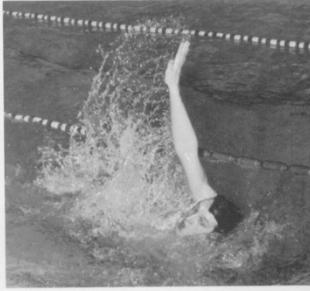


1971 Season review...

	WE	THEY
Port Clinton	44	51
Lima Senior	57	37
Napoleon	33	61
Toledo Whitmer	51	44
Lakewood		
St. Edwards	52	43
Sandusky	47	48
Findlay	32	63
Findlay	35	60
Massfield	67	24
Buckeye Conf. at Mansfield	3rd place	
Sandusky	45	50



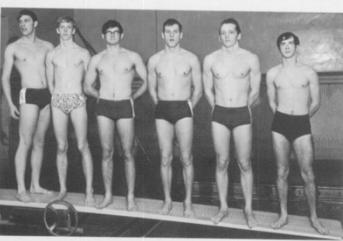
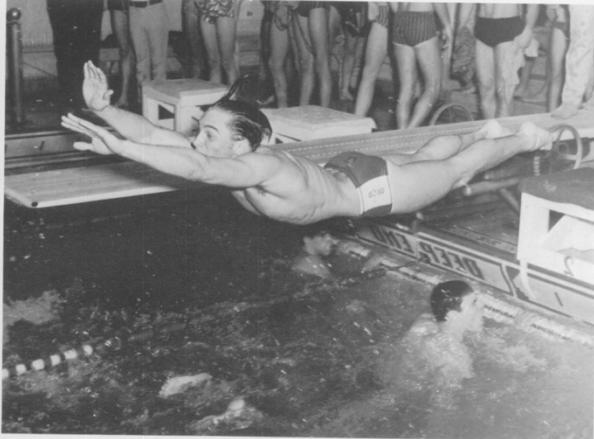
ROW ONE: Pat Aten — Co-Captain; Randy Hottinger — Co-Captain; ROW TWO: Chuck Vandergrift, Toby Peck, John Ely, Tom Hakes, Steve Frost, Kevin Brawley, Tom White, Dave Vandergrift, Dave Graham; ROW THREE: Ray Palyshka — Mgr.; Rick Adams, Andy Christensen, Darrell Mann, Cy Connors, Frank Mattson, Steve Willer, Bill Shoup; ROW FOUR: Casey Collins — Mgr.; Steve Zilles — Mgr.; Dave Billman, Ron Miller, Pat Collins, Coach Zwierlein; Ass't Coach Kramer; Diving Instructor Dan Linder.



ABOVE: Senior Pat Aten, executes a backstroke, finishing first in his event
ABOVE RIGHT: Junior Kevin Brawley makes a racing start as he begins the butterfly leg of a medley relay. LEFT: Senior Chuck Vandergrift performs near-perfect dive at the Lakewood St. Edward meet.

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Swimmers Fifth In District; Two Go To State



SENIORS: Pat Collins, Cy Connors, Bill Shoup, Randy Hottinger, Pat Aten, Chuck Vandergrift.

Under the new leadership of Coach Zwierlein, the swimming team was a hard working group whose dedication and effort made the difference in winning some key meets. This was the first year in ten years that the Ross tankers have defeated the Lima Senior team.

Randy Hottinger and Pat Aten co-captained this year's team to four victories and a place in the district swim competition among nineteen schools. Andy Christensen in diving and Pat Aten in both the individual medley and butterfly events qualified and participated in the state swim meet. The senior members of the squad included Pat Aten — most valuable member, Pat Collins, Cy Connors, Randy Hottinger, Bill Shoup, and Chuck Vandergrift.

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Purple Scores 46-42 Victory

Purple defeated White, 46-42, in the annual Fremont Ross inter-squad swimming meet at the junior high school pool Thursday evening.

Pat Aten and Bill Shoup co-captained the Purple unit. White co-captains were Pat Collins and Tom White. Coach Ron Swierlein's squad opens its season at Port Clinton December 14.

Ross Tankers

Open Season

Four lettermen will be in the lineup when Fremont Ross opens its swimming schedule at Port Clinton Monday at 4 p.m.

Returning from last year's squad that compiled a 9-1 dual meet record and won the Buckeye Conference championship are Randy Hottinger, Pat Aten, Pat Collins and Andy Christensen.

Hottinger and Aten have been elected co-captains for the 1970-71 squad.

"We have had some real fine practices," first-year coach Ron Zwierlein said Friday. "Most of the fellows have bettered their fastest time of last year. That's quite an accomplishment for this early in the season.

"Right now I'm most concerned about our depth. We don't have a lot of help in the sprint races. But our individual medley, distance and diving events do have a number of individuals who should score consistently.

"I'm also anxious to see how these fellows react in a meet situation. Most of them have swum competitively before but never at this level of competition. It might take them a couple of meets to become adjusted.

"Each boy will be trying to develop his own potential during the season. Every member of the team has his own record book and every night after practice he records that day's practice times. Each fellow has set up a number of individual goals that he wants to achieve this season."

The Little Giants will probably use the following line up in their opener:

200-yard medley relay—Steve Frost, Toby Peck, Dave Billman and Steve Willard.

200-yard individual medley—Cy Connors and either Pat Aten or Kevin Brawley.

200-yard freestyle—Pat Collins and Eric Bristley.

100-yard freestyle — Ron Miller and Steve Willard or Bill Shoup.

Diving—Andy Christensen and Charles Vangergrift.

50 - yard freestyle—Ron Miller and Randy Hottinger.

400-yard freestyle—Eric Bristley and Pat Collins.

100-yard backstroke—Steve Frost and Rick Adams or Tom Hakes.

100-yard breast stroke—Dave Billman and either Pat Aten or Cy Connors.

400-yard freestyle—Randy Hottinger, Tom White, Steve Willard and either Pat Aten or Steve Frost.

"Near the end of the meeting the lineup will be determined by the score," Zwierlein said. "We might have to make some changes."

The coaching staff has been working out with 25 candidates. Only three sophomores are listed on the varsity. A total of 16 juniors and six seniors complete the roster.

Zwierlein expects Sandusky and Findlay to battle it out for the Buckeye Conference championship this season.

"Both teams have a lot of people returning from last year," Zwierlein said. "They both gave Ross trouble in last year's meet."

The schedule:

December 14—at Port Clinton; 19—at Lima Senior.

January 9—at Napoleon; 11—TOLEDO WHITMER; 16—LAKEWOOD ST. EDWARD's; 19—SANDUSKY; 22—at Findlay; 30—FINDLAY.

February 3—MANSFIELD; 13—Buckeye Conference at Mansfield; 16—at Sandusky; 20—District at Toledo St. Francis; 26-27—State at Ohio State university.

Victory In Final Event Does It

Pt. Clinton Swimmers Defeat Ross 51 To 44

PORT CLINTON — Port Clinton scored a victory in the final event of the day — the 400-yard freestyle relay — to upend Fremont Ross, 51-44, in a scholastic swimming meet Monday.

Both teams entered the final event with 44 points. The Port Clinton foursome edged Ross' relay delegation by 2.8 seconds. The Redskins were timed in 3:52.

"Basically, our lack of depth is what hurt us," Ross head coach Ron Zwierlein said. "In the two relay events we couldn't use our best men. We had to use them in other events to gain points.

