

## 2009 Season Review...

### 2008-09 High School Swimming

## Little Giants feeling happy effects of Michael Phelps

### News-Messenger reports

Ross Swimming kicks off its 15th season under head coach Phil Moran with plenty of experience and plenty of new blood.

"We have 28 boys and 25 girls out this year, making this the biggest team in my career," said Moran. "I call it the Michael Phelps effect. Every year after an Olympics, we get an influx of kids who want to swim. This was just a little bigger than average, thanks to Phelps."

How competitive they will be as a whole remains to be seen, Moran said. The majority of the new freshman have no experience, so turns, rotary breathing and the basics are the first order of business. "A lot will depend on how fast we get the new guys up and going," he said. "Once we're into the season, we'll find out what they're good at."

If bloodlines have anything to do with winning, Ross has a lot going for it. The Wasserman brothers, the Fisher, Miller and Overmyer sisters, and three Yuhua siblings make up almost a quarter of the team.

Ross will also field a full contingent of divers this year, both new and seasoned. "Having depth on the dive team gives us

a lot of added points, and I can't tell you how many meets we used to lose when we were down at the old pool and didn't have divers," said Moran, "or how many we've won since we moved to the new pool and had good divers."

Having more swimmers in more events has its advantages, but Ross has more than just quantity on its side. Four of the six 2008 state qualifiers in the men's free relays are back; Seniors Jordan Beck, Dexter Foos, Erick White and Kyle Wasserman, Moran is hoping that someone will step up and fill the hole that graduate Lincoln Fahrbach left behind. Granted, that's a pretty big hole. Fahrbach holds seven of the eight individual school records, and was integral to the boy's team qualifying two relays to states last year.

There is one complication that "The Phelps Effect" has created across the entire state. Ohio hit the magic number of 251 boys swim teams this season, which led the state to create two boys divisions for the first time in OHSAA history. Fremont falls into Division I, and that means when it comes time for state

qualifying, only the winner in each event will get an automatic bid from the district meet, as compared to three qualifiers last year under the single division setup.

"In our Greater Buckeye Conference everyone except Napoleon is D-1," Moran said. "However, Northwest Ohio has the fewest D-1 teams in the state, and that's why we only get one automatic," said Moran. "There are more D-2 teams in Northwest Ohio than D-1, so the D-2s get more automatics."

There's state experience as well on the Lady Giants team. Taylor Waggoner and Christy Meggett were part of the school record setting 400-yard free relay, and Courtney Gabel swam with Waggoner on the record setting 200-yard free relay. "The girls relays have the same issue as the boys, times 2," said Moran, referring to the loss of two record-setting graduates, Jessica Ickes and Jacque Fate.

"We just have to find our niche," said Moran. "Last year the puzzle fell into place, with three strong, experienced swimmers leading the way. This year we have to create a whole new puzzle."

Ross begins work on that puzzle December 2nd, with its first home meet against Sandusky.

### SJCC

The Crimson Streaks look to build on last season, when Ashley Overmyer, Jenna Swint and Joy Risner return from two relay teams that were the first in school history to qualify to districts.

Fourth-year head coach Kevin Casey said that there are seven girls and a boy out as freshmen, a testament to the developing junior high program as well.

Overall, numbers continue to increase as Casey has 14 girls and five boys on the team.

### Oak Harbor

The Rockets should be sitting pretty in the Sandusky Bay Conference this year, with 11 returning lettermen on the boys team and another 15 returning letter winners on the girls team.

Boys returning from last year's team, which finished fifth in the SBC, include Aaron Reichman, Bryan Winters and Ben Andryc — all parts of district-qualifying relay teams — and diver Adam Andryc.

Returning girls include district qualifiers Andrea Behm,

Bethany McNutt, Danielle Franck and Marlee Carpenter, and state qualifiers Katie Bechtel, Jenna Diekman, Allie Reynolds, Samantha Reynolds, Olivia Porter and Brielle Hanthorn.

### Margaretta

Polar Bears coach Joe Groscoft said the boys SBC race will be for second place. Perkins, his old stomping grounds, is the favorite to win.

But after that, it's anyone's ballgame.

"Our boys have as good a shot as any for second or third," said Groscoft, in his 11th year coaching at Margaretta.

All told, there are about 20 boys out, including a lot of freshmen.

"I'm going to be counting on them a lot," he said.

The Polar Bears girls team has 34 members, including Morgan and Sydney Craig, half of a state-qualifying relay team.

Groscoft sees Perkins, Port Clinton and Oak Harbor at the top of the SBC standings.

"We're going to have some good young ladies, but we'll be going against some good ones," he said.

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## Perkins sweeps NWOAC Relays

By ANDY HOGAN  
News-Messenger correspondent

NAPOLEON — Area swimmers had a chance to scope out the upcoming season's competition at the Northwest Ohio Aquatic Conference Relay Meet Saturday in Napoleon.

Sandusky Perkins looks like the team to beat with first place finishes on both boys and girls sides.

Fremont Ross boys finished fourth behind Toledo St. John and Napoleon, while the Oak Harbor boys were sixth and Port Clinton was eighth in the 11-team meet. In the girls meet, the Little Giants took third, Oak Harbor was fourth and Port Clinton ended up fifth.

The girl's 200-yard freestyle relay went to Oak Harbor's Jenna Diekman, Andrea Behm, Samantha Reynolds and Olivia Porter. Behm, Reynolds Katie Bechtel and Andrea Behm grabbed a second in the 400 yard free. Fremont's best finish came in the girls 300-yard medley relay, with Courtney Gabel, Danielle Minier and Taylor Waggoner getting second. Gabel, Minier and Waggoner took third in the 300-yard butterfly. Alyssa Moyer, Julie Overmyer, Carly Young and Christy Meggitt added another third in the 400-yard medley relay.

The Port Clinton girls also had a pair of thirds. Mackenzie Stewart, Michelle Hablitzel, Ashley Zeller and Dana Lidiu in the 800-yard free and Rachael Finley, Kelsey Lindsley, Stewart and Lana Sneath in the 300-yard breaststroke.

Oak Harbor's Danielle Franck, Jenna Diekman, Bethany McNutt and Samantha Reynolds also had a third in the 300-yard backstroke relay.

For the Ross boys, Erick White, Tommy Hohman, Alex Hoffman and Kyle Wasserman swam hard for their first place in the 300-yard butterfly, touching just half a second in front of St. John's 2:51.12-2:51.83. A pair of second places kept the Little Giants in the hunt. Dexter Foos, Hoffman, Wasserman and Jordan Beck touched in second in both the 400-yard medley and the 800-yard free.

"That's where experience helps," said Coach Phil Moran. An all senior 400 free relay of Beck, Foos, White and Brian Hoelzel went third in the 400-yard free.

In another nail-biter, the boys 200-yard free relay, Port Clinton's Josh Scott, David Allen, Daniel Stewart and Michael Long finished just 0.09 of a second behind Toledo St. John's; 1:38.67-1:38.78.

The area's top qualifying swimmers will compete Friday and Saturday at the Ned Reed Invitational on the Ohio State University campus.

**HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING**

# Rockets getting back to form

By JEFF ARENZ  
Sports Writer

FREMONT — The Oak Harbor Rockets have picked up almost where they left off.

On Tuesday in their first dual swim meets of the season, the Oak Harbor girls held the upper hand against Fremont Ross 102-83 and Sylvania Northview 124-61 at the Fremont Ross Natatorium.

"I felt great about the team's times and they way they swam," Oak Harbor coach Andrea Sorg said. "We had some events where we were a little bit disappointed in where we're starting out. But then we also had some spectacular swims that we're really excited about."

