

Swimmers Finish Strong in GLAIC

The swimming and diving team at Ferris sported the return of eleven out of twelve members who went to the NCAA Division II Nationals in the 1982-1983 season, along with nine record breakers. Also returning for his seventh season was Coach Rick Kowalkoski after receiving GLIAC "Coach of the Year" honors in 1983.

With all of this experience it promised to be a successful year for the swimmers. They began the season on the right foot with consecutive first place finishes in the Motor City Invitational at Wayne State and the Raider Invitational at Grand Rapids Junior College. Senior co-captain Brian Greenlees of Grand Blanc led the Bulldogs with four victories in Grand Rapids.

Returning after the start of the new year, the swimmers quickly captured two more victories over Albion and Kalamazoo. At Albion Mark Miller of Lansing managed first place finishes in the 200-yard medley, 1000-yard freestyle relay with Bruce Benedict of Valparaiso, Indiana, and in the 400-yard freestyle with Scott Cornell of Dear-

born. Also picking up victories were sophomore Ray Gosnell of Dearborn, Mike Bouwman of Kentwood, and Brian Greenlees. Sophomore Jeff Cipic of Battle Creek qualified for the NCAA Division II Nationals during the meet on the one and three-meter dive events.

A loss to Notre Dame at the next meet was the first let down for the swimmers and divers. It occurred despite Jeff Cipic and Mark Stasevich of Gross Isle finishing first and second in the one and three-meter diving events. Brian Greenlees also fared well as he picked up two first places, one along with Bruce Benedict in the 400-yard freestyle relay. Also finishing first and second were Mark Miller and Ray Gosnell in the 100-yard freestyle and Mike Bouwman first in the 200-yard breast stroke.

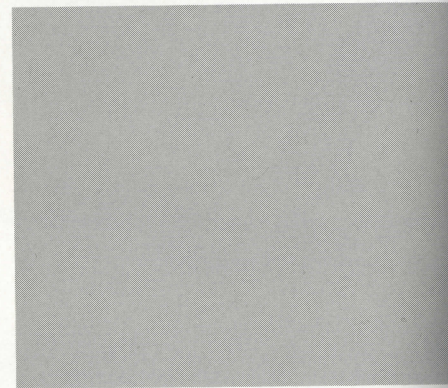
Rebounding quickly, the team grabbed victories in their next three dual meets against Grand Rapids Junior College, Wayne State and Hope College. None of the squads offered a difficult challenge for the Bulldogs, with several different team members racking up first place

finishes. At Wayne State the swimmers ended up one-two-three in four events, leading to an easy victory.

Upon traveling to Oakland University, the Bulldogs could not overcome the number one team in Division II, despite picking up six first place finishes.

The Bulldogs finished out their regular season with run-away victories over Alma, Valparaiso, and Loyola in dual meets.

An outstanding runner-up performance behind Oakland University at the GLIAC championships allowed Ferris to qualify for the NCAA Division II Nationals at Hofstra Universi-



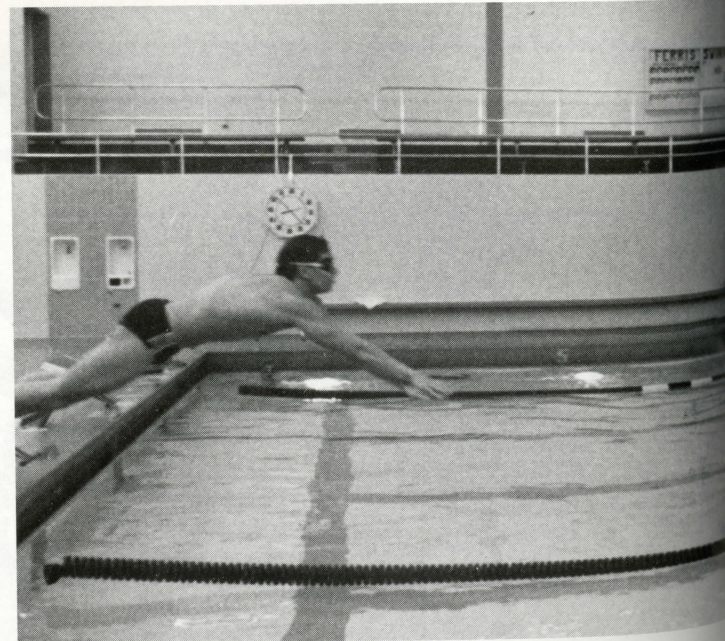
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ty in New York. Bill Reber, Mark Miller, Pat Schoff, Brian Greenlees, and Ray Gosnell combined to qualify their 400 and 800-yard freestyle teams along with diver Jeff Cipic.

At the national meet Pat Schoff, Bill Reber, Mark Miller and Brian Greenlees finished with an eleventh place finish and a school record in the 400-meter freestyle relay and qualified as All-Americans. Diver Jeff Cipic just missed All-American honors with his thirteenth place effort in the 3-meter dive. Overall Ferris finished twentieth of twenty-three teams at Hofstra.

Bulldogs	Opponent	Score
82	Albion	13
74	Kalamazoo	39
55	Notre Dame	58
82	Grand Rapids JC	29
89	Wayne State	24
63	Hope	32
47½	Oakland	64½
79	Alma	31
90	Valparaiso	15
83	Loyola	21

A. Mark Stasevich completes a high scoring 2½ reverse during competition. Mark, along with Jeff Cipic and Craig Wirtz, make up an outstanding Bulldog diving squad.
B. Mike Bouwman demonstrates his skill from the block. Mike holds the record in the 200 breaststroke and has been to nationals as a freshman.



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Front Row: Mark Stasevich, Manuel Bartush, Brad Hescheles, Brett Benedict, Chris Quada, Jeff Cipic, Ray Gosnell, Brian Miller, Dave Nicola. Row Two: Craig Wirtz, Pat Schoff, Dave Allmond, Tom Tomitch, Ed Trickle, Bill Reber, Tim Harwood, Mark Stoyka, Bob Fortney, Brian Hurley, Brian Hendrickson, Paul Dudley, Mike Bouwman, Steve Rathack, Brian Greenlees, Scott Cornell, Coach Rick Kowalkoski.