"But, we did have bright spots. Pat Aten and Eric Bristley won two events apiece. Andy Christensen, was only 10 points off the pool record in winning the diving. He competed with a sprained ankle. Kevin Brawley was sick last week but turned in a fine time in the final relay.

Be All Right' tain Shot aintenance'

Ramsey's wife, Desiree, weeping on a bench in the hospital emergency room, told newsmen the assailant "was an acquaintance, but I don't know why he did it."

Police Lt. James Lavin said detectives believe Ramsey "might have known" the assailant "from seeing him around." Lavin said Ramsey had been interviewed by police, but that he didn't know why he had been shot.

Lavin said there were many witnesses to the shooting, which occurred on a busy street, but that police had not talked to all of them yet.

"There is no indication this was involved with football," Lavin said.

The 6-foot-1 Indiana University graduate, drafted 14th by the Eagles in 1963, led the team in pass interceptions in 1964 and 1965 and had a career total of 18. He is a native of Neptune, N. J.

At the Hospital, Dr. James E. Nixon, team physician told Mrs. Ramsey that "there is nothing to worry about. He is going to be all right."

Nixon said the bullet would not be removed unless it became necessary.

"Our inexperience also hurt us. A number of our fellows competed in their first varsity meet. Port Clinton was swimming in its third meet. That had to make some difference. Port Clinton swam well. A number of their

fellows had their best times of the year."

Bristley pulled out first places for the Little Giants in the 200 and 400 yard freestyle events. Aten notched his 10 team points in the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard breaststroke.

Christensen, a junior, tallied 212.35 points in the diving competition. Port Clinton's Steve Wylie was second and Charlie Vandergrift of Ross took third place honors.

Randy Hottinger was the only other victor for the Little Giants. He took top honors in the 50-yard freestyle with a :25.2 clocking.

Toby Peck (100-yard butterfly), Hottinger (100-yard freestyle) and Steve Frost (100-yard backstroke) were second place finishers for Ross.

Pat Collins (200-yard freestyle), Vandergrift and Rick Adams (100-yard backstroke) finished in third position for the Purple and White.

Port Clinton tankers won both relays, the 100-yard butterfly, 100-yard freestyle and 100-yard backstroke. Each relay victory gave the Redskins seven points compared to none for the Little Giants.

Ross, which now has an 0-1 record, returns to action Saturday when it travels to Lima Senior.

200-yard medley relay — 1. Port Clinton (Allen, Waltz, Kowalczyk and Clemons), 1:56.9.

200-yard freestyle — 1. Eric Bristley (R); 2. Luchsinger (PC); 3. Pat Collins (R); 2:06.2.

200-yard individual medley — 1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Wentz (PC); 3. Vogel (PC); 2:17.1.

50-yard freestyle — 1. Randy Hottinger (R); 2. Clemons (PC); 3. Wonnell (PC); .25.2.

Diving — 1. Andy Christensen (R); 2. Wiley (PC); 3. Charlie Vandergrift (R); 212.35.

100-yard butterfly — 1. Kowalczyk (PC);

2. Toby Peck (R); 3. Willer (PC); 1:07.

100-yard freestyle — 1. Wood (PC); 2. Randy Hottinger (R); 3. Luchsinger (PC); .55.

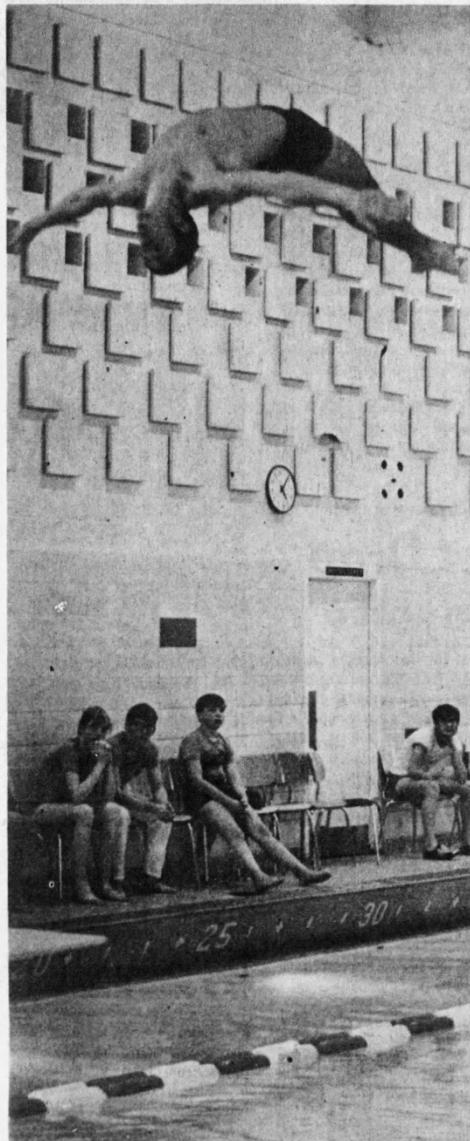
400-yard freestyle — 1. Eric Bristley (R); 2. Matras (PC); 3. Merrill (PC); 4:33.8.

100-yard backstroke — 1. Wentz (PC); 2.

Steve Frost (R); 3. Rick Adams (R); 1:07.6

100-yard breaststroke — 1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Waltz (PC); 3. Derill Mann (R); 1:09.4.

400-yard freestyle relay — 1. Port Clinton (Allen, Wonnell, Vogel and G. Wood); 3:52.0.



A WINNER: Andy Christensen, Ross high diving star, was showing perfect form in this dive at the Ross-Port Clinton meet Monday. Ross lost the final event and the meet, but the Little Giant star took his specialty scoring 212.35 points. (News-Messenger Photo)

UCLA Keeps Top Rating

By The Associated Press

One, two ... they're still doing the Rankings Shuffle with UCLA at the head of the line.

The same faces appear in the Top Ten, headed by UCLA's indomitable Bruins, No. 1 with 33 first place votes and 712 points from sports writers and broadcasters around the country.

The Top Twenty, with first place votes in parentheses and total points on a 20-18-16-14-12-10-9-8 etc. basis:

Aten Scores Double Victory

Ross Tankers Down Lima Senior

Ross swimming coach Ron Zwierlein used a newspaper story to prepare his squad for Saturday's meet with Lima Senior.

"Going down there I got out a story from the paper in Port Clinton and passed it around," Zwierlein related, "the story was all slanted to Port Clinton, which had beaten us earlier last week. I told the team the only way we could stop that was by winning."

And, that is exactly what the Little Giants did. They got Zwierlein his first victory as a varsity coach and also evened the season report card at 1-1 with a convincing 57-37 triumph.

The Ross tankers had seven first places in the eleven events, including victories in both relays.

Senior Pat Aten notched two of the wins — in the 100-yard butterfly and 100-yard backstroke. In the backstroke, Aten set a Ross record with a 1:05 clocking.

"Pat had a real good day," Zwierlein said. "He had a 1:01.9 in the butterfly and that is darn good for this time of the year. I think if there was any event that could be called the key it was the butterfly.

"Lima used their best swimmer — Chris Alexander — and Pat beat him badly. Then Toby Peck finished third. Those points were a big help.

"All of our fellows gave a good effort. Tom Hakes swam the

first leg of the 200-yard medley and had his best time of the year. Then he swam in the 100 back and bettered his previous best time by four seconds. It was the first time Tom competed in a varsity match.