Sophomore Allie Reynolds and junior Olivia Porter were key cogs for the Rockets.

Reynolds won two individual events (100 and 200 freestyles), swam the first leg of the 200 freestyle relay and the anchor leg of the 400 freestyle relay as Oak Harbor won both in 1:46.17 and 3:52.25, respectively.

In the 100 freestyle, Reynolds turned in a time of 57.32 seconds after claiming the 200 freestyle in 2:04.94.

Porter switched positions with Reynolds during relay events. In the 200 freestyle, Porter was the anchor before taking the first leg of the 400 freestyle. She added a victory in the 50 freestyle in 26.28.

"Our girls 200 and 400 relays are starting out faster than where they were at during sectionals last year, and that's pretty amazing," Sorg said. "Allie Reynolds is starting out in her 100 and 200 freestyle events about where she was at sectionals."

Senior Katie Bechtel had the second leg of the 200 freestyle relay and the third leg in the 400. Senior Samantha Reynolds was Oak Harbor's third swimmer in the 200, while junior Brielle Hanthorn swam the second leg of the 400.

Samantha Reynolds added a first-place effort during the 100



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FREMONT ROSS'S BRITTANY STOUT competes in the one-meter dive Tuesday at Ross. Stout won the event.

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# Little Giants prevail at Natatorium

By JEFF ARENZ  
Sports Writer

FREMONT — The contributions were spread out among many Fremont Ross swimmers, but the result was still the same.

The Little Giants won seven events en route to defeating Oak Harbor 131-54 and Sylvania Northview 122-64 during a triangular meet Tuesday night at the Fremont Ross Natatorium.

"Some of the younger boys really stepped up for us," Ross coach Phil Moran said. "I saw some really nice drops (in their times). I could tell some of my older boys were hurting."

Junior Dexter Foos attacked the water with sheer aggression, winning two individual events and helping the Little Giants claim two relays. He took the 100 backstroke in 58.62 seconds and was the champion of 50 freestyle in 23.76. Foos swam the first leg of 200 medley relay and the second leg of the 400 freestyle relay, events Ross won in 1:48.77 and 3:36.75, respectively.

Brian Hoelzle, Eric White and Jordan Beck combined with Foos in the 200 medley relay. Hoelzle, Beck teamed with Alex Hoffman and Kyle Wasserman to win the 200 freestyle relay in 1:37.10 for the Little Giants. Along with Foos, Ross won the 400 freestyle relay with Beck, Wasserman and White.

Tom Hohman, another Little Giants' junior, was a split second faster than teammate Michael Yuhas in the 200 freestyle 1:59.44-2:00.65.

Wasserman held off Hohman and White in 500 freestyle in 5:21.64 as Ross swimmers claimed the top three spots. Wasserman had a shot to win the 200 individual medley, but was disqualified for using an illegal kick.

"It reminds him that the best swimmers on our record board

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backstroke in 1:10.75.

Ross ripped Northview 118-67 in the meet's other dual.

Taylor Waggoner and Danielle Minier each one an individual event for the Little Giants and helped Ross take the 200 medley relay in 1:58.89.

Waggoner swam to victory in the 100 butterfly in 1:03.27, while Minier turned in a time of 1:13.74 in the breaststroke. They were joined by third-leg swimmer Courtney Gabel and anchor Christy Meggitt during the 200 medley.

"Taylor is very solid and she's getting faster every meet," Ross coach Phil

Moran said. "Those Oak Harbor girls were really good. That's a good team."

Moran said many of the Little Giants had personal records during the meet.

"If they swim PRs, and they get beat, they should still be happy," Moran said. "In that 200 free relay, that was the fastest time we've done all year."

The Rockets edged the Little Giants (Gabel, Minier, Meggitt and Waggoner) by 0.23 seconds (1:46.17-1:46.40) in the 200 relay.

Ross senior Brittany Stout (190.55 points) and junior Jordyn Gallagher (173.35) placed 1-2 in diving. Oak Harbor's Katie Millinger was third (167.15).

Laura Guinness won the 200 individual medley in 2:17.48 and took the 500 freestyle in 5:24.10 for Northview.

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# Ross

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have been DQed," Moran said.

Northview edged Oak Harbor 95 $\frac{1}{2}$ -86 $\frac{1}{2}$  in the meet's other dual.

Tyler Meek posted a score of 172 points to win the diving event for the Rockets. Aaron Riechman added a first-place finish in the 100 freestyle in 54.35. Andrew Walsh finished second to Foos during the 100 backstroke in 1:02.

Walsh and Riechman combined with Ben Andryc and Drew Wilburn to place

second to Ross during the 400 freestyle relay in 3:46.75

"I felt great about the team's times and the way they swam," Oak Harbor coach Andrea Sorg said. "Aaron Riechman is starting out about where he ended up last year. Andrew Walsh had some great swims in the backstroke and the 200 and 400 relays."

Zach McClurg won two individual events (200 individual medley in 2:22.96 and 100 breaststroke in 1:09.36) for Northview, which received a victory from Michael Ward during the 100 butterfly in 1:02.76.

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# Swimming

## High School Boys

**Ross 131, Oak Harbor 54**

**Ross 122, Northview 64**

**Northview 95.5, Oak Harbor 86.5**

### 200 Medley Relay

1, Ross 'A' (Dexter Foos, Brian Hoelzle, Erick A White, Jordan D Beck), 1:48.77. 2, Ross 'B' (Eric Yuhas, Alex J Hoffman, Keith Wasserman, Harry Dorobeck), 1:57.19. 3, Oak Harbor 'A' (Andrew Walsh, Aaron Riechman, Drew Wilburn, Ben Andryc), 2:00.41. 4, Northview 'A' (Daniel Rhollans, Nick Pietykowski, Ben M McClug, Ryan Coutts), 2:07.37. 5, Ross 'C' (Alex House, Derek Weickert, Buddy Music, Andres Guzman), x:08.35. 6, Oak Harbor 'B' (Tyler Schmidt, Adam Andryc, Tom Witt, Jordan Miller), 2:25.06. 7, Northview 'B' (Matt Disher, Bret Hendricks, Marc Schwab, Cody Brant), 2:36.04.

### 200 Freestyle

1, Tommy J Hohman, Fremont, 1:59.44. 2, Michael J Yuhas, Fremont, 2:00.65. 3, Aaron Riechman, OH, 2:07.40. 4, Luke Wilhelm, Fremont, 2:11.19. 5, Ryan Coutts, 2:17.96. 6, Ben Andryc, OH, 2:19.35. 7, Kyle Johnson, OH, 2:45.45. 8, Marc Schwab, 3:04.41. --, Richard Christiansen, Fremont, X2:11.91.

### 200 I.M.

1, Zach M McClurg, 2:22.96. 2, Keith Wasserman, Fremont, 2:27.82. 3, Harry Dorobeck, Fremont, 2:30.02. 4, Ben M McClug, 2:34.40. 5, Drew Smercina, OH, 2:39.40. 6, Daniel Rhollans, 2:39.66. 7, Michael Cervantes, OH, 2:49.69. --, Kyle J Wasserman, Fremont, DQ.

