

1951 Season review...

SPORTS

By Al Coxon

THIS IS THE REBUILDING YEAR FOR GEORGE

Gruse's Ross high school swimming team.

Shorn by graduation of most of the performers who carried the Giants to the runner-up spot last March in the state finals, Coach Gruse does not expect the 1951 team to match past achievements.

"Things look a little better than they did a couple of weeks ago," said the veteran mentor yesterday. "We should be tough about 1952 or 1953, but we lost too many to be as tough as the last two years."

Ross can stand a "down" year as far as the law of averages is concerned, for the Fremont school has long been in the high upper bracket in Ohio swimming circles. Last year's club was runner-up to Cincinnati Walnut Hills and the year previous, Canton McKinley's great team barely edged the Giants by a single point.

Ross has been district champ for the last four years, and since the winter of 1934-35, when swimming was organized here, the school has racked up 11 district titles and six state championships. Four times Ross squads have finished second in the state.

THOSE MEMORIES will be pleasant ones to mull over if George's fears come true. With only two lettermen returning, it looks tough on paper too. But the future, that's a different story. There's not a senior and only six juniors on the squad of 23.

this winter but was thwarted because of the trouble in Korea. Generally there are several winter camps in Florida and California and Rick, who played for the American Legion and Herbrand, made arrangements to attend a St. Louis' Browns school at Deland, Florida. However, it was canceled. Then Marlin (Dod) White, Herbrand manager who feels Rick has much promise, contacted Sid Hudson and learned that the Washington hurler, planned to proceed with his camp at Kissimmee, Fla. So Rick signed up for that one.

However, the drafting of so many candidates prompted Hudson to join others in folding up plans for a camp this winter, but Rick was already enroute when the decision was made. It was an especially tough blow, because Ted Williams was to have been one of the instructors. When Rick's parents learned of the second cancellation they told him to see a bit of Florida before coming home.

Basketball Scores

Gruse Lists Lineup For Swimmers' Inaugural With Sandusky Tomorrow

Ross high's swimmers open their season Tuesday night at 7:30 against Sandusky, and the Blue Streaks are rated an even chance of getting revenge for past lickings.

The Giants have only two lettermen returning from last year's classy squad, and their outlook is the dimmest in several seasons. Coach George Gruse's lads have been runners-up in the state meet for the last two years.

The match will be staged in the Ross pool. Admission is 50 cents for adults, 30 cents for students. The Ross lineup, as announced by Coach Gruse:

50-yard free-style — George

Hirschberger and Tom Kirsch. 100-yard breast-stroke — Bud Cross and Neal Bork.

200-yard free-style—Louie Lorenzen and Bob Lucas.

100-yard back-stroke — Lonny Price and Gary Schwartz.

100-yard free-style—Jack Rose and Dick Burkett.

100-yard individual medley—Neal Bork and Tom Wolf.

Fancy diving—Larry Hunt and Dick DeMars.

150-yard medley relay—Lonny Price, back stroke; Bud Cross, breast stroke; Dick Burkett, free-style.

200-yard free-style relay—Jack Rose, Louie Lorenzen, Bob Lucas, George Hirschberger.

Ross Swimmers Open Tonight

Ross high school's swimmers open their season tonight against Sandusky in the Ross pool.

The match starts at 7:30. Admission is 50 cents for adults and 30 cents for students.

Coach Gruse, his squad depleted by graduation, rates the match a tossup. Last season, the Giants were runners-up in the state meet in Columbus.

Green Squad Is Promising

This is Ross high's rebuilding year in swimming, says Coach George Gruse. When he gets through, it should be a whale of a project.

That's the consensus of those who watched the Giants steam-roller the Sandusky natators 46-27 in the Ross pool last night. It was the Ross opener and 200 happy and loudly-cheerful fans saw some brilliant performances.

Sandusky's Ed Russell, breast-stroker deluxe, was the only two-time winner, but the speed of George Hirschberger, Lonny Price, Lou Lorenzen and a few others provided the balance needed.

Hirschberger was particularly outstanding. He covered the 50-yard free-style race in 25.9 seconds and was a good three yards in front of Sandusky's Robert Gast at the finish line. Then in the last event of the evening, Hirschberger, anchor man on the free-style relay team, came in about four strokes ahead of Sandusky's Tom Behnke to win the 500-yard relay.

