

2008 Season Review...

Hoelzer shoots 73 to lead Little Giants at Swanton

Brandon Hoelzer led the Fremont Ross golf team with a 73 at the Swanton Bulldog Invitational at Valleywood Golf Course.

The Little Giants finished second with 310 to Anthony Wayne, which won the tournament with 298.

"Our young players stepped up and posted some good scores," said golf coach Nick Rider. "I believe that we are starting to come together as a team, and we are getting more confidence from all of our players, when it comes to their capabilities."

Alex Chudzinski shot 78 for Ross, followed by Ian Mowry's 79, Clay Schwartz's 80, Austin Darr's 81 and Dexter Foos's 82.

HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

Ross fourth at invite

By MATT MILLS

News-Messenger correspondent

FREMONT — On a day when the weather was just about perfect for golf, with temperatures in the mid-70's and not very windy, the scores weren't what a lot of golfers at the Fremont Invitational were expecting.

There was a common sentiment echoed throughout Fremont Country Club: The course conditions were extremely tough.

"There's tough conditions out there," said Gibsonburg coach Tom Hiser. "The greens are lightning fast."

Mansfield Madison's first-year coach, Tammy Hammett said, "From what I understand, the greens are pretty tough."

The host Little Giants finished fourth out of 10 teams, led by freshman Brandon Hoelzer who carded an 83. Austin Darr and Alex Chudzinski each shot 86.

"It was rough out there, nice and dry," Darr said. "The greens weren't holding anything. In order to score well on a course playing this tough you have to make good swings and I didn't do that."

Ian Mowery shot 89 for Ross.

"I could've done better — a lot better actually," Mowery said. "I couldn't hit a straight ball, couldn't hit a fairway, overall it was a tough day."

Bellevue placed fifth, led by Tayler Radloff who shot 82. Justin Schultz finished with an 87, Evan Radloff shot an 88 and Cory Marvin carded an 89.

"It was rough, a little windy early on and the greens were very, very fast," Evan Radloff said.

Evan sank a 55-foot putt for birdie on 13 and said that was without a doubt the highlight of his round.

Gibsonburg didn't shoot

as well as they would have liked and finished sixth. Jared Shafer recorded a pretty impressive 81 on a day when only a handful of golfers shot in the 70's. Also scoring for Gibsonburg was Austin Shafer who scored 90, Nick Delventhal with a 91 and Gary Green carded a 94.

Lexington just narrowly edged out Genoa by two strokes with a score of 332 to 334. Perrysburg won the invitational by a fairly large margin with a score of 319. The Yellow Jackets were led by Mitch Blumberg who fired a 78 and Dan Lopez who shot a 79.

"I played pretty well given the conditions and considering this was the first time I have ever played this course," Lopez said. "I just tried to hit a lot of greens in regulation, two-putt and get out of there with par and I did that for the most part."

FREMONT ROSS

Coach: Nick Rider, 1st year
2007 Record: 1-12 overall, 5th in GBC

Key losses: Victoria Aseltine, four varsity letters

Key returners: Austin Darr, sr., three letters; Zach Kiser, sr., one letter; Chase Wilhelm, sr., one letter; ^N Dexter Foos, jr., one letter.

Key newcomers: Alex Chudzinski, sr., transfer from SJCC; Brandon Hoelzer, fr.; Clay Schwartz, fr.; Ian Mowery, fr.

Outlook: Darr emerging as leader of Little Giants ... Rider described him a golfer with a positive attitude who sets a good example ... Darr shot a 37 at Greater Buckeye Conference Championship to make All-GBC First Team ... The only Ross dual-meet win came against Gibsonburg in final regular-season match ... Key matches come against Napoleon, Sandusky, Marion Harding and Findlay, who are GBC and district opponents ... Rider said, "I'm looking for a giant turnaround. After winning only one match last season, it can't much worse. This team is starting to learn how to be competitive, to win matches and to get all of its players shooting well on the same days. We have some very promising freshmen players, who could make a solid team by stepping up with consistent play. The upperclassmen need to set the bar and challenge them to do well because it will make us a stronger team."

HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

Ross beats SJCC

By MATT MILLS
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FREMONT — Oh, what a difference two days can make.

On Monday, Fremont Ross freshman Clay Schwartz shot a 93 at the Fremont Invitational. Wednesday, he led the Little Giants' golf team to a victory over cross-town rival St. Joseph Central Catholic, 325-334.

Schwartz carded a 78 at the Fremont Country Club.

"I played pretty good. I had a lot of decent shots," he said.

Clay's improvement didn't go unnoticed by either team's coach.

"Clay played very well out there today, he had a great round," said SJCC coach Greg Kohler. "We had four decent scores, but nothing spectacular."

Also scoring for the Streaks was Max Yellstrom who carded an 83, Garrett Steinle with an 84 and Jordan Frank who shot an 80. Jordan Frank carded a 37 on the front nine of the country club, including a long par putt on the eighth hole, but that didn't carry over to the back.

"I missed two short putts on the back nine and took a triple bogey on hole 16," Frank said.

Brandon Hoelzer carded a respectable 80 for the Little Giants. Like Frank, Hoelzer also carded a 37 on the front nine, but that's not what he was focused on after his round.

"I didn't play good on the back nine," he said, referring specifically to the last six holes in which he shot six over par.

"My iron play let me down and I didn't hit very many greens in regulation," Schwartz said.

Alex Chudzinski shot an 83 and Austin Darr carded an 84.

"Our team stepped up big time and improved from just two days ago," Ross' coach Nick Rider said. "The course conditions were the same as they were on Monday and for us to improve as a team from 344 to 325 is something I definitely appreciate."