### 50 Freestyle

1, Dexter Foos, Fremont, 23.76. 2, Michael G Ward, 23.90. 3, Erick A White, Fremont, 24.35. 4, Andrew Walsh, OH, 25.24. 5, Derek Weickert, Fremont, 27.00. 6, Ayron Wiegand, OH, 28.51. 7, Britain Fretz, 30.17. 8, Tim Fleck, 31.21. 9, Jordan Miller, OH, 32.36. --, Luke Wilhelm, Fremont, X25.51. --, Buddy Music, Fremont, X26.14. Andres Guzman, Fremont, X28.26. Jacob Berryman, Fremont, X30.67., Collin Michael, Fremont, X32.16. Adam Jenkins, Fremont, X32.20., Luke Kingsborough, Fremont, X33.85.

### Diving

1, Tyler Meek, OH, 172.00. 2, Jacob Mikolasczyk, 159.55. 3, AJ Gonzales, Fremont, 142.90. 4, Adam Andryc, OH, 137.50. 4, Sam Federman, 137.50. 6, Tyler Kincaid, Fremont, 133.20. 7, Michel Bringenberg, Fremont, 128.65.

### 100 Butterfly

1, Michael G Ward, 1:02.76. 2, Jordan D Beck, Fremont, 1:04.40. 3, Eric Yuhas, Fremont, 1:11.63. 4, Ryan Coutts, 1:15.48. 5, Buddy Music, Fremont, 1:18.16. 6, Michael Cervantes, OH, 1:25.19. 7, Tom Witt, OH, 1:34.46.

### 100 Freestyle

1, Aaron Riechman, OH, 54.35. 2, Brian Hoelzle, Fremont, 55.57. 3, Mico Cordero, 56.12. 4, Michael J Yuhas, Fremont, 56.47. 5, Richard Christiansen, Fremont, 56.92. 6, Ayron Wiegand, OH, 1:07.69. 7, Tyler Schmidt, OH, 1:08.52. 8, Trent Victor, 1:12.76. 9, Tyler Thatcher, 1:28.62. Harry Dorobeck, Fremont, X58.18., Bobby Carnicom, Fremont, X58.97., Jerrod Simpson, Fremont, X59.85., Alex House, Fremont, X1:06.17. , Jacob Berryman, Fremont, X1:10.34. --, Jordan Miller, OH, X1:11.77. --, Adam Jenkins, Fremont, X1:12.96. --, Collin Michael, Fremont, X1:19.21.

### 500 Freestyle

1, Kyle J Wasserman, Fremont, 5:21.64. 2, Tommy J Hohman, Fremont, 5:26.86. 3, Erick A White, Fremont, 5:41.73. 4, Ben M McClug, 5:57.00. 5, Drew Wilburn, OH, 5:57.35. 6, Ben Andryc, OH, 6:17.40. 7, Cody Brant, 7:11.97.

### 200 Freestyle Relay

1, Ross 'A' (Jordan D Beck, Alex J Hoffman, Brian Hoelzle, Kyle J Wasserman), 1:37.10. 2, Northview 'A' (Mico Cordero, Ben M McClug, Zach M McClurg, Michael G Ward), 1:41.20. 3, Ross 'C' (Keith Wasserman, Michel Bringenberg, Jacob Berryman, Luke Kingsborough), 1:55.75. 4, Ross 'B' (Andres Guzman, Alex House, Adam Jenkins, Collin Michael), x:02.09. 5, Oak Harbor 'B' (Drew Smercina, Jordan Miller, Tom Witt, Tyler Schmidt), 2:05.09. 6, Northview 'C' (Tim Fleck, Bret Hendricks, Trent Victor, Cody Brant), 2:07.77. 7, Sylvania Northview-OH 'B' (Matt Disher, Tyler Thatcher, Mike Whalen, Marc Schwab), x:2:20.88. --, Oak Harbor 'A' (Drew Wilburn, Michael Cervantes, Ayron Wiegand, Adam Andryc), DQ.

### 100 Backstroke

1, Dexter Foos, Fremont, 58.82. 2, Andrew Walsh, OH, 1:02.00. 3, Eric Yuhas, Fremont, 1:10.02. 4, Luke Wilhelm, Fremont, 1:13.30. 5, Nick Pietykowski, 1:18.71. 6, Cody Brant, 1:24.94. 7, Kyle Johnson, OH, 1:36.02.

### 100 Breaststroke

1, Zach M McClurg, 1:09.36. 2, Alex J Hoffman, Fremont, 1:09.43. 3, Mico Cordero, 1:14.09. 4, Nick Pietykowski, 1:14.56. 5, Drew Smercina, OH, 1:19.03. 6, Derek Weickert, Fremont, 1:22.12. 7, Adam Andryc, OH, 1:22.61. 8, Jerrod Simpson, Fremont, 1:24.09.

### 400 Freestyle Relay

1, Ross 'A' (Jordan D Beck, Dexter Foos, Kyle J Wasserman, Erick A White), 3:36.75. 2, Oak Harbor 'A' (Andrew Walsh, Ben Andryc, Drew Wilburn, Aaron Riechman), 3:46.75. 3, Ross 'B' (Tommy J Hohman, Richard Christiansen, Michael J Yuhas, Keith Wasserman), 3:47.17. 4, Northview 'A' (Zach M McClurg, Nick Pietykowski, Mico Cordero, Michael G Ward), 4:02.71. 5, Ross 'C' (Buddy Music, Luke Wilhelm, Eric Yuhas, Jerrod Simpson), x4:03.29. 6, Northview 'B' (Ryan Coutts, Tim Fleck, Britain Fretz, Daniel Rhollans), 4:24.29. 7, Oak Harbor 'B' (Michael Cervantes, Ayron Wiegand, Drew Smercina, Tyler Schmidt), 4:34.22.

## High School Girls

**Oak Harbor 102, Ross 83**

**Ross 118, Northview 67**

**Oak Harbor 124, Northview 61**

### 200 Medley Relay

1, Ross 'A' (Taylor Porter, Danielle Minier, Courtney Gabel, Christy Meggitt, Alyssa L Moyer, Carrie Young, Cadie L Fisher, Ellen D'Antonio), 2:13.02. 4, Northview 'B' (Bethany McNutt, Lindsay Cochran, Megan Cervantes, Jenna Diekman), 2:08.56. 3, Ross 'B' (Alyssa L Moyer, Carrie Young, Cadie L Fisher, Ellen D'Antonio), 2:13.82. 5, Oak Harbor 'C' (Vanessa Rischman, Tabea Heisenberg, Breanna Nero, Christine Andryc), 2:22.46. 6, Northview 'A' (Lydia Lewis, Taylor Hennings, Taylor Wiegand, Katherine Chapman), 2:29.79. 7, Northview 'C' (Kelly O'Connell, Hanah Huff, Chandler Austin, Haley Canfield), 2:36.82. --, Oak Harbor 'A' (Samantha Reynolds, Danielle Franck, Brielle Hanthorn, Dara Portor), DQ.

**200 Freestyle Relay**

1, Allie Reynolds, OH, 2:04.94. 2, Megan L Foster, 2:07.57. 3, Katie Bechtel, OH, 2:07.73. 4, Danielle Minier, Fremont, 2:15.60. 5, Andrea Behm, OH, 2:19.20. 6, Kristyn Paulson, OH, 2:31.87. 7, Carly Young, Fremont, 2:25.69. 8, Kathryn Collins, 2:31.24. 9, Taylor Hennings, 2:34.23. 10, Corinne Lewis, Fremont, x:39.47.

### 200 I.M.

1, Laura M Garber, Fremont, 2:17.48. 2, Taylor Wiegand, Fremont, 2:17.90. 3, Brielle Hanthorn, OH, 2:27.40. 4, Danielle Franck, OH, 2:37.67. 5, Lindsay Cochran, OH, 2:39.46. 6, Alyssa L Moyer, Fremont, 2:45.29. 7, Melissa Hrovat, 2:52.77. 8, Chandler Austin, 3:19.69. --, Cadie L Fisher, Fremont, DQ.