Rose Beats Burkett
Jack Rose, a sophomore, won the 100-yard free-style race over Dick Burkett to provide a slight surprise. Burkett is one of the two lettermen back from last year's squad that was runner-up to Cincinnati Walnut Hills for the state championship.

Price, brother of the illustrious Larry who is destined for great things at Wooster College after a brilliant career at Ross, won his race easily in the back-stroke, the same event in which his brother competes. Lorenzen, due to be a Ross football line-backer one of these days, romped home a winner by five yards in his 200-yard free-style event. In diving, tiny Larry Hunt, a sophomore, was off to an early lead, but lost when he faltered in his last two dives. First place went to red-haired Jack Erickson of the Blue Streaks. Hunt was second and Dick DeMars of Ross was third.

Free-Style Strength
Ross, continuing to show strength in the free-style department, won the medley relay when Burkett outdistanced Behnke down the stretch. The 200-yard free-style relay found the third men touching at the same time, but Hirschberger splashed in ahead.

In a special event not counted in the regular scoring, Ross won a medley relay. Competing for the Giants were Gary Schwartz, Bill Faunce and Tom Kirsch.

Summary (five points for first, three for second, one for third): 50-Yd. free-style—Won by Hirschberger (R); Kirsch, Ross, 2nd; McDowell (S), 3rd. Time, 57.9 seconds.

100-Yd. breast stroke—Won by Russell (S); Burkett (R), 2nd; Cross (R), 3rd. Time, 1:11.5.

200-Yd. free-style—Won by Lorenzen (R); Cross (S), 2nd; Lucas (R), 3rd. Time, 2:21.8.

100-Yd. back stroke—Won by Price (R); McGreevey (S), 2nd; Schaefer (R), 3rd. Time, 59.4.

100-Yd. free-style—Won by Rose (R); Burkett (R), 2nd; Zahniser (S), 3rd. Time, 57.9 seconds.

150-Yd. individual medley—Won by McDowell (S); Burkett (R), 2nd; Kuland (S), 3rd. Time, 1:51.8.

Diving—Won by Jack Erickson (S); Hunt (R), 2nd; DeMars (R), 3rd. 82.2 points.

150-Yd. medley relay—Won by Ross (Price, Cross, Burkett). Time, 1:32.6.

200-Yd. free-style relay—Won by Ross (Rose, Lorenzen, Lucas, Hirschberger). Time, 1:46.5.



PHOTO BY ROBERT BROWN

COACH GEORGE GRUSE

Bowling

Weller-Wonderly's team in the Major League caught fire last night to give the Paramount alley's pins a thorough workout.

Three members of the team scored over the 600 mark in three games, O fourth, Paul Reardon, was only one pin short at 599. Casey Dorobek brought up the rear with 555.

Almont (Al) Burton rolled 643 on single games of 212, 223 and 208. Bud Nause cracked a 617 on games of 182, 222 and 213, and Mike Chuck Baskey fashioned a 608, on 177, 225 and 206.

3,022 Actual Score

The team's total pins, counting its handicap, was 3,169. The actual count was 3,022, its handicap being 147.

Dick Tallman of S. E. Hyman, which had the misfortune of being matched with Weller-Wonderly, bowled the highest single game in the city last night, 258.

Phyllis Bennison of the A. C. Johnson team in the Moose Women's League had a 544 series, including two Honor Roll single games.