Chudzinski, Darr, Hoelzer and Schwartz all improved from their scores on Monday.

Golf

High School Boys

Fremont Ross 163, Calvert 184

Ross

Austin Darr	47
Brandon Hoelzer	41
Alex Chudzinski	43
Clay Schwartz	39
Ian Mowry	40
Dexter Foos	49
Chase Wilhelm	50 N

HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP

Four Little Giants fire 39

News-Messenger reports

Austin Darr, Brandon Hoelzer, Alex Chudzinski and Ian Maury each fired a 39 to finish one stroke off medalist honors as Fremont Ross's boys golf team topped Bucyrus and Mohawk at Seneca Hills on Tuesday.

Golf

High School Boys

Bellevue Invitational

Team Standings

1. Norwalk St. Paul	323
2. Fremont Ross.....	330
3. Genoa	334
4. Bellevue	336
5. Clyde.....	337
7. Woodmore.....	356
8. Margaretta.....	359

Ross

Aaron Darr	86
Brandon Hoelzer.....	83
Alex Chudzinski	79
Clay Schwartz.....	82
Ian Mowry	91

Genoa

Kyle Simmons.....	82
Nolan Eli	77
Kyle Evans	86
Rob Orians	90
Dustin Teneyck.....	89

Bellevue

Evan Radloff	84
Justin Schultz.....	89
Cory Marvin	79
Taylor Radloff	84
Justin Schoen	92

Clyde

Josh Driscoll 80	
Isaac DelGarbino.....	79
James Green	92
Travis Finn	93
Tyler Clouse	86

Woodmore

Andy Flick	92
Billy Blausey	89
David Jacobs	87
Jake Zollinger	109
Ian Aldridge	88

Margaretta

Adam Rice	84
Derek Kuns	80
Gavin Kuns	95
Chris Stratton.....	99
Casey Siesel.....	116

BOYS GOLF

**Fremont Ross 165,
Woodmore 173, Lakota 236**

Brandon Hoelzer fired a 38 as Fremont Ross won a non-conference triangular meet against Woodmore and Lakota.

Other Little Giants scorers included Alex Chudzinski (40), Dexter Foos (43), Austin Darr (44), Ian Mowry (48), Clay Schwartz (48), Chase Wilhelm (51) and Drew Hines (56).

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS GOLF

Little Giants beat Gibsonburg

By Matt Mills
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Austin Darr and Clay Schwartz each fired a 37 as Fremont Ross remained unbeaten with a 151-168 victory over Gibsonburg at Sycamore Hills Golf Club on Thursday.

"I putted very well after struggling early on," Darr said. "I took advantage of the holes that I had to."

Brandon Hoelzer added a 38 and Alex Chudzinski a 39 for the Little Giants (7-0).

Gibsonburg's Nick Delventhal earned medalist honors with a one-under 36.

"I birdied the par-3 fifth and that changed my whole round," said Delventhal, who pared the remaining four holes.

Jared Shafer shot a 39, Jon LaPlant a 44 and Austin Shafer a 49 for the Golden Bears (3-1). LaPlant played his first varsity match.

"I was really excited about Nick's 36 and Jon, but I can't have experienced kids shooting in the high 40s and 50s," Gibsonburg coach Tom Hiser said.

Little Giants coach Nick Rider was happy with Wednesday's results heading into Greater Buckeye Conference play.

"It's good for the kids to play an easier course and shoot some low scores to build up their confidence," he said. "A win like this combined with the low scores we shot is just what these kids needed to get their mind right going in to GBC play."

BOYS GOLF

Fremont Ross 166, Hopewell-Loudon 184, Old Fort 189

FOSTORIA — Brandon Hoelzer fired a 40 to become the medalist as Fremont Ross won a triangular meet against Hopewell-Loudon and Old Fort on Thursday at Loudon Meadows Golf Course.

In addition to Hoelzer, the Little Giants received scores from Clay Schwartz (41), Alex Chudzinski (42), Ian Mowry (43), Dexter Foos (45) and Chase Wilhelm (57).

For Old Fort, Roman Ream carded a 42, while the Stockaders picked up scores from Sean McNamara (47), Luke Edgar (49), Matthew Ream (51), Austin Frankart (54) and Mason Gaietto (56).

Ross improved to 7-0 overall, while Old Fort is 5-9 this season.

Fremont Ross 153, Sandusky 184

SANDUSKY — The Little Giants improved to 10-0 in dual meets as three golfers broke 40 while Ross toppled Sandusky on Tuesday.

Austin Darr had a 37 to lead Ross, while Clay Schwartz and Alex Chudzinski added 38s for the Little Giants.

Little Giants drop GBC match to Wildcats

Austin Darr was the overall medalist, but the Fremont Ross golf team lost a Greater Buckeye Conference match to Napoleon on Wednesday, 171-167.

Darr shot a 39. Clay Schwartz carded 43, while Ian Mowry had 44, Brandon Hoelzer shot 45, Alex Chudzinski shot 47 and Dexter Foos and chase Wilhelm each shot 48.

High SchoolBoys

Fremont Ross 161, Findlay 171

Ross

Austin Darr	41
Brandon Hoelzer	38
Alex Chudzinski	43
Clay Schwartz	40
Ian Mowry	42
Dexter Foos	52
Chase Wilhelm	50

Findlay

Pete Hill	46
Sam Adams	39
Alex Fenimore	47
Ty Tweed	44
Michael Anderson	48
Danny Todd	42

records: Ross 11-1, (2-1 GBC).