### 50 Freestyle

1, Olivia Porter, OH, 26.28. 2, Jenna Diekman, OH, 26.83. 3, Sammi Miller, Fremont, 27.61. 4, Danielle E Hrovat, 27.87. 5, Andrea Overmyer, Fremont, 27.91. 6, Kristyn Paulson, Fremont, 27.97. 7, Ali Miller, Fremont, 2:29.28. 8, Vanessa Rischman, OH, 29.65. 9, Jessica L Willard, 30.66. 10, Lydia Grun, 32.17.

### Diving

1, Brittany Stoeck, Fremont, 1:00.55. 2, Jordyn Gallagher, Fremont, 1:73.35. 3, Katie Millinger, OH, 1:17.4. 4, Emily Due, 1:36.10. 5, Sara Federman, 1:37.05. 6, Chelsea Garza, OH, 1:19.45.

### 100 Butterfly

1, Taylor Wiegand, Fremont, 1:03.27. 2, Katie Bechtel, OH, 1:04.65. 3, Kayla Kimmitt, 1:09.13. 4, Danielle E Hrovat, 1:10.99. 5, Christy Meggitt, Fremont, 1:14.20. 6, Megan Cervantes, OH, 1:17.54. 7, Ellen D'Antonio, Fremont, 1:19.88. 8, Jennifer Willard, 1:21.84. 9, Vanessa Rischman, OH, 1:25.03.

### 100 Freestyle

1, Allie Reynolds, OH, 57.32. 2, Courtney Gabel, Fremont, 1:00.39. 3, Samantha Reynolds, OH, 1:01.58. 4, Sammi Miller, Fremont, 1:02.41. 5, V Latore, Fremont, 1:04.17. 6, Kristyn Paulson, Fremont, 1:03.39. 7, Bethany Mohrli, OH, 1:05.43. 8, Ellen Silva, Fremont, x:107.19. 9, Katherine Chang, 1:15.05. 10, Chandler Austin, 1:20.56. --, Natasha Fisher, OH, X1:06.69. --, Felicia Lenzbeny, OH, X1:06.69. --, Savannah J Simmens, Fremont, X1:08.30. --, Megan Wiesenhause, OH, X1:13.29. --, McKenzie Kightlinger, OH, X1:22.57. --, Megan Joseph, Fremont, X1:29.13.

### 500 Freestyle

1, Laura M Garber, 5:24.10. 2, Brielle Hanthorn, OH, 5:52.15. 3, Christy Meggitt, Fremont, 6:03.41. 4, Andrea Behm, OH, 6:12.89. 5, Kayla Kimmitt, 6:14.99. 6, Amy Yuhas, Fremont, 6:29.22. 7, Corinne Lewis, Fremont, 6:57.30. 8, Christie Andryc, Fremont, 6:59.28. 9, Victoria K Pietykowski, 7:17.03.

### 200 Freestyle Relay

1, Oak Harbor 'A' (Allie Reynolds, Katie Bechtel, Samantha Reynolds, Olivia Porter), 1:46.17. 2, Ross 'A' (Courtney Gabel, Christy Meggitt, Taylor Wiegand), 1:46.43. 3, Northview 'A' (Danielle E Hrovat, Faith V Latore, Megan L Foster, Laura M Guiness), 1:50.35. 4, Fremont Ross High School 'B' (Alesha Overmyer, Ellen Silva, Kristyn Paulson, Michael Bringenberg), 1:52.26. 5, Oak Harbor 'B' (Andrea Behm, Danielle Franck, Lindsay Cochran, Megan Cervantes), 1:56.20. 6, Fremont Ross High School 'C' (Ali Miller, Jordyn Gallagher, Ellen D'Antonio, Andrea Behm), x:2:01.98. 7, Northview 'B' (Danielle Pietykowski, Danielle Corder, Gabby Radke, Keira O'Connell), 2:05.54. 8, Fremont Ross High School 'D' (Corinne Lewis, Megan Joseph, Whitney Lard, Savannah J Simmens), x:2:07.9. 9, Oak Harbor 'C' (Megan Wiesenhause, Erin Fowler, Tabea Heisenberg, Felicia Lenzbeny), x:2:27.75. 10, Northview 'C' (Alyse Rogerson, Anja Kafel, Divya Biyani, Hanah Huff), x:2:22.28.

### 100 Backstroke

1, Sammi Miller, OH, 1:19.75. 2, Megan L Foster, 1:10.91. 3, Jenna Diekman, OH, 1:10.92. 4, Bethany McNutt, OH, 1:11.58. 5, Alyssa L Moyer, Fremont, 1:11.99. 6, Kristyn Paulson, Fremont, 1:14.54. 7, Katelyn Collins, 1:18.23. 8, Ellen Silva, Fremont, 1:18.77. 9, Lydia Grun, 1:25.46.

### 100 Breaststroke

1, Danielle Minier, Fremont, 1:13.74.2, Danielle Franck, OH, 1:17.55. 3, Alesha Overmyer, Fremont, 1:18.60. 4, Andrea Behm, Fremont, 1:22.47. 5, Megan Cervantes, OH, 1:26.19. 7, Faith V Latore, 1:28.62. 8, Katherine Chang, 1:33.10.

### 400 Freestyle Relay

1, Oak Harbor 'A' (Olivia Porter, Brielle Hanthorn, Sammi Miller, Katie Bechtel), 3:52.25. 2, Oak Harbor 'B' (Andrea Behm, Bethany McNutt, Vanessa Rischman, Jenna Diekman), 4:16.26. 3, Ross 'A' (Sammi Miller, Ellen Silva, Alesha Overmyer, Courtney Gabel), 4:17.34. 4,

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**HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING**

# Little Giants get better at Reeb

**Ross boys finish 10th at state's largest meet**

By **ANDY HOGAN**

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COLUMBUS — The Fremont Ross High School boys swimming and diving team is excited about an improved showing Saturday at the Ned Reeb Memorial Invitational.

The Little Giants finished three places higher than last year, taking 10th among 60 teams during the meet which was held at The Ohio State University's McCorkle Pavilion. Ross ended up 32nd in the girls portion of the meet.

The Ned Reeb Memorial Invitational is the largest swimming and diving meet in the state, even surpassing the OHSAA state championship in sheer numbers. More than 1,000 swimmers from the state's top teams compete, giving all coaches and swimmers a good look at who to watch in the season ahead.

"The boys have come a long way since this time last year," Little Giants coach Phil Moran said.

"Competing at state last year sure has helped their confidence. From (competing in) zero relays last year to (competing in) three this year takes a lot of pool time."

Ross's returning lettermen qualified during morning prelims to evening finals in three individual and three relay events. Two Little Giants' relay teams made the eight-team championship rounds in the 200- and 400-yard freestyle events. None of the Ross relays competed in the championship or consolation rounds last year.

Jordan Beck, Alex Hoffman, Dexter Foos and Kyle Wasserman swam to a seventh-place effort in the 400 freestyle relay in 3:22.16. Foos, Beck, Brian Hoelzle and Eric White were eighth in the 200 in 1:32.06. White, Wasserman, Hoffman and Hoelzle composed the 200 medley relay team that finished 12th in the consolation round.

Three preliminary events ended in ties, forcing swimoffs for the eighth place in the championship rounds. Two swimoffs in

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volved Little Giants. Beck lost his swim off in the 50 freestyle before finishing 15th in the consolation round. His best finish last year was a 47th in the 100 free.