HONOR ROLL

Men, 600 Series

Al Burton, Weller-Wonderly	643
Bud Nause, Weller-Wonderly	617
Ralph Carnicom, State Wine	617
Storer	615
Chuck Baskey, Weller-Wonderly	608
Dick Tallman, S. E. Hyman Co.	607
<hr/>	
Men, 225 Single Game	
Tallman, S. E. Hyman	258
Carnicom, State Wine	255
R. Hart, Pet's Marathon	245
Joe Batal, Old Dutch Beer	230
Paul Reardon, Weller's	226
Chuck Baskey, Weller-Wonderly	225
<hr/>	
Women, 500 Series	
Phyllis Bennison, A. C. Johnson	544
Marian House, Home Sand	512
<hr/>	
Women, 185 Single Game	
Bennison, A. C. Johnson (2)	192, 186
Lucille Foley, Cox & Son	190
Ruby Bork, Roser-Stahl	186
<hr/>	
MAJOR LEAGUE	
(Paramount Alleys)	
Weller-Wonderly	1012 1001 1100—3169
S. E. Hyman	998 975 1000—2882
High: Burton	212 223 208—643
State Wine	914 983 988—2882
Edith's Rest.	980 912 1001—2893
High: Carnicom	138 171 256—615
Fro. Foundry	923 922 938—2783
Old Dutch	1013 1023 925—2967
High: J. Doh'n't	202 181 202—585
Leather's Mkt.	1050 960 972—2982
Pete's Mara.	1038 1016 1040—3092
High: R. Hart	172 181 245—598
<hr/>	
MOOSE WOMEN'S LEAGUE	
(Paramount Alleys)	
Charles Rest.	643 572 610—1825



Swimmers At Toledo YMCA Tonight; Giants Meet Wooster 2:30 Saturday

Ross high's swimmers return to action tonight at Toledo, meeting the YMCA team.

The Giants, who have a victory over Sandusky and an exhibition with Bowling Green freshmen under their belt, met the YMCA aggregation twice last year. Ross won the meet here and lost at Toledo. A return match will be held here Feb. 8.

Coach George Gruse does not contemplate any change in the

Ross lineup. So far, his free-stylers have been impressive. Such lads as Dick Burkett, Jack Rose, George Hirschberger, Louie Lorenzen and Bob Lucas hold the key to Ross high's success this season.

Lonny Price, backstroker, and Larry Hunt, diver, have also flashed promising form.

The natators make their next home appearance on Saturday afternoon, meeting Wooster at 2:30 p. m.

Swimmers Trounce Wooster High, 48-27

Bowling

Advance Lumber prevented the third place Port Clinton Howard Zink team from making any headway in its quest for the championship of the North Central Ohio Traveling league Sunday.

The Lumbermen and Zinks divided six games in their March of Dimes benefit. The Zinks won two of three at Maple Lanes, but Advance Lumber reversed the result at Port Clinton.

Dick Selgo, the loop's top bowler, performed only at Port Clinton. He rolled games of 192, 192 and 221 for a 605 series. Bud Nause of Advance Lumber had the highest series in the two matches, 633.

Havens Marine dropped four of six games to Wagner's Quarries of Sandusky. Vern Tilton's 597 was the best three-game series for the Fremonters. A. Kaufman hit 632 for Warner's.

The Fremont Pennzoils drew a blank against Smokey's Inn of Fostoria, losing all three games. The Fostorians hit 3047 in their three contests. Johnny Jones had a 667 for the Pennzoils on games of 200, 232 and 235. Bucholtz of the Fostorians was high for the match with 669.

In the Industrial league Saturday at the Paramount, Johnny Jones, Andy Toth and Dan Shanahan rolled Honor Roll scores. Jones, of the Sand Hogs, soared to 652 for his three games, one of which was a 258. Toth, of Miller-Jones, had one 254 game, while Shanahan, a member of the Board Room quintet, scored a 226.

—:-

HONOR ROLL Men, 600 Series

Johnny Jones, Sand Hogs	652
Men, 225 Single Game	
Jones, Sand Hogs	258

Andy Toth, Miller-Jones

Ross high had no trouble chalking up its second swimming victory of the season Saturday, trouncing Wooster 48-27.

Ross captured eight of the nine events, losing only the 100-yard free style when Bob Gwinn of Wooster came in ahead of Dick Burkett and Louie Lorenzen.

Dick DeMars registered a surprise in the diving when he defeated his teammate, Larry Hunt, by nine-tenths of a point. DeMars scored 42 points, Hunt 41.1.

George Hirschberger won the 50-yard free style, Neal Bork romped home in the 100-yard breast-stroke, Jack Rose captured the 200-yard free-style, Lonny Price came through in the back-stroke and Tom Wolf grabbed the 150-yard individual medley.

Coach George Gruse did not throw his No. 1 relay teams against Wooster. Gary Schwartz, Bill Faunce and Tom Kirsch won the 150-yard medley relay, while the 200-yard free-style relay was taken by Bill Boggs, Glen Waller, Bill Rauch and Ned Frantz.