"Tom White gave a good individual effort. We switched him from the 100 to 200-yard freestyle this week and he beat our other man, Eric Bristley. Tom's time was 10 seconds better than what he has ever done in practice. Then he swam the first leg of the last relay in under a minute.

"Our two divers — Andy Christensen and Chuck Vandergrift — also had a good day. We expected Cy Connors and Kevin Brawley to finish one in the 200-yard individual medley and they did.

"Our fellows knew what they had to do. I told them not to get discouraged if Lima took first and second in a couple of events. "Maturity was a big factor. Having the Port Clinton meet under our belt meant a lot. We showed a lot more confidence in the water. The first relay victory was awful important. It put us seven points ahead and gave the fellows momentum. We were sky high after that."

Besides Aten, individual winners for the Little Giants included Cy Connors (200-yard butterfly) and 100-yard backstroke. In the backstroke, Aten set a Ross record with a 1:05 clocking.

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individual medley), Christensen and Randy Hottinger (100-yard freestyle).

Members of the 200-yard medley relay unit were Hakes, Connors, Toby Peck and Hottinger. White, Brawley, Bristley and Pat Collins swam on the 400-yard freestyle unit.

Those who earned second place points included White, Brawley, Vandergrift and Pat Collins (400-yard freestyle). Third place point getters were Bristley (200-yard freestyle),

Ron Miller (50-yard freestyle), Peck, Steve Miller (100-yard freestyle) Hakes and Darrill Mann (100-yard breaststroke).

Next event for Ross is the **Bowling Green State University Relays** January 2.

The results:

200-yard medley relay — 1. Ross (Tom Hakes, Cy Connors, Toby Peck and Randy Hottinger), 1:59.1.

200-yard freestyle — 1. Tshuor (L); 2. Eric Bristley (R); 3. Tom White (R); 1:54.

200-yard individual medley — 1. Cy Connors (R); 2. Kevin Brawley (R); 2:20.4 (only two place finishers — Lima and Ross swimmers disqualified).

50-yard freestyle — 1. Balmer (L); 2. Wade (L); 3. Ron Miller (R); 25.9. Diving — 1. Andy Christensen (R); 2. Chuck Vandergrift (R); 3. Brier (L); 199.60.

100-yard butterfly — 1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Alexander (L); 3. Toby Peck (R); 1:01.2.

100-yard freestyle — 1. Randy Hottinger (R); 2. Hill (L); 3. Steve Willer (R); 56.0.

400-yard freestyle — 1. Tshuor (L); 2. Pat Collins (R); 3. Schilling (L); 4:16.8.

100-yard backstroke — 1. Alexander (R); 2. Hewell (L); 3. Tom Hakes (R); 1:05.7.

100-yard breaststroke — 1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Krammer (L); 3. Darrill Mann (R); 1:06.7.

400-yard freestyle relay — 1. Ross (Tom White, Kevin Brawley, Eric Bristley and Pat Collins); 3:53.

Old Fort Trips St. Wendelin

OLD FORT — Dave Burks came off the bench to score 19 points and lead Old Fort past **Fostoria St. Wendelin**, 85-71, in non-conference basketball action here Saturday.

Burks was one of five Old Fort players to dent double figures. Mark Murray was one point off the pace set by Burks. Steve Berlekamp and Doug Terry each scored 16 points and Larry Willis added 14.

"Burks did an excellent job in coming off the bench," Old Fort coach Tom Bise said. "All of our kids gave a tremendous effort."

"Murray continued to do a fine job on offense and defense. In my opinion he's the best all-around ball player in the Seneca County League.

"Terry did a good job in quarterbacking our offense. Willis and Berlekamp both had fine nights offensively and

experience. They know what I expect of them and go out and do the job."

Old Fort outscored the Mohawks in every quarter. By period the Stockaders scored 18, 22, 19 and 26 points. St. Wendelin had 15, 18, 18 and 20.

From the field, Old Fort canned 31 of 82 shots. The Stockaders were 23-36 at the charity stripe. St. Wendelin was 27-84 in field goals and 17-24 at the foul line.

St. Wendelin's leading scorers included Jeff Gillig (17), Bob Oberle (16), Jeff Faeth (14), Steve Williams (12) and Mike

Hipsher (10). The Mohawks held a 52-41 rebounding advantage.

Old Fort, which now has a 5-2 record, travels to **Otsego December 29**.

St. Wendelin	FG	FT	Td
Frankart	1	0	2
Hipsher	3	4	10
Williams	4	4	12
Faeth	5	4	14
Gillig	6	5	17
Oberle	8	0	16
Totals	17	17	71
Old Fort	FG	FT	Td
Willis	5	4	14
Terry	5	4	16
Murray	7	4	18
Berlekamp	6	4	16
D. Burks	8	3	19
J. Burks	0	2	2
Totals	31	23	85
St. Wendelin	15	18	20-71
Old Fort	18	22	19-85

College Scores

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

East

Pitt 89, Cornell 65

Tulsa 88, Ga. Southern 61

Dayton 65, Kent St. 63

Bradley 76, St. Louis 71

Tankers Trim Napoleon

NAPOLEON—Fremont Ross' swimming team hiked its record to 2-1 with a convincing 61-33 victory over Napoleon Saturday afternoon.

The Little Giants had eight first places in the 11 events and

200-yard medley relay—Ross (Steve Frost, Dave Billman, Toby Peck and Ron Miller).

200-yard freestyle—1. Coonrod (N); 2. Pat Collins (R); 3. Eric Bristley (R); 2:05.7.

200-yard individual medley—1. Cy Connors (R); 2. Kevin Brawley (R); 3. Chutch (N); 2:29.4.

50-yard freestyle—1. Randy Hottinger (R); 2. Vocke (N); 3. Pat Aten (R); :25.0.

Diving—1. Chuck Vandergrift (R); 2. Morehead (N); 3. Butterfield (N); 131.70.

100-yard butterfly—1. Steve Willer (R); 2. Randy Hottinger (R); 1:07.7.

100-yard freestyle—1. Graham (N); 2. Boyd (N); 3. Dave Graham (R); 1:00.3.

400-yard freestyle—1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Coonrod (N); 3. Eric Bristley (R); 4:24.2.

100-yard backstroke—1. Desgrange (N); 2. Steve Frost (R); 3. Tom Hakes (R); 1:07.3.

100-yard breaststroke—1. Darrill Mann (R); 2. Day (N); 3. Baker (N); 1:14.7.

400-yard freestyle relay—1. Ross (Frank Mattson, Tom White, Toby Peck and Kevin Brawley); 4:04.1.

the outcome was never in doubt. Several of the top Ross tankers swam only exhibition.

Ross went ahead 7-0 when Steve Frost, Dave Billman, Toby Peck and Ron Miller combined for a victory in the first event, the 200-yard medley relay.

Pat Collins and Eric Bristley placed second and third in the 200-yard freestyle to increase the margin to 11-4.

Ross competitors then won the next four events. Cy Connors took top honors in the 200-yard individual medley, Randy Hottinger won the 50-yard freestyle, Chuck Vandergrift took the diving competition and Steve Willer headed the field in the 100-yard butterfly.

In those four events, Ross also tallied two second places and a third. Kevin Brawley took second in the 200-yard individual medley and Hottinger was runnerup in the butterfly. Pat Aten was third in the freestyle.

Dave Graham's third place was the best finish for the Little Giants in the 100-yard freestyle.