Wasserman lost his swimoff in the 100 butterfly, but had a time of 55.46 seconds in the consolation heat for 12th place. He moved up three slots from his 15th-place finish in 2007. Foos, who placed 33rd last year in the 100 freestyle, grabbed 10th in the 100 backstroke this year in 57.18.

In the girls portion of the meet, sophomore Taylor Waggoner tied for 13th in the 100 but-

terfly in 1:02.81. She was part of last year's third-place freestyle relay team. Waggoner, Courtney Gabel, Danielle Minier and Christy Meggitt took 15th among 43 teams in the 200 medley relay.

"The girls struggled a little more than the boys this year, especially in the relay events," said Moran, referring to the loss of last year's record-setting seniors. "I really think the girls will be there by the end of the year. There have been many Ned Reeb's when we didn't too well, and had great season finishes."

Ross swims four more times before the holiday break, including a home meet today against Port Clinton and another tomorrow against Findlay. The Little Giants swim Saturday at the St. Francis Invitational in Toledo, and on Dec. 23rd at home against Sandusky Perkins.



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## HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING

# Ross boys swim fifth at St. Francis

## SJCC girls establish new school records

By ANDY HOGAN  
News-Messenger correspondent

TOLEDO — As in years past, Toledo St. Francis DeSales dominated its own invitational on Saturday, winning the meet with 694 points.

Among 21 teams, the Fremont Ross Little Giants were fifth with 183, just 6 points out of fourth, which went to Lima Shawnee. The second place team was Cincinnati Mariemont with 233, and third went to Cleveland Orange.

The Ross boys finished third at the St. Francis DeSales invitational last year.

In the girls portion of the meet, the Little Giants, who were fourth last year, finished the meet seventh with 170 points Saturday. Lima Shawnee was first in the 22-team field with 362 points. The St. Joseph Central Catholic girls came in 19th with 8 points.

Junior Dexter Foos led the way to Ross' best finish. He was third in the 200 individual medley championship heat in 2:07.69. Foos earned a few more team points with a 12th-place effort in the 100 breaststroke consolation heat.

Senior Jordan Beck was sixth in the 100 freestyle championship round, and 14th in the 200 freestyle. Junior Tommy Hohman also earned a spot in the championship heats, finishing seventh in the 100 butterfly. Erick White took 11th in the same event.

"The relays are what really kept the boys in this," said Ross coach Phil Moran. "Three relays made the championship heat in the finals, and that's worth a lot of points."

Beck, Foos, Brian Hoelze and Erick White grabbed fourth in the 200 freestyle relay in 1:33.91, just missing third by 0.19 seconds to Cincinnati Mariemont with a 1:33.72. Beck and Hoelze were part of the sixth place 400 freestyle relay, along with Alex Hoffman and Kyle Wasserman. Foos, Wasserman, Hoffman and White put together a strong finish to touch the wall ahead of Tiffin Columbian, 1:48.26 to 1:48.36 for forth in the 200 medley relay.

Other top finishes in the consolation heat included a ninth by Hohman and 13th

by Mike Yuhas in the 500 freestyle, a 12th from diver Mike Brigenberg, and 13th and 15th places, respectively, by Hoelze and White in the 100 backstroke.

Taylor Waggoner swam a 1:00.09 for second in the girls' 100 butterfly.

"A great finish for this time in the season," said Moran. "She just missed first by three-tenths of a second. Her (individual medley) is coming along, too."

Waggoner was sixth with a 2:20.13, in a very tight IM, with just two seconds separating first and sixth.

Also getting sixth was diver Jordyn Gallagher.

"Gallagher took 153.05 points, and the Findlay diver had 153.20. It doesn't get much closer than that," said Moran.

Danielle Minier also made the championship heat in the 100 breaststroke, finishing sixth overall. Christy Meggitt and Courtney Gabel were 11th and 12th in the 100 freestyle consolation heat.

Top finishes in the relays boosted the Little Giants team total. Gabel, Meggitt, Waggoner and Sammi Miller took third in the 200 freestyle relay, just beating out rival Findlay, 1:46.59 to 1:47.23. Waggoner, Gabel, Meggitt and Minier went 1:58.89 for third, missing second by just half a second.

The Little Giants swim Tuesday at home against Sandusky Perkins.

Ross alumni swimmers are invited to come the home event on Tuesday, Dec. 30, when they will be recognized prior to the meet.

SJCC swimmers set three new school records during the girls meet.

Jenna Swint's time of 1:26.06 is a new mark for Crimson Streaks in the 100 breaststroke.

Ashley Overmyer had a time of 1:02.63 in 100 freestyle for a new SJCC record.

Swint and Overmyer combined with Joy Risner and Emily Ronski to establish a new Crimson Streaks' mark in the 200 freestyle relay (1:54.21).

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**Editor's Note:** The rest of the SJCC results can be found in The Scoreboard on this page.

DAN H. LEASE LITTLE GIANTS SWIMMING AND DIVING INVITATIONAL

# Records shattered during pool races



Photos by Doug Hise/News-Messenger correspondent

**FREMONT ROSS SWIMMER DEXTER FOOS** competes during the championship heat of the 200 individual medley at the Dan H. Lease Little Giants Swimming and Diving Invitational on Saturday at the Fremont Ross Natatorium.

## Willets breaks Fahrbach's mark in backstroke

By JEFF ARENZ  
Sports Writer

**FREMONT** — Six meet and four pool records fell Saturday during the Dan H. Lease Little Giants Swimming and Diving Invitational at the Fremont Ross High School Natatorium.

Toledo St. Francis De Sales' Roman Willets and Bowling Green's Kelly Titus accounted for eight of those marks, while Sandusky Perkins' Jimmy Chapman and Bowling Green's Jamie Akenberger each broke a record.

Willets, a Michigan recruit, established meet and pool marks in the 200 freestyle (1:41.71) and the 100 backstroke (52.63 seconds). The latter record was previously held by former Ross and current Ohio State swimmer Lincoln Fahrbach, who is a close friend of Willets.

"He's a great swimmer and he has seven or eight records up there (on the



**OAK HARBOR SWIMMER OLIVIA PORTER** competes during the championship heat of the 400 freestyle relay on Saturday. The Rockets placed second in the event.

Fremont Ross swimming leader board," said Willets, who was named the meet's Top Male Swimmer. "It's a great honor, and he's a great friend of mine. It's something we can kid around about."

Willets scored 130 individual points in the 200 freestyle. The meet's Top

mont Ross Natatorium in a ceremony before the start of the final round.

One year from now, when Willets attends Michigan, he could possibly face Fahrbach again at the NCAA Division I level.

"It's going to be a lot of fun," Willets said. "I look forward to racing against him."

Willets helped St. Francis De Sales to a boys team championship 825-512 against runner-up Toledo St. John's Jesuit. With 313 points, Fremont Ross was fourth, and, with 68½ points, Oak Harbor was 15th.

Titus swam to meet and pool records in the 200 individual medley (2:07.97) and the 100 breaststroke (1:07.01). Her teammate, Akenberger, established a meet mark in the 200 freestyle (1:56.87). Chapman earned a meet record in the 100 butterfly (52.34 seconds).

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Lucas, Bailey Laban and a pair of relay teams (200 medley and 400 freestyle) pushed Lima Shawnee to a 456-391 girls team championship win against Sandusky Perkins. Fremont scored 260 points for fifth, while Oak Harbor had 238 points for seventh. St. Joseph Central Catholic scored 4 points for 21st place.

Ross's Taylor Waggoner needed 59.43 seconds to win the 100 butterfly. It was the Little Giants' best finish in the girls portion of the meet.