The Giants' next meet will be held at 3:45 p. m. Friday against Western Reserve Academy.

50-Yd. free-style—Won by Hirschberger (R); Steen (W) 2nd; Winkle (R) 3rd. Time: 26.1.

100-Yd. breast-stroke—Won by Bork (R); Fritz (W) 2nd; Faunce (R) 3rd. Time: 1:15.8.

200-Yd. free-style—Won by Rose (R); Lucas (R) 2nd; Huffman (W) 3rd. Time: 2:20.1.

100-Yd. back-stroke—Won by Price (R); Schwartz (R) 2nd; Huffman (W) 3rd. Time: 1:09.1.

100-Yd. free-style—Won by Gwinn (W); Burkett (R) 2nd; Lorenzen (R) 3rd. Time: 59.6.

150-Yd. individual medley—Won by Wolf (R); Sherer (R) 2nd; Paganiana (W) 3rd. Time: 2:09.2.

Diving—Won by DeMars (R); Hunt (R) 2nd; Carmichael (W) 3rd. 42 points.

150-Yd. medley relay—Won by Ross (Schwartz, Faunce, Kirsch). Time: 1:36.

200-Yd. free-style relay—Won by Ross (Boggs, Waller, Rauch, Frantz). Time: 2:11.

Giants Get 5 Firsts But Lose, 38 To 37

Sandusky high's swimmers avenged an earlier lop-sided defeat by handing Ross a 38-37 setback in the Blue Streaks' pool Tuesday afternoon.

The Sanduskians, led by Ed Russell who set a pool record in the individual medley swim, took the lead in the sixth event to get their first victory over Ross since 1946.

The Streaks sewed up the match by getting first and second in the diving. Ross came back to sweep the relays but the local lads were still one point short.

George Hirschberger, free-styler; Lonny Price, backstroker, and Jack Rose, free-styler, nailed victories for Ross. All were easy winners. In fact, the Giants grabbed first place in five of the nine events but lacked strength down in the ranks.

Russell swam the 75-yard individual medley in 1:22.7, bettering the previous record of 1:23.7 which he himself set this year.

Prior to the match, the rival coaches, George Gruse of Ross and Walter Caldwell of Sandusky, were notified that the annual Bowling Green relays, called off last Saturday by a blizzard and reset for this Saturday, has been canceled.

40-Yd. free-style—Won by Hirschberger (R); Gast (S), second; Behnke (S), 3rd. Time: 19.9.

100-Yd. breast stroke—Won by Russell (S); Bork (R), 2nd; Faunce (S), 3rd. Time: 1:08.5.

200-Yd. free-style—Won by Dewey (S); Scott (S), 2nd; Lucas (R), 3rd.

100-Yd. back stroke—Won by Price (R); McGreevey (S), 2nd; Ramsey (S), 3rd. Time: 1:07.3.

100-Yd. free-style—Won by Rose (R); Burkett (R), 2nd; Fisher (S), 3rd. Time: 0:57.2.

75-Yd. individual medley—Won by Russell (S); Zahnheiser (S), 2nd; Sherer (R), 3rd. Time: 1:22.7.

Diving—Won by Erickson (S); Zuck (S), 2nd; Hunt (R), 3rd.

150-Yd. medley relay—Won by Ross (Price, Bork, Lorenzen). Time: 1:50.

200-Yd. free-style relay—Won by Ross (Burkett, Rose, Lucas, Hirschberger).

Swimmers

Relays Bring 42-33 Victory

Ross high's swimmers pinned the first defeat of the season on the crack Toledo YMCA team here last night, 42-33.

A thrilling victory in the 150-yard medley relay and a lopsided win in the free style relay pulled the Giants from behind in the last two events.

It was a nip-and-truck match throughout. The YMCA came here with six straight dual victories under its belt but a reshuffling of the lineup by Coach George Gruse upset the visitors' applecart.

Gruse entered Dick Burkett in the 50-yard free style along with George Hirschberger and Ross swept first and second place over Hal Lineback, versatile Toledo swimmer. Hirschberger came in ahead of Burkett in 26.2 seconds.

Lineback Beats Price

When Lineback was also entered in his specialty, the back stroke, it weakened the YMCA chances in the medley relay, for a boy cannot be entered in more than one event. Lineback, an excellent back stroker, defeated highly-regarded Lonny Price of Ross. But he could not compete against Price in the backstroke division of the medley relay.