Aten and Bristley placed first and third, respectively, in the 400-yard freestyle. In the 100-yard backstroke, Frost placed second and was followed by Tom Hakes in the third position.

Ross' Darrill Mann won the next-to-last event, the 100-yard breaststroke. Mattson, White, Peck and Brawley combined to give Ross its final victory in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

"This was a good meet for our young fellows," Ross head coach Ron Swierlein said. "Napoleon just started swimming this year. It gave our second and third men a chance to show what they could do. I was pleased with the job they turned in."

Ross Boosters

Fremont Ross boosters will meet at the Sandusky County YMCA Monday at 7 p.m. Basketball coach Alex Clark will introduce his squad and show movies of games played this year. The public, both men and women, are invited.

Ross Swimmers Win Final Event To Overcome Whitmer 51 To 44

Fremont Ross trailed Toledo Whitmer, 8-17, after three events but bounced back to take a 51-44 verdict in a scholastic swimming meet Monday at the Junior High School pool.

The meet wasn't decided until the final event when Steve Willer, Kevin Brawley, Pat

Collins and Pat Aten teamed up to win the 400-yard freestyle relay.

The two teams were tied with 44 points apiece going into the last event. The Ross foursome was timed in 3:45.8. Whitmer was far back with 4:29.9 clocking.



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Ross was in trouble from the start. The Little Giants fell behind 7-0 in the team race when the 200-yard medley relay team was disqualified. A relay man false-started.

If the Little Giants would not have been disqualified they would have won the event. Ross swam the eight lengths of the pool in 1:53.1 compared with Whitmer's 1:54.1.

Ross fell behind by another point in the second event. A Whitmer contestant placed first and the Little Giants' Eric Bristley and Tom White placed second and third, respectively.

Whitmer entered only one swimmer in the next event, the 200-yard individual medley, but he placed first. Ross had a second and third from Cy Connors and Kevin Brawley. Whitmer had its 17-8 lead at the completion of the event.

Hottinger Turns Tide

Randy Hottinger tallied Ross' first win in the 50-yard freestyle. A Whitmer competitor finished second and the Little Giants' Ron Miller was third.

In the diving competition, Ross' Andy Christensen placed second and Chuck Vandergrift was third. The hosts also had a

second (Steve Willer) and third (Toby Peck) in the 100-yard butterfly.

Pat Collins nabbed the Little Giants' second first when he finished in front of the field in the 100-yard freestyle. In the same event, Miller notched his second third place finish.

Ross also scored second and third place points in the next two events — 400-yard freestyle and 100-yard backstroke.

The Little Giants trailed 43-36 entering the next-to-last event.

Connors and Darrell Mann finished first and second to give Ross its maximum eight points and Whitmer got only one for its third.

"We had some real fine times today," Ross head coach Ron Zwielein said. "Connors turned in his best time of the season in the individual medley. Bristley had his best time in the 200 free. Miller gave us an outstanding performance in both of the events he competed in.

"Willer's second place in the butterfly was a little surprising. Peck had been beating him in early matches. The thing about Willer's performance that pleases me is that he was only

two-tenths of a second off the first place time.

"The first place Collins got for us in the 100 freestyle was real important. It gave our fellows a shot in the arm. He beat the best swimmer Whitmer had.

"And, the breaststroke was real important. It tied the meet up for us. In general I thought the times were respectable for this time in the season."

Ross, which has now won its last three meets after losing the opener, entertains Lakewood St. Edward Saturday at 2 p.m.

200-yard medley relay—1. Whitmer (Connolly, Steven, Scherbach, Sack); 1:54.1.

200-yard freestyle—1. Chambers (W); 2. Bristley (R); 3. White (R); 2:04.4.

200-yard individual medley—1. Breycht (W); 2. Connors (R); 3. Brawley (R); 2:23.

50-yard freestyle—1. Randy Hottinger (R); 2. Sack (W); 3. Miller (R); 25.0.

Diving—1. Wilhelm (W); 2. Andy Christensen (R); 3. Chuck Vandergrift (R); 222.10.

100-yard butterfly—1. Steven (W); 2. Steve Willer (R); 3. Toby Peck (R); 1:04.1.

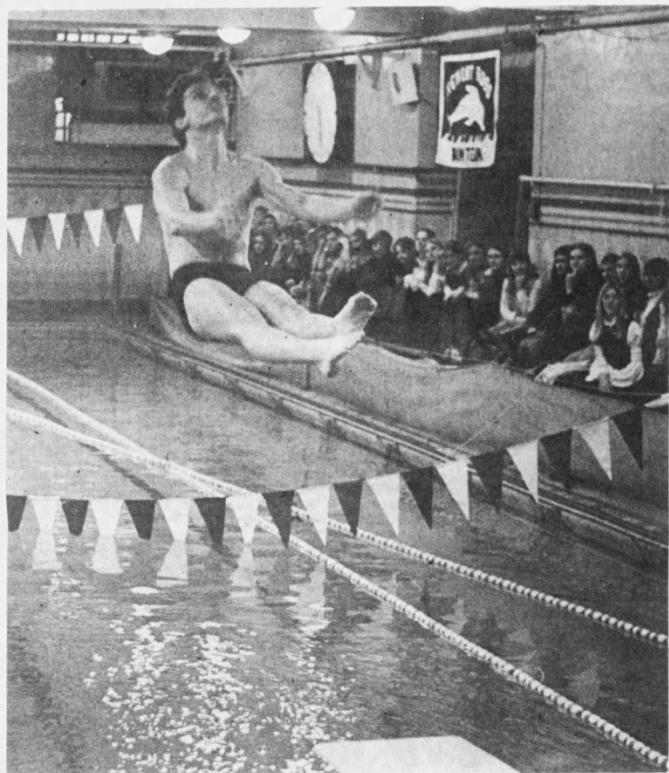
100-yard freestyle—1. Pat Collins (R); 2. Chambers (W); 3. Ron Miller (R); 54.4.

400-yard freestyle relay—1. (W); 2. Bristley (R); 3. White (R); 4:28.8.

100-yard backstroke—1. Connely (W); 2. Steve Frost (R); 3. Tom Hakes (R); 1:06.7.

100-yard breaststroke—1. Cy Connors (R); 2. Darrell Mann (R); 3. Wildman (W); 1:12.3.

400-yard freestyle relay—1. Ross (Steve Willer, Kevin Brawley, Pat Collins and Pat Aten); 3:45.8.



AS ROSS STAR ANDY CHRISTENSEN DID ONE OF HIS SPECIALTIES
News-Messenger Photographs

Host Sandusky Tuesday

Ross Tankers Swamp St. Edward

Ignited by a victory in the first event—200-yard medley relay—Fremont Ross swamped Lakewood St. Edward, 52-43, in scholastic swimming at the Junior High School Saturday.

The win was the fourth straight for the Little Giants, who have lost only the season-opener to Port Clinton. Ross will get a stiff test Tuesday, however, when it

hosts arch-rival Sandusky starting at 6:30 p.m.

Besides the relay team other winners against St. Edward were Pat Aten (200 individual medley and 100 breaststroke), Randy Hottinger (50 freestyle), Andy Christensen (diving) and Pat Collins (100 freestyle).

"The relay win triggered us,"

Ross head coach Ron Zwierlein

said. "I told the kids before the meet started that if we won in the relay it would give us the momentum to win the meet.

"After the relay victory we had a two-three finish (Eric Bristley and Tom White) in the 200 freestyle and then Aten got the first in the individual medley.