"The kids swam really well for being tired," Little Giants coach Phil Moran said. "We had a short day off with New Year's, and they did the hardest set (in practice) they have ever done the day before."

Oak Harbor's top finish came in the 400 freestyle relay, where the Rockets ended up second to Shawnee 3:46.75-3:52.14. Allie Reynolds added a fifth-place effort in the 100 freestyle (56.14 seconds) and a sixth-place swim in the 200 freestyle (2:02.81).

"We had a couple surprise swims from Allie Reynolds, who shaved some time off her 100 and 200 splits," Oak Harbor coach Andrea Sorg said. "Our relays did quite well because we held our own in each race."

In the boys meet, Ross's Jordan Beck won the 50 freestyle in 22.2 seconds, finishing 1.03 seconds ahead of St. Francis De Sales' Dan DiSalle. Beck, Brian Hoelzle, Dexter Foos and Kyle Wasserman combined to swim to a third-place effort in the 400



Doug Hise/News-Messenger correspondent

**FREMONT ROSS SWIMMER TAYLOR WAGGONER** competes during the championship heat of the 100 butterfly at the Dan H. Lease Little Giants Swimming and Diving Invitational on Saturday at the Fremont Ross Natatorium. Waggoner won the race in 59.43 seconds.

freestyle relay (3:22.89), while Alex Hoffman added third-place performance in the 100 freestyle (50.96 seconds).

"We definitely are a finals team," Moran said. "The kids really stepped up. The younger kids had some really good morning swims. The older kids didn't

swim so well in the morning, but they turned it up for finals."

Oak Harbor's 200 freestyle relay team was ninth in 1:38.61. The Rockets' Bryan Winters finished 10th in the 500 freestyle in 5:23.21.

"Our relay times were faster than what they have previously

been," Sorg said. "Other than that, we didn't have a lot of time drops because we've been working so hard during Christmas break. This was a kind of 'let's see where we're at' meet."

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# Swimming

## High School Boys

Dan H. Lease  
Little Giants Invitational  
At Fremont Ross Natatorium

### Team Scores

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Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 512. 3, Sandusky Perkins, 338. 4, Fremont Ross, 313. 5, Lima Shawnee, 251. 6, Tiffin Columbian, 160. 7, Sylvania Northview, 133. 8, Findlay, 120. 9, St. Mary Central Catholic, 116.5. 10, Bowling Green, 108. 11, Celina, 104. 12, Van Wert, 101. 13, Lewis Center Olentangy, 99.5. 14, Ottawa-Glandorf, 94.5. 15, Oak Harbor, 68.5. 16, Sylvania Southview, 65. 17, Eastwood, 35. 18, Anthony Wayne, 24. 19, Lyndhurst Brush, 23. 20, Maumee, 3. 21, Maumee Valley Country Day, 1. 22, (tie) Lake, Oregon Clay, Perrysburg, SJCC, Swanton, Toledo Bowsher, Toledo Start, Toledo Whitmer 0.

### 200 Medley Relay

(Championship Heat) 1, Sandusky Perkins 'A' (Spence, Alex, Harris, Jonathan, Ebert, Kevin, Lamarcia, Kyle), 1:40.22. 2, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'A' 1:42.34. 3, Saint John's Jesuit 'A' 1:45.03. 4, Tiffin Columbian 'A' 1:46.80. 5, Lima Shawnee 'A' 1:47.29. 6, Fremont Ross 'A' 1:48.28. 7, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:48.79. 8, St. Mary Central Catholic 'A' 1:48.85. 9, Sandusky Perkins 'B' 1:51.62. (Consolation Heat) 11, Saint John's Jesuit 'B' 1:49.51. 12, Sylvania Northview 'A' 1:51.51. 13, Celina 'A' 1:51.72. 14, Bowling Green 'A' 1:53.13. 15, Ottawa-Glandorf 'A' 1:53.31. 16, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'C' 1:53.51. 17, Sylvania Southview 'A' 1:55.85. 18, Saint John's Jesuit 'C' 1:57.07. 19, Fremont Ross 'B' 2:00.66. 20, Maumee 'A' 2:04.60.

### 200 Freestyle

(Championship Heat) 1, Willets, Roman, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 1:41.71 (new record), 2, Mulvin, Michael, Sandusky Perkins, 1:48.54. 3, Miller, Dan, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 1:49.80. 4, DiSalle, Michael, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 1:51.11. 5, Satornino, Trevor, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 1:53.47. 6, Easley, Brian, VW Cougars, 1:53.70. 7, Diltz, Zachary, Lima Shawnee, 1:53.96. 8, Vidovich, John, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 1:55.34. 9, Herman, Connor, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 1:55.76. 10, Carmony, Nick, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 1:57.36. (Consolation Heat) 11, Parekh, Kavin, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 1:56.25. 12, Borgman, Adam, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 1:56.64. 13, Ellis, Johnny, Lima Shawnee, 1:57.42. 14, Spang, Ben, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 1:57.57. 15, Burchfield, Will, Van Wert, 1:57.65. 16, Kreinbrink, Ben, Ottawa-Glandorf, 1:58.78. 17, Yuhas, Michael, Fremont Ross, 2:00.07. 18, Winters, Bryan, Oak Harbor, 2:00.16. 19, Hatch, Justin, Bowling Green, 2:00.75. 20, Kaplan, Michael, Lyndhurst Brush, 2:03.51.

### 200 Individual Medley

(Championship Heat) 1, Waldock, Chris, Sandusky Perkins, 2:01.32. 2, Gallagher, Michael, St. Mary Central Catholic, 2:03.12. 3, Koch, Michael, Sandusky Perkins, 2:04.42. 4, Pierson, Lorin, Bowling Green, 2:04.95. 5, Katich, Joe, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 2:09.47. 6, Yeung, Aaron, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 2:09.91. 7, Diltz, Garrett, Lima Shawnee, 2:12.27. 8, Smale, Adam, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 2:14.64. 9, Harris, Jonathan, Sandusky Perkins, 2:15.16. 10, Barone, Phil, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 2:16.41. (Consolation Heat) 11, Foos, Dexter, Fremont Ross, 2:09.76. 12, MacDonald, D.J., Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 2:11.12. 13, Wasserman, Kyle, Fremont Ross, 2:15.32. 14, Magginis, Billy, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 2:17.13. 15, Tamburrino, Ryan, St. Mary Central Catholic, 2:17.66. 16, McClurg, Zach, Sylvania Northview, 2:18.63. 17, McManus, Sean, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 2:20.31. 18, McKirnan, Jay, Celina, 2:22.09. 19, Bradfield, David, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 2:24.03. 20, Smith, Riley, Celina, 2:25.28.

### 50 Freestyle

(Championship Heat) 1, Beck, Jordan,

Fremont Ross, 22.20. 2, Hobie, Peter, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 23.03. 3, Vondran, Josh, Lima Shawnee, 23.18. 4, Marshall, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 23.20. 5, Hiltz, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 23.30. 6, John's Jesuit, 23.47. 7, Ward, Michael, Sylvania Southview, 23.87. 8, Eberle, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 24.16. 9, Hoezel, Brian, Fremont Ross, 24.28. 10, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 24.30. 11, Fidrichson, Dugur, Lewis Center Olentangy, 24.11. 12, VanDyne, Steven, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 24.19. 13, Kroll, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 24.34. 10, Knape, Doug, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 24.85. 14, Stahl, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 25.00. 15, Rechman, Aaron, Oak Harbor, 24.90. 16, Shaffer, Jonathan, Findlay, 24.95. 17, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 24.98. 18, Christiansen, Peter, Jonathan, Van Wert, 25.02. 19, Kardner, Evan, Celina, 25.24.