Ross won only two firsts in the individual events. Hirschberger in the 50-yard free style and red-haired Jack Rose in the 100-yard free style. However, Burkett picked up six valuable points by capturing second in two events.

In the medley relay, Price got Ross off to a good lead and Louis Lorenzen, the anchor man, touched slightly ahead of his opponent for five points. That put Ross ahead by only two points, 35-33, meaning that the YMCA could win by taking the seven-point free style relay. As far as Coach Gruse was concerned, however, the match was over, the mentor being confident his free stylers could win in a breeze.

And that's exactly what they did. Rose, Bob Lucas, Lorenzen and Hirschberger really going to town. Hirschberger was nearly a pool length ahead when he touched home.

Summary:

50-Yd. free style—Won by Hirschberger (R); Burkett (R) 2nd; Lineback (Y) 3rd. Winning time: 26.2 seconds.

100-Yd. breast stroke—Won by Dellen (Y); Bork (R) 2nd; Faunce (R) 3rd. Time: 1:11.4.

200-Yd. free style—Won by Tschirhart (Y); Lucas (Y) 2nd; Lineback (Y) 3rd. Time: 2:16.6.

100-Yd. back stroke—Won by Lineback (Y); Price (R) 2nd; Bleim (Y) 3rd. Time: 1:05.8.

100-Yd. free-style—Won by Rose (R); Burkett (R) 2nd; Birchill (Y) 3rd. Time: 57.3.

150-Yd. individual medley—Won by Hansen (Y); Litzter (Y) 2nd; Wolf (R) 3rd. Time: 1:59.7.

Diving—Won by Bob Litzter (Y); Hunt (R) 2nd; Sodt (Y) 3rd.

150-Yd. medley relay—Won by Ross (Price, Bork, Lorenzen). Time: 1:28.3.

200-Yd. free-style relay—Won by Ross (Rose, Lucas, Lorenzen, Hirschberger). Time: 1:46.0.

Giants First In Six Events

Ross high's swimmers had no difficulty in winning their sixth dual meeting in eight starts on Tuesday evening in the local pool, Bowling Green State university's freshmen being a 46-29 victim.

Coach George Gruse's squad won six events, with George Hirschberger, Neil Bork, Bob Lucas, Tom Wolf and Larry Hunt individual winners. The nifty Ross free style relay team composed of Jack Rose, Louie Lorenzen, Lucas and Hirschberger, won its event by half a pool length.

Hirschberger had no trouble as he kept up his winning ways in the 50-yard free style.

Bowling Green's team did not compete in the diving, with Ross being awarded first and second places. Larry Hunt outpointed Dick DeMars.

Friday, the local tankers are in for a rough evening. They engage the mighty Canton McKinley team there.

50-Yd. free-style—Won by Hirschberger (R); Burkett (R) 2nd; Stierlow (BG) 3rd. Time: 25.9 seconds.

100-Yd. breast-stroke—Won by Bork (R); Levy (BG) 2nd; Spangensberger (BG) 3rd. Time: 1:14.3.

200-Yd. free-style—Won by Lucas (R); Dall (BG) 2nd; Kirsch (R) 3rd. Time: 2:22.2.

100-Yd. back-stroke—Won by Atkinson (BG); Price (R) 2nd; Slaymaker (BG) 3rd. Time: 1:06.9.

100-Yd. free-style—Won by Scogg (BG); Rose (R) 2nd; Lorenzen (R) 3rd. Time: 59.0 seconds.

150-Yd. individual medley—Won by Wolf (R); Freedheim (BG) 2nd; Spangenberger (BG) 3rd. Time: 2:04.9.

Diving—Won by Hunt (R); DeMars (R) 2nd. Third place awarded to BGU, which had no entry.

150-Yd. medley relay—Won by B. G. (Atkinson, Levy, Scogg). Time: 1:28.

200-Yd. free-style relay—Won by Ross (Rose, Lorenzen, Lucas, Hirschberger). Time: 1:47.3.

Swimmers Beat Scott Hi, 43-23

Ross high's swimmers spotted Toledo Scott victories in the first three events, but won the last five with ease for a 43-23 victory there Tuesday.