"Aten, Hottinger and Christensen had real good days.

Christensen's score isn't a good indication of how well he did. We only used two diving judges.

"Our times have a way to go. We haven't reached our peak yet. To beat Sandusky we will have to swim better times. Sandusky lost a number of fine swimmers last year but they have plenty of depth."

Ross never trailed St. Edward.

St. Joseph Wrestlers Rout Sandusky Perkins

SANDUSKY — Fremont St. Joseph lost only one bout and tied another enroute to a 45-7 victory over Sandusky Perkins Saturday afternoon.

St. Joe winners included Terry Hoffman (100), Umbie Zamora (107), Albert Zamora (114), Bill Ochs (128), Tom Schneider (134), Joe Burns (140), Kev Cullen (147), Dave Frederick (157), Chuck Beier (169), Jim Szakovits (177) and Dave Courtney (heavyweight).

The Crimson Streaks built up a 13-0 lead before Mickey Wolfe and Tim Bearaducci tied at 121. Bearaducci tied the St. Joe senior

with the aid of a point for time advantage.

Hoffman got the unbeaten Streaks started with an 11-1 victory over William Busdicker. The Zamoras then followed with back-to-back pins. Umbie flattened Joe Pulizzi in 1:02. Albert's pin came at the one minute mark.

After the Wolfe-Bearaducci bout, the Crimson Streaks followed with seven straight victories.

Ochs got the ball started with a 2-1 victory over Dave Barton. All the scoring came in the first period. Ochs had a takedown and Barton escaped.

Schneider routed Willy Davlin, 12-5. Davlin had a 4-2 lead after the second period. Schneider started the second period on the bottom but scored a reversal and near fall. He added another near fall in the final two minutes. Davlin scored a penalty point in the last period.

Three sophomores then followed with victories. Burns blanked Steve Jeffery, 8-0. Cullen whitewashed Ron Speer, 9-0.

Frederick pinned Duane Austin at the 2:59 mark.

Beier increased the Crimson Streak bulge to 35-2 with a 7-2 win over David Lang. Beier took his

opponent down in the first period and added a reversal in the second. Beier scored a penalty point and another reversal in the third period. Lang's only points came on a third period reversal. Szakovits followed with a forfeit win.

Tim Waldock scored Perkins only victory when he pinned Dan Rusch at the 1:45 mark of their 187-pound bout. Waldock led 2-0 at the time of the fall.

Courtney completed the scoring with a forfeit victory. St. Joe, which now has a 3-0 dual meet record, entertains Mohawk Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Bailey Scores 30 In Victory

CASTALIA—Dave Bailey, who didn't start, came off the bench to score 30 points and lead Margaretta to a 69-63 victory over Huron Saturday.

The game did not count in the Sandusky Bay Conference even though both teams are members. The league game between the two Erie County schools will be contested in February.

Bailey, who didn't get into the game until the middle of the second quarter, was 10-14 from the field and 10-12 at the charity

In the third quarter, Margaretta got some breathing room when it out-scored Huron 20-12. Bailey scored 14 of Margaretta's total in the stretch. The visiting Tigers had a three-point (21-18) bulge in the last quarter.

Larry Opper (22), Mike Kirby (15) and Lew Wargo (11) paced the Huron scoring column.

Margaretta hit on 23 of 55 floor shots and was 23-33 at the free throw stripe. Huron made 26 of 74 two-point tries. From the foul line

the losers were 11-16. Huron held a 41-34 rebounding advantage. Bailey and Greene pulled down nine caroms apiece for Margaretta.

Both Huron (7-2) and Margaretta return to SBC play next Friday. Margaretta journeys to Fostoria St. Wendelin and Huron plays at Sandusky St. Mary's. Saturday Margaretta plays at Edison. Huron hosts Port Clinton Saturday.

The box score:

	FG	FT	Ttl
Huron	1	0	2
Bollenbacher	9	4	22
Opper	1	3	3
Moore	7	1	15
Kirby	4	3	11
Wargo	2	2	6
Auble	2	0	4
Asher	2	0	4
Totals	26	11	63

	FG	FT	Ttl
Margaretta	2	5	9
Neill	4	4	12
Greene	10	10	30
Bailey	5	2	12
Gill	2	2	6
Baker	0	0	0
Arnold	0	0	0
Longer	0	0	0
Totals	23	23	69

Score By Quarters

	17	13	12	21-63
Huron				
Margaretta	18	13	20	18-69

Bigest lead for the Little Giants was 41-20 after Collins won the 100 free and Kevin Brawley took third.

Second place finishers for the victors included Bristley (200 and 400 freestyle), Chuck Vandergrift (diving), Toby Peck (100 butterfly) and Steve Frost (100 backstroke).

Notching third place points for the Little Giants were Tom White (200 free), Cy Connors (200 individual medley), Ron Miller (50 freestyle) and Brawley.

Members of the winning relay unit were Frost, Derrill Mann, Peck and Miller. Ross' 400 freestyle relay squad placed second by slightly more than one second. St. Edward won the event with a 3:48.1. The Ross quartet finished with a 3:49.5.

Ross won't have a breather after it entertains Sandusky. The Little Giants trek to Findlay Friday. Early in the season Zwierlein rated Sandusky and Findlay as the teams to beat for the Buckeye Conference championship. In a dual meet last week, Findlay bombed Sandusky, 55-40, on the strength of two relay victories.

The summary:

200-yard medley relay — 1. Ross (Steve Frost, Derrill Mann, Toby Peck and Ron Miller); 1:56.2.

200-yard freestyle — 1. John Woodward (SE); 2. Eric Bristley (R); 3. Tom White (R); 2:02.4.

200-yard individual medley — 1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Mike Bradley (SE); 3. Cy Connors (R); 2:14.8.

50-yard freestyle — 1. Randy Hottinger (R); 2. Alan Thompson (SE); 3. Ron Miller (R); 25.1.

Diving — 1. Andy Christensen (R); 2. Chuck Vandergrift (R); 3. Charles Prudence (SE); 1:38.50.

100-yard butterfly — 1. Bob Thompson (SE); 2. Toby Peck (R); 3. Steve Willer (R); 1:04.6.

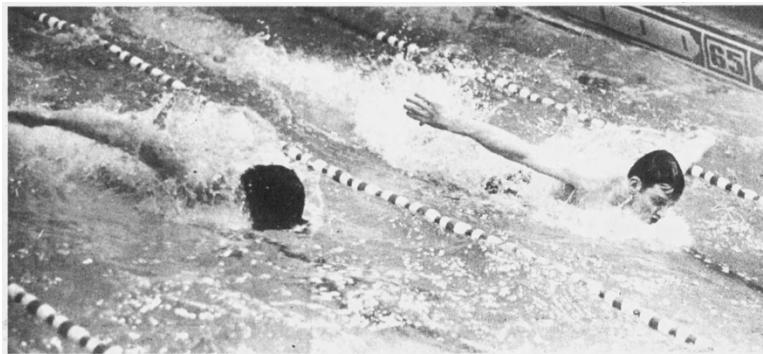
100-yard freestyle — 1. Pat Collins (R); 2. Roger Sweeney (SE); 3. Kevin Brawley (R); .55.5.

400-yard freestyle — 1. John Woodward (SE); 2. Eric Bristley (R); 3. Terry Sweeney (SE); 4:11.8.

100-yard backstroke — 1. Phil Has (SE); 2. Steve Frost (R); 3. Ray Eifel (SE); 1:04.3.