**100 Buttefly**  
(Championship Heat) 1, Chmelik, Michael, Fremont Ross, 56.85. 2, Vondran, Josh, Lima Shawnee, 57.34 (new record). 2, Koch, Michael, Sandusky Perkins, 58.18. 3, Satornino, Trevor, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 58.20. 4, Johnson, Matthew, Kyle, Fremont Ross, 58.65. 5, Huether, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 58.86. 6, Breitgrom, Jordan, Bowling Green, 59.28. 7, Johnson, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 59.77. 8, Hiltz, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 59.81. 9, Delp, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 60.02. 10, Crawford, Kyle, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 60.03. 11, Kroll, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 59.23. 12, Cordero, Mike, Sylvania Southview, 59.38. 13, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 59.42. 14, White, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 59.45. 15, Celia, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 59.57. 16, Ebert, Kevin, Sandusky Perkins, 1:02.00. 17, Burdette, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 1:02.18. 18, Hohman, Tommy, Fremont Ross, 1:02.20. 19, Johnson, Matt, Ottawa-Glandorf, 1:03.27. 20, Alexander, Michael, St. Mary Central Catholic, 1:03.91. 19, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 1:04.00. 20, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 1:04.07.

**500 Freestyle**  
(Championship Heat) 1, Katich, Joe, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 5:00.82. 2, DiSalle, Dan, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 5:01.00. 3, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 50.79.3. 4, Hoffman, Alex, Fremont Ross, 5:01.10. 5, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 51.20. 6, Diltz, Zachary, Lima Shawnee, 5:01.20. 7, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.05. 8, Kaplan, Michael, Sandusky Perkins, 5:02.06. 9, Burdette, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 5:02.10. 10, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.13. 11, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.17. 12, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.18. 13, Hatch, Justin, Bowling Green, 5:02.20. 14, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.15. 15, Miller, Chris, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 5:02.20. 16, Koch, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.23. 17, Herold, Mitch, Lima Shawnee, 5:02.18. 18, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 55.00. 19, VanDyne, Steven, Lima Shawnee, 55.20. 20, Stark, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 55.20.

**500 Freestyle Relay**  
(Championship Heat) 1, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'A' (DiSalle, Dan, Johnson, Matt, Johnson, Matt, Johnson, Rowan), 128.96 (new record). 2, Fremont Ross High School 'A' 1:31.75. 3, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'C' (Hiltz, Michael, Satornino, Trevor, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 5:00.99.5, Borgman, Adam, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:01.10. 4, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 5:02.00.5, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.10. 5, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.20. 6, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.25. 7, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.30. 8, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 5:02.35. 9, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.40. 10, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.45. 11, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.50. 12, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.55. 13, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.60. 14, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.65. 15, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.70. 16, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.75. 17, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.80. 18, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.85. 19, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.90. 20, Toledo St. John's Jesuit, 5:02.95.

**100 Backstroke**  
(Championship Heat) 1, Willets, Roman, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 52.63 (new record). 2, Chapman, Jimmy, Sandusky Perkins, 53.00. 3, Johnson, Sam, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 4, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 5, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 6, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 7, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 8, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 9, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 10, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 11, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 12, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 13, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 14, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 15, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 16, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 17, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 18, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 19, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 20, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00.

**100 Breaststroke**  
(Championship Heat) 1, Willets, Roman, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 52.63 (new record). 2, Chapman, Jimmy, Sandusky Perkins, 53.00. 3, Johnson, Sam, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 4, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 5, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 6, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 7, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 8, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 9, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 10, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 11, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 12, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 13, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 14, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 15, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 16, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 17, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 18, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 19, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00. 20, Johnson, Matt, Toledo St. Francis De Sales, 53.00.

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(Championship Heat) 1, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'A' (DiSalle, Dan, Johnson, Matt, Johnson, Matt, Johnson, Rowan), 128.96 (new record). 2, Fremont Ross High School 'A' 1:31.75. 3, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'C' 1:40.46. (Consolation Heat) 1, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.73. 2, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 3, Saint John's Jesuit 'B' 1:37.84. 4, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 5, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 6, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 7, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 8, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 9, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 10, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 11, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 12, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 13, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 14, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 15, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 16, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 17, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 18, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 19, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 20, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84.

**400 Freestyle Relay**  
(Championship Heat) 1, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'A' (DiSalle, Dan, Johnson, Matt, Johnson, Matt, Johnson, Rowan), 128.96 (new record). 2, Fremont Ross High School 'A' 1:31.75. 3, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'C' 1:40.46. (Consolation Heat) 1, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.73. 2, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 3, Saint John's Jesuit 'B' 1:37.84. 4, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 5, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 6, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 7, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 8, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 9, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 10, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 11, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 12, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 13, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 14, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 15, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 16, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 17, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 18, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 19, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84. 20, Toledo St. Francis De Sales 'B' 1:37.84.



HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING

## Relaxed setting at Gipe Port Clinton Relays

Coaches, swimmers like unusual meet at PCHS

By JEFF ARENZ  
Sports Writer

PORT CLINTON — With district swimming and diving meets upcoming, three area boys and girls teams participated in the 41st Ken Gipe Port Clinton High School Relays on Saturday.

The Ken Gipe Port Clinton Relays are a set of unconventional competitive events that area coaches as the last preparation for Saturday's district meets. All 16 events are contested in the form of relays.

"I think our kids were successful

because they had no pressure," said Port Clinton Dan Diaz, whose girls and boys 200-yard medley relay teams finished first and second, respectively. "When you don't have any pressure on you, it's all about swimming fast and having fun. It was exciting to see. This is one last fun meet for the kids to get the jitters out of their systems before districts."

The Redskins' team of Nikki Twarek, MacKenzie Stewart, Katelyn Zam and Erin Smith needed 1:57.47 to complete the girls 200 medley relay. Their time was 2.34 seconds off the meet record of 1:55.13 set by Oak Harbor in 1999.

About 1.4 seconds separated Toledo St. John's Jesuit from the Port Clin-

ton boys' 200 medley relay team (David Allen, Josh Scott, Daniel Stewart and Christian Raff) 1:46.98-1:48.38.

St. John's Jesuit edged Lewis Center Olentangy 76-72 to win the boys team championship. Olentangy is coached by Steve Gipe, a Port Clinton native who is the son of longtime Redskins' swimming coach Ken Gipe.

"I've been coming to this meet since I was 5 years old," said Steve Gipe, who has been coaching at Olentangy for six years. "Having my dad to lean on for advice is invaluable. I've learned some of the strategies of competing in a meet like this. You have to spread some things out and



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**FREMONT ROSS SWIMMER DANIELLE MINIER** competes in the 200 yard butterfly-breaststroke relay at the Ken Gipe Port Clinton Relays on Saturday at Port Clinton High School.

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attack where you can."

The Titans edged the Braves by securing 10 points in the boys diving competition. St. John's Jesuit narrowly edged Olentangy 8:18.02-8:18.23 in the 850 crescendo relay and 1:53.81-1:58.18 in the 200 butterfly-breaststroke relay. Olentangy won the 200 backstroke relay, the 300 individual medley relay and the 200 underwater relay.

Fremont Ross tied North Robinson Colonel Crawford for third place with 36 points. The rest of the standings included Sandusky (32), Oak Harbor (26), Onatrio (24), Port Clinton (20), Ayersville (6) and Huron (4).