The Giants, who now have won seven of nine dual meets, had a revised lineup for the Bulldogs.

Outstanding performances were turned in by Bob Lucas in the 150-yard medley swim, Lenny Price in the backstroke, and Jack Rose in the 100-yard free style. Lucas was used in the medley event as an experiment by Coach George Gruse and the athlete responded by covering the distance in 1:55.9.

Price won in 1:05.9, while Rose swam his race in 56.5 seconds.

Next on the agenda for the Giants is the district meet at Bowling Green Monday.

50-Yd. free-style—Won by Liggins (S); Wolf (R) 2nd; Winkle (R) 3rd. Time: 28.4 seconds.

100-Yd. breast-stroke—Won by Lichtasien (S); Cross (R) 2nd; Faunce (R) 3rd.

200-Yd. free-style—Won by Powell (S); Kirsch (R) 2nd; Frantz (R) 3rd. Time: 2:25.8.

100-Yd. back-stroke—Won by Price (R); Sewell (S) 2nd; Wickland (S) 3rd. Time: 1:05.9.

100-Yd. free-style—Won by Rose (R); Burkett (R) 2nd; Taylor (S) 3rd. 56.5 seconds.

150-Yd. individual medley—Won by Lucas (R); Nathanson (S) 2nd; Sherer (R) 3rd. Time: 1:55.9.

150-Yd. medley relay—Won by Ross (Price, Cross, Lorenzen). Time: 1:29.9.

200-Yd. free-style relay—Won by Ross (Burkett, Rose, Bork, Hirschberger). Time: 1:45.7.



Townsend Photos

The Ross high school swimming squad, pictured above, lost only two dual meets while winning seven, captured the district honors and was fifth in the state meet this season. Their performance is exceptionally outstanding because there is not a senior on the squad. Front row, left to right: Ned Frantz, Bill Faunce, Bruce Sherer, Gary Schwartz, Dick DeMars, Bud Cross, Bud Winkle; middle row: Bub Lucas, Dick Burkett, Jack Rose, Lonn Price, Louis Lorenzen, Neal Bork, George Hirschberger, Coach George Gruse; back row: Tom Wolf, Glen Waller, Tom Kirsch, Jim Rauch, Gene Smith, Larry Hunt.

Burkett Elected Swim Captain; Six On Squad Presented Letters

Dick Burkett, Ross junior free-styler, has been elected honorary captain of the 1950-51 swimming team, Coach George Gruse announced today.

Burkett was a member of last season's team.

Gruse also said that letters will be awarded six members of the squad that won the district title and finished fifth in the state meet. They are Burkett, Lonn Price and Neal Bork, juniors, and George Hirschberger, Jack Rose and Bob Lucas, sophomores.

Gruse presented the letters at an assembly program this afternoon.

The coach said that performance rather than actual participation figures in the selection of letter-winners.

Bowling

Eddie Binsack, Fangboner Seed leadoff man, started his second game in the Recreation league with eight straight strikes last night, then finished with a 266 score, the best rolled in local bowling circles Monday.

Eddie's ninth pitch was a little too high on the head pin, leaving the 4-7 spare.

Binsack also notched the best three-game score for Monday, a 655. He started with a 169, tossed his 266 and closed with 220. Another Fangboner Seed man, anchor man Gene Mehling, rolled 242 his last game.

Borden's placed Bruce Watts

Darr On 2nd Team Of All-Mid-Ohio

COLUMBUS, O., March 13—AP—Findlay and Ashland colleges placed two players each on the Mid-Ohio League all-star basketball team selected by the Associated Press with the aid of coaches, sports editors and officials.

The second team includes Kent Darr, of Fremont, a former Ross high school athlete. The first team: Ron Marquette, Findlay, and John McDowell, Ohio Northern, forwards; Don Debrus, Ashland, center; Bob Werley, Findlay, and Dick Cooper, Ashland, guards.

Fangboner	934	1064	956	2954
High: Binsack	169	266	220	655
Chaney's	917	1024	978	2919
Fisher Hi-Speed	979	965	1009	2953
High: J. Stiger	213	203	220	636
Thrifty	910	1018	892	2820
Borden's	973	971	1033	2977
High: Watts	202	183	245	630