100-yard breaststroke — 1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Jim Herold (SE); 3. Skipp Chabek (SE); 1:08.9.

400-yard freestyle relay — 1. St. Edward (Alan Thompson, Mike Bradley, Roger Sweeney and Bob Thompson); 3:48.1.



ENROUTE TO VICTORY—Pat Aten (right) of Fremont Ross splashes his way to victory in butterfly. Aten scored a double victory for the Little

Giants in Tuesday's dual meet with Sandusky. He also won the 100-yard breaststroke. Ross lost the dual meet, 48-47. (News-Messenger Photo)

In NHL All-Star Game Hull Leads West To 2-1 Victory

BOSTON (AP)—Bobby Hull, the Chicago Black Hawks "Golden Jet," plays to win at all times, whether in regular season National Hockey League games or an exhibition such as the All Star Game.

"When you're chosen and people come to see All-Stars, you like to give them their money's worth," said Hull. The West won after leading the West to a 2-1 victory over the East in the 20th annual classic at Boston Garden. The West, which had tied and lost in two previous meetings with the East since the Star Game was first played in 1966, shocked its supposedly superior rivals with a pair of goals by Chico Maki of the Hawks and Hull in the opening minutes.

Despite such outstanding

Lindsey Teams
Rip St. Mary's

Lindsey grade school basketball teams notched two victo-

stars as Gordie Howe, playing in his 22nd All-Star game, Phil Esposito, Bobby Orr, Frank Mahovlich, Jean Ratelle and other big scorers, the East couldn't catch up.

With Chicago shifted to the West Division this season, the All-Star team was bolstered by nine members of the Black Hawks. The West threw up such

stars as Gordie Howe, playing in his 22nd All-Star game, Phil

Esposito, Bobby Orr, Frank Mahovlich, Jean Ratelle and other big scorers, the East couldn't catch up.

Trailing 2-1, the East had a golden chance to tie the game on a pair of goals in the final 30 minutes. However, the West defense stood up, even though Coach Harry Sinden sent out five of his former Boston Bruins—Esposito, Orr, Ken Hodge, Johnny Buryk and Dallas Smith.

"We were like five strangers out there and here we are teammates," Esposito said in noting that they didn't have a single shot on the second power play.

"It was a good all-around ef-

fort," said West Coach Scotty Bowman, now the general manager of the St. Louis Blues. "It took me 12 Stanley Cup games and three All-Star games to find out what the West is all about for the West. It proves there are a lot of good young players in the league."

"I really didn't know what to do with all that talent. I'm not going to say I just used it," said Hull. "I just used it."

Hull was outstanding, but so were Bobby Clarke, Red Berenson, Stan Mikita, Pit Martin, our defensemen and goalies Tony Esposito and Ernie Wakeman. Everyone did a good job."

Maki, playing in his first All-Star game, put the West in front 36 seconds after the opening face-off. Hull scored his long shore break through goalie Ed Giacalone of the New York Rangers.

Then, with Montreal's Frank Mahovlich serving a penalty, Hull scored his fourth goal in 10 All-Star appearances at 4:38. Hull shot from the left of the gate right. The players did the rest. Hull was outstanding, but so were Bobby Clarke, Red Berenson, Stan Mikita, Pit Martin, our defensemen and goalies Tony Esposito and Ernie Wakeman. Everyone did a good job."

"Gordie Howe told me that I had a good game, but I don't care what all that talent," said Sinden, who quit hockey for private business after leading the Bruins to the Stanley Cup last May.

"Everyone, give the West credit," Sinden said. "They really played well. They checked and we couldn't get

No Resignations At SBC Meeting

Oak Harbor, Gibsonburg, Lakota and Fostoria St. Wendelin have resigned from the Sandusky Bay Conference but it appears to be only a matter of time.

The four schools were expected to resign at yesterday's

News-Messenger SPORTS

Ross Home Winning Spell Snapped By Blue Streaks

Fremont Ross won both relay events and placed one-two in the 100-yard freestyle, but still dropped a narrow 48-47 verdict to Sandusky Tuesday.

The loss was the first at home

in three years for the Little

Giants, who are now

4-2 for the season, went into a 7-0

lead with a narrow victory in the

200-yard medley relay. Steve

Frost, Dave Billman, Toby Peck

and Kevin Brawley checked in with

a 1:54.6. Sandusky's quartet was

time in 1:54.9.

Sandusky tied the team score

with a one-two finish in the next

the 200-yard freestyle.

In the 200-yard individual

medley, Cy Connor and

Kevin Brawley finished second

and third for the hosts.

Ross also took a second and third in the 50-yard freestyle, but still dropped a narrow 48-47 verdict to Sandusky Tuesday.

Andy Christensen and Chuck Vandergrift took diving honors. Christensen scored a 184.65. Vandergrift tallied 171.49 for his

six dives.

Ross had a 30-22 lead in the

team race after Pat Aten

finished first in the butterfly and Toby Peck finished third. Aten's

swimming time was 58.5

Sandusky cut into the Ross

lead with a first and third in the

100-yard freestyle. Pat Collins

finished second for the Little

Giants.

The Blue Streaks forged into

the lead with a first and second

in the 400-yard freestyle. Eric

Bristley finished third for Ross

and fourth.

The Sandusky lead zoomed to 44-35 with another one-two finish in the 100-yard backstroke. Steve Frost took third place laurels for Ross.

Aten's first place of the

evening came in the 100-yard

breaststroke. But Sandusky

swimmers finished in second and

third place. Those points

advanced Sandusky into a 48-40

lead with only one event

remaining.

Ross made the score close

with its 400-yard freestyle

victory. Hottinger, Willer,

Brawley and Collins were

clocked in 3:48.1.

The Little Giants, who had won four straight meets, journey to Findlay Saturday. The Trojans have won five straight meets and are considered the team to beat this season for Buckeye Conference laurels. Findlay bested Sandusky, 55-40, in a dual meet last week.

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The results:

200-yard medley relay—1. Ross (Steve Frost, Pat Collins, Toby Peck and Steve

Witter); 1. 154.65. 2. Sandusky (Andy Christensen, Chuck Vandergrift and Steve

Witter); 2. 184.65. 3. Findlay (Toby Peck and Steve

Witter); 3. 171.49. 4. Fremont (Andy Christensen, Chuck Vandergrift and Steve

Witter); 4. 171.23. 5. 154.9.

Ed Fought of Fremont led all swimmers with a sparkling 29.7.

He scored 100 from the prone position, 99 from the kneeling

and 98 standing. Jim Greene of Sandusky checked in with a

29.6.

Fremont's loss puts the league standings in a three-way tie.

The first place at the halfway mark, Fremont, Sandusky and Tiffin each have one loss.

The scores:

Sandusky P K S Tot

Jim Green 100 99 97 296

Robert Strong 100 99 93 292

Dale Leech 100 97 93 290

Eric Bristley 100 97 91 288

Wade Walton 99 95 89 283

Total 1449

Little Giant Tankers Lose Third

FINDLAY—Fremont Ross swimmers have found out why their head coach, Ron Zwierlein, rates Findlay as the team to beat for Buckeye Conference honors this season.

The talent-laden Trojans routed the Little Giants, 63-32, in a dual meet at the Findlay College pool Friday afternoon.

It was the second straight defeat for Ross after four straight victories. Next outing for the Little Giants (4-3) is next Saturday against the Trojans at the Fremont Junior High School pool.