"We qualified (for the finals) in every relay today," Steve Gipe said. "Since we don't have any divers, we have to qualify in every swimming relay. And this is the first time in the eight years we have been coming to this meet that we have done that."

Toledo Notre Dame won the girls team title over Oak Harbor 78-52. Fremont Ross was third with 46 points, followed by Ontario (42), Sandusky (36), Port Clinton (30), Olentangy (26), Colonel Crawford (20) and Huron (4).

The Rockets were led by their girls' 850 crescendo and 200 underwater relay teams, both of which claimed first place.

Felisha Lazenby, Tahea Heisenberg, Katie Bechtel and Allie Reynolds used 9:06.28 to win the 850 crescendo relay, while Jenna Diekman, Olivia Porter, Danielle Franck and Samantha Reynolds needed 2:02.33 to capture the 200 underwater relay.

"The girls were excited because they had great splits," Oak Harbor coach Andrea Sorg said. "We actually won the underwater event last year because some of the same girls were on (the team). That's a fun one to stack because it's such an unusual event. The kids fight over who gets to swim in it because they all love it."

Bechtel, Allie Reynolds and Brielle Hanthorn combined for a second-place effort in the 300 individual medley relay in 3:27.89.

The Little Giants were almost a split-second faster than Toledo Notre Dame

in the girls 200 butterfly-breaststroke relay 2:08.07-2:09.00. Julie Overmyer, Danielle Minier, Courtney Gabel and Taylor Waggoner secured the first-place finish for Fremont Ross.

"It's an odd event," Little Giants coach Phil Moran said of the 200 butterfly-breaststroke relay. "Danielle really came through for us by having a 33-second split during her leg. She swam a split like that in the first meet this season, and hasn't been close since. So, it's nice to get her back to that time. It should give her some confidence."

Ross was second in both the boys and girls 200 backstroke relay.

Olentangy swam to a meet record against the Little Giants' Dexter Foos, Erick White, Eric Yuhas and Harry Dorobeck in the boys event 1:45.08-1:50.19. The Braves broke Ross's mark of 1:46.63 set at the Gipe Relays last season. Notre Dame was 2.71 seconds faster than the Little Giants' Alyssa Moyer, Cadie Fisher, Christy Meggitt and Sammi Miller in the girls event 2:04.13-2:06.84.

"We've really been working on our kickouts, and all of those kids had nice kickouts under the water," Moran said. "That really helps, especially at the turns. We had really great finishes across the board."

Foos, Jordan Beck, Alex Hoffman and Kyle Wasserman added a second-place performance in the 400 freestyle relay in 3:24.75. Toledo Notre Dame held off Sandusky in the girls 400 freestyle relay.

Fremont native Trevor Satornino helped St. John's Jesuit win the 200 butterfly-breaststroke relay 1:55.79-1:59.13 by swimming the third leg. The Titans bested Port Clinton's Allen, A.J. Boisoneault, Michael Long and Daniel Stewart.

"Our season has been great," said Satornino, who has been a part of St. John's Jesuit undefeated 12-0 dual meet team this season. "It's the first time in school history we've done that."

This year, Satornino has competed in the 100 butterfly, 200 freestyle and 200 medley relay.

"I've had some great swims in the 100 butterfly with some times around 56 seconds. But the 200 freestyle is beginning to stand out for me."

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# **Swimming**

## **High School Boys**

### **Ken Gipe Relays**

#### **Team Standings**

1. St. John's Jesuit .....	76
2. Lewis Center Olentangy .....	72
3. Colonel Crawford.....	36
4. Ross .....	36
5. Sandusky .....	32
6. Oak Harbor.....	26
7. Ontario High School .....	24
8. Port Clinton .....	20
9. Ayersville .....	6
10. Huron .....	4

#### **Winner and Local Results**

##### **Diving**

1. Adam Andryc, Oak Harbor, 234.30 points

##### **850 Crescendo Relay**

1. St. John "A" (Ben Fudge, John Viodovich, Kavin Parekh, Conner Herman) 8:18.02; 3. Ross "A" (Michael Yuhas, Tom-

## High School Girls

### Ken Gipe Relays

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9. Huron.....	4

#### Winner and Local Results

##### 850 Crescendo Relay

1. Oak Harbor "A"(Felisha Lazenby, Tabea Heisenberg, Katie Bechtel, Allie Reynolds) 9:06.28; 3. Ross "A"(Ellen Defrance, Courtney Gabel, Christy Meggitt, Taylor Waggoner) 9:15.30; 4. Port Clinton "A"(Kelly Passabet, Michelle Hablitzel, Dana Ludu, Ashley Zoeller) 9:27.81.

##### 200 Fly-Breast Relay

1. St John "A" (Doug Knapke, Sean Manus, Trevor Satornino, Phil Barone) 1:53.81; 3. Port Clinton "A" (David Allen, AJ Boissoneault, Michael Long, Daniel Stewart) 2:00.15.

##### 200 Back Relay

1. Lewis Center "A" (Tim Ratcliff, Dagur Fridriksson, Tom Carpenter, Ben Bailey) 1:45.08; 2. Ross "A" (Dexter Foos, Erick Whit, Eric Yuhas, Harry Dorobeck) 1:50.19.

##### 300 IM Relay

1. Lewis Center "A" ( Eric Evan, Dagur Fridriksson, Aaron Norris) 3:00.30; 3. Ross "A" ( Michael Yuhas, Tommy Hohman, Keith Wasserman) 3:19.27.

##### 400 Free Relay

1. Sandusky "A"(Matt Zoellner, Karl Kleck, Troy Willer, Gus Everson) 3:23.41; 2. Ross "A"(Jordan Beck, Alex Hoffman, Kyle Wasserman, Dexter Foos) 3:24.75; 6. Port Clinton "A"( Christian Raff, Rob Szabo, AJ Boissoneault, Jost Scott) 3:59.59.

##### 200 Medley Relay

1. St. John "A" (Aaron Yeung, Sean Manus, Adam Smale, Ben Fudge) 1:46.98; 2. Port Clinton "A" (David Allen, Josh Scott, Daniel Stewart, Christian Raff) 1:48.38.

##### 200 Underwater-Free Relay

1. Lewis Center "A"(Cameron Shainfeld, Billy Lerrick, Craig McKenna, Quentin Bowden) 1:43.16.

##### 300 IM Relay

1. Notre Dame "A"(Annie MacKay, Kylie Dickman, Madison Katich, Lauren Duncan) 2:04.13; 2. Ross "A"( Alyssa Moyer, Cadie Fisher, Christy Meggitt, Sammi Miller) 2:06.84.

##### 400 Free Relay

1. Notre Dame "A"( Olivia Barone, Kristin Long, Rachael Dzierzak) 3:22.88; 2. Oak Harbor "A"(Allie Reynolds, Katie Bechtel, Brielle Hanthorn) 3:27.89; 3. Ross "A"(Alyssa Moyer, Danielle Minier, Cadie Fisher) 3:38.49; 6. Port Clinton "A" ( Jessica Rodwancy, Jessica Schroeder, Marcy Lindsley) 3:56.84.

##### 200 Medley Relay

1. Port Clinton "A" ( Nikki Twarek, MacKenzie Stewart, Katelyn Zam, Erin Smith) 1:56.73; 6. Oak Harbor "A"(Christie Andryc, Lindsay Cochran, Megan Cervantes, Andrea Behm) 2:17.41.

##### 200 Underwater-Free Relay

1. Oak Harbor "A"(Jenna Diekman, Olivia Porter, Danielle Franck, Samantha Reynolds) 2:02.33; 6. Ross "A" 2:27.95.

