer and Fisher were third in the 400 freestyle relay.

"They're swimming very fast



Fremont Ross's Scott Kosakowski swims in the 200-yard medley relay.

for this time of year," Moses said. "They're looking good going into the end of the season getting ready to taper. They're right

where we expect them to be.

"We're excited and expect them

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to swim fast at the championship meets coming up.”

Keith Wasserman, Bobby Carnicom, Chris Hoffman and Graham Moor were second in the 200 freestyle relay as the Little Giants’ boys also finished third with 315 points. Napoleon won the boys portion at 424.

“The relays are starting to gel,” Ross boys coach Phil Moran said. “That takes time when you have one kid back.”

Wasserman, who was also third in the 100 and 200 freestyles Saturday, is the only returner from

last season’s state qualifying 200 freestyle relay.

Wasserman, Carnicom, Scott Kosakowski and Moor were second in the 400 freestyle relay. Moor was second in the 200 freestyle and 100 butterfly.

Carnicom shaved four seconds off his best time in the 200 freestyle to finish sixth at 1:55.58 and had solid relay splits.

“We had some (personal records) and some of the young kids had good swims,” Moran said.

Ben Dresser was third in the 50 freestyle as Oak Harbor’s boys were sixth with 216 points. The Rockets’ girls finished seventh at 108.

“Ben Dresser had some phenomenal swims,” Oak Harbor

coach Andrea Sorg said. “Every time he was in the water he busted out a better time than he had this season. Ayrton Wiegand had some nice swims.

“Both teams stepped up and had some great swims. Everybody swam solid. We had some time drops in the 200 free. It was a solid performance all-around for the boys and girls.”

The Rockets swam season-bests in the boys 400 freestyle relay and girls 400 medley relay. Jordan Thorp (diving) and Kaylie Hallett-Szymanski (backstroke) also stood out for Sorg.

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