Ross contestants took only two first places against the powerful

Trojans, who increased their season record to 6-0. Pat Aten won the 200-yard individual medley with a 2:13.6 and Toby Peck's 1:04 took top honors in the 100-yard butterfly.

Ross never led in the meet. Findlay got the lead (7-0) with a victory in the opening relay, the 200-yard medley. The Trojan foursome was timed in 1:49.6 compared to Ross' 1:58.2.

The Trojan lead went to eight points with a first place in the 200-yard freestyle. Pat Collins finished second and Tom White was third for the Little Giants.

Aten's victory and Kevin Brawley's third place finish in the individual medley cut the

Findlay gap to five points, 15-10.

But, a first and third place in the 50-yard freestyle hiked the lead to 21-13. Randy Hottinger placed second for the Little Giants.

Ross' Andy Christensen and Chuck Vandergrift placed second and third in the diving competition. After five events, Findlay held a 26-17 bulge.

Peck's first place in the butterfly cut into that margin. Findlay swimmers took second and third in the event.

The lead went back to nine points when Ross didn't get a first in the 100-yard freestyle. Collins

and Hottinger took second and third place points.

Another first place in the 400-yard freestyle stretched the Trojan margin to 10 points, 40-30. Eric Bristley took second and White was third.

Findlay iced the victory with eight points, in the 100-yard backstroke. Trojan swimmers captured first and second places. Frost was third.

In the 100-yard breaststroke, Aten was beaten for the first time this season. Findlay took first and second place points in the event.

A Findlay victory in the 400-yard freestyle relay completed the meet.

Findlay Swamps Ross Swimmers

Findlay took a first place in every event but two in splashing to a 60-35 swimming victory over Ross at the Junior High School pool Saturday afternoon.

Pat Aten captured one of the first places for the Little Giants. The senior co-captain gained a 10-second win in the 200-yard individual medley.

The 400-yard freestyle relay unit also won its event with a 3:59.1 clocking. Members of the Little Giant foursome were Tom White, Steve Willer, Randy Miller and Kevin Brawley.

Findlay stormed to a 15-1 lead with a victory in the 200-yard medley relay and first and second places in the 200-yard freestyle.

Bob Moser, Lester Davis, Jim Kennedy and Steve Tille turned in a 1:50 in the 200-yard medley relay. In the freestyle, Michael Suchy placed first and Jerry Lishawa was second.

Suchy also finished first in the 400-yard freestyle. Lishawa placed first in the 100-yard freestyle.

Eric Bristley took third for Ross in the freestyle.

Aten's first place and a third by Cy Connors cut the Findlay advantage to 18-7 after the individual medley.

The Trojans got a one-two finish from Bob Mathias and Tille in the 50-yard freestyle to go in front, 26-8. Randy Hottinger of Ross took third place.

Kennedy totaled a whopping 218.80 points in the diving competition. Second place went to Ross' Andy Christensen (188.35) and Findlay's Dirk Ewing (136.55) was third.

Bob Mathias was first in the 100-yard butterfly for the Trojans. Ross' Toby Peck and Steve Willer placed second and third, respectively.

Ross' Pat Collins was sandwiched between Lishawa and Rick Garrison in the 100-yard

freestyle. Lishawa held a 2.9 second edge on Collins.

Bristley and White finished second and third, respectively, for Ross in the 400-yard freestyle behind Suchy. Suchy's first place clinched the meet for Findlay with three events remaining. It gave the Trojans a 48-22 lead.

Steve Frost of Ross finished second in the 100-yard backstroke. First place went to Moser. Tom Thomas took the third place points for Findlay.

Gary Wittenmeyer provided Findlay with its final first place. He held a 1.2 second advantage over Aten in the 100-yard breaststroke. Lester Davis of Findlay placed third in the event.

The loss dropped Ross' record to 4-4. The Little Giants have now lost three straight meets after putting together four consecutive victories. Next outing for the Little Giants is Wednesday when Mansfield Senior invades the Junior High School pool.

Findlay is now 8-0 on the season.

The summary:

200-yard medley relay — 1. Findlay (Moser, Davis, Kennedy, Tille), 1:50.0.

200-yard freestyle — 1. Suchy (F); 2. Lishawa (F); 3. Eric Bristley (R); 1:59.2.

200-yard individual medley—1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Buffington (F); 3. Cy Connors (R); 2:13.4.

50-yard freestyle—1. Mathias (F); 2. Tille (F); 3. Randy Hottinger (R); :23.7.

Diving — 1. Kennedy (F); 2. Andy Christensen (R); 3. Ewing (F); 218.80.

100-yard butterfly—1. Mathias (F); 2. Toby Peck (R); 3. Steve Willer (R) 1:00.8.

100-yard freestyle — 1. Lishawa (F); 2. Pat Collins (R); 3. Garrison (F); :53.8.

400-yard freestyle — 1. Suchy (F); 2. Eric Bristley (R); 3. Tom White (R); 4:25.3.

100-yard backstroke—1. Moser (F); 2. Steve Frost (R); 3. T. Thomas (F); 1:05.5.

100-yard breaststroke — 1. Wittenmeyer (F); 2. Pat Aten (R); 3. Davis (F); 1:08.3.

400-yard freestyle — 1. Ross (Tom White, Steve Willer, Randy Miller, Kevin Brawley); 3:59.1.

HORSE RACING

Ross Swimmers Rout Mansfield

Ross snapped a three - meet losing skein with a lopsided 67-24 swimming victory over Mansfield Senior at the Junior High School pool Wednesday.

Coach Ron Zwierlein's team, which now has a 5-4 record, took first places in every event but the 50-yard freestyle, 100-yard freestyle and 100-yard breaststroke. In the breaststroke, the Little Giants swimmers only competed in the exhibition category.

The Little Giants had a pair of double victors—Pat Aten and Eric Bristley.

Aten took top spots in the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard butterfly. He completely outdistanced the field in the individual medley. Aten was clocked in 2:14.7. Cy Connors, Aten's teammate, finished second with a 2:28.7. In the butterfly, Aten was nearly six seconds ahead of Toby Peck, the second place finisher.

Bristley easily won the 200 and 400-yard freestyle events. He had a 3.8 second advantage over Tom White in the 200. His winning margin in the 400 was 16.6 seconds.

Also gathering first place points for the Little Giants were the two relay teams, Andy Christensen (diving) and Steve Frost (backstroke).

Members of the 200-yard medley relay were Steve Frost, Dave Billman, Steve Willer and Randy Hottinger. They were clocked in 1:53.2. Mansfield checked in with a 1:56.2.

Dave Graham, Dan Potter, Bill Shoup and Frank Mattson combined for the 400-yard freestyle victory. Mansfield's team was disqualified in the event after posting a 4:08.6. Fremont had a 4:17.1 time.

Tom White finished second in two events for the Little Giants. He was behind Eristley in both the 200 and 400 freestyle.

Other second place finishers were Cy Connors (200 individual medley), Ron Miller (50 freestyle), Chuck Vandergift (diving), Pat Collins (100 freestyle) and Peck.

Hottinger placed third in the 100 freestyle. Hakes took a third in the 100 backstroke.

Next outing for the Little Giants is the Buckeye Conference Meet. It will be held at Mansfield Saturday, February 13.

The summary:

200-yard medley relay — 1. Ross (Steve Frost, Dave Billman, Steve Willer and Randy Hottinger); 1:53

200-yard freestyle — 1. Eric Bristley (R); 2. Tom White (R); 3. Greg Bookwalter (M); 2:08

200-yard individual medley — 1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Cy Connors (R); 3. Jim Erdenberger (M) 2:14.7

50-yard freestyle — 1. Toby Shawber (M); 2. Ron Miller (R); 3. Tom Finnerty (M); :25.1

Diving — 1. Andy Christensen (R); 2. Chuck Vandergift (R); 3. Steiner (M) 212.10

100-yard freestyle — 1. Jeff Boals (M); 2. Pat Collins (R); 3. Randy Hottinger (R); :55.3

400-yard freestyle — 1. Eric Bristley (R); 2. Tom White (R); 3. Greg Bookwalter (M); 4:30.2

100-yard backstroke — 1. Steve Frost (R); 2. Tim Erdenberger (M); 3. Tom Hakes (R); 1:06.4

100-yard breaststroke — 1. Ted Williams (M); 1:13.9 (Ross swimmers swam exhibition).

400-yard freestyle relay — 1. Ross (Dave Graham, Dan Potter, Bill Shoup and Frank Mattson), 4:17.1

Ross Swimmers

Bow To Sandusky

SANDUSKY—Fremont Ross had one more first place than Sandusky but dropped a 50-45 swimming verdict to the Blue Streaks Tuesday.

Pat Aten scored a double victory for Ross, winning in the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard breaststroke. Aten's victory in the individual medley was by more than eight seconds. He had a one second advantage in the breaststroke.

Other individual winners for the Little Giants were Andy Christensen (diving), Pat Collins (100-yard freestyle) and Eric Bristley (400-yard freestyle).

The 400-yard freestyle relay team composed of Toby Peck, Steve Willer, Randy Hottinger and Pat Collins also captured a first place. They were clocked in 3:48.

Earning second places for Ross were Bristley (200-yard freestyle), Hottinger (50-yard freestyle) and Willer (100-yard butterfly).

Cy Connors (200-yard individual medley), Dave Vandergrift (diving), Steve Frost (100-yard backstroke) and Dave Billman (100-yard breaststroke) earned third place points.

The meet was the final one of the season for the Little Giants, who finished with a 5-5 log. Ross participates in the District swimming competition at Toledo St. Francis High School Friday and Saturday. Diving competition will be held Friday at 2 p.m. Swimming action is slated for Saturday starting at 1:30 p.m.

The summary

200-yard medley relay—1. Sandusky (Zeller, Marioti, Hutchins and Harple), 1:51.8.

200-yard freestyle—1. Leake (S); 2. Eric Bristley (R); 3. Pheiffer (S); 2:01.2.

200-yard individual medley—1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Wagner (S); 3. Cy Connors (R); 2:15.2.

50-yard freestyle—1. Newton (S); 2. Randy Hottinger (R); 3. Lombardy (S); :25.0.

Diving—1. Andy Christensen (R); 2. Newton (S); 3. Dave Vandergrift (R); 231.80.

100-yard butterfly—1. Hutchins (S); 2.

Steve Willer (R); 3. Camella (S); 1:02.2.
100-yard freestyle—1. Pat Collins (R); 2. Harple (S); 3. Semans (S); :54.7.

400-yard freestyle—1. Eric Bristley (R); 2. Wagner (S); 3. Pheiffer (S); 4:24.7.

100-yard backstroke—1. Zeller (S); 2. Leake (S); 3. Steve Frost (R); 1:04.4.

100-yard breaststroke—1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Mariotti (S); 3. Dave Billman (R); 1:10.4.

100-yard breaststroke—1. Pat Aten (R); 2. Mariotti (S); 3. Dave Billman (R); 1:10.4.

400-yard freestyle relay—1. Ross (Toby Peck, Steve Willer, Randy Hottinger and Pat Collins), 3:48.



BASKETBALL trophy winners at last night's presentations are shown from left—Dave Kridler, Denny Shearon and John Lewis.



SWIMMING awards went to Andy Christensen (left), Pat Aten and Randy Hottinger.



PHIL REITER (left), Eric Wolfe and Chuck Wickert were recipients of wrestling awards.

Ross Cites Athletes Lewis, Wickert, Aten Declared Most Valuable

By DON FOGLESON
N-M Staff Writer

Nearly 150 persons gathered last night to attend the annual Winter Sports Award Night held at the Ross High cafeteria to honor Fremont Ross High School athletes who participated in basketball, swimming or wrestling the past season. Cheerleaders were also honored.

Senior John Lewis took home the most hardware in the basketball awards, as presented by Head Coach Alex Clark. Lewis was presented with the Most Valuable Player Award, which was chosen by his fellow teammates, and the Free Throw Award, for the best percentage at the foul line.

Honorary Captain Award went to Senior Dave Kridler and the final award for the leading rebounder and field goal percentage shooter was given to Denny Shearon. The three were also letter winners.

Other letter winners in basketball were senior Jeff Parkinson, juniors Chuck Celek, Mike Feasel, Tom Liggins, and Sophomores Bob Brudzinski and Steve Smith.

Pat Aten was presented with the Most Valuable Player Award on the swimming team and was also honored with the All Events Award. Randy Hottinger took home the second place All Events Award, and the Most Improved Swimmer Award went to Dan Potter.

Presented an award for being the easiest swimmer to coach was Andy Christensen, and the first annual Goldbrick Award was given to the versatile Cyrus Connors. Christensen is a junior while the rest of the award winners are seniors and all received letters.

Swimmers who also took home letters were seniors Pat Collins, William Shoup and Charles Vandergrift, and juniors Eric Bristley, Toby Peck and Steve Willer. Coach Ron Zwielein made the presentations.

Head wrestling coach Mal Mackey awarded 16 letters to his wrestlers, six of whom were juniors and five of whom were sophomores.

Most Valuable Player on the wrestling squad was senior Chuck Wickert and the award for the most improved wrestler went to junior Phil Reiter. Outstanding sophomore was Eric Wolfe.

Seniors who received letters were Jim Eberly, Chuck Miller, Howard Sterwalt, Wickert, and Phil Wojdyla.

Others who were honored with letters were juniors Dave Alejandro, Jim Billow, Terry Fiber, Reiter, Dale Shoemaker, David Skergan, sophomores Paul Branco, Ed Farson, Ron Kanan, Dave Mierke and Wolfe.

NCAA Checks Porter On Early ABA Signing

VILLANOVA, Pa. (AP) — The National Collegiate Athletic Association says it is investigating reports that Villanova University's basketball star Howard Porter jumped the eligibility gun.

Warren Brown, executive director of the NCAA's rules enforcement program, said Tuesday his group is following the latest allegations that Porter has been under professional contract since late last year.

If the NCAA confirms reports that Porter signed with the Pittsburgh Condors of the American Basketball Association, the verdict could strike Villanova's recent successful season from official memory.

Fans would have to forget that the Wildcats, led by the 6-foot-8 Porter, came close to denying UCLA its fifth straight NCAA title.

Villanova lost to the Bruins 68-62 in the NCAA final last Saturday.

On Monday the Condors announced they had acquired a contract on Porter from the ABA, but they would not say

oath that he had not entered into any agreement with a professional organization or agent.

If, as reported, Porter committed himself on Dec. 16, 1970, and continued competing as a collegian, the deed would invalidate his and Villanova's 1970-71 season.

Porter said he hasn't signed anything with anybody.

