

CSU VARSITY SWIMMING RECORDS

50-yard free style	23.0 sec.	Robert Busbey, 1949
100-yard free style	50.7 sec.	Kent Kirchner, 1972
200-yard free style	1:52.3	John Butler, 1972
500-yard free style	5:11.1	John Butler, 1972
1000-yard free style	10:56.9	Kent Kirchner, 1972
1650-yard free style	18:30.2	John Butler, 1971
100-yard back stroke	57.0 sec.	Kent Kirchner, 1972
200-yard back stroke	2:02.3	Kent Kirchner, 1972
100-yard breast stroke	1:04.5	Jim Pence, 1971
200-yard breast stroke	2:19.5	Jim Pence, 1971
100-yard butterfly	55.7 sec.	John Thomas, 1972
200-yard butterfly	2:05.9	Kent Kirchner, 1972
200-yard individual medley	2:05.3	Kent Kirchner, 1972
400-yard individual medley	4:29.3	Kent Kirchner, 1972
400-yard medley relay	3:51.5	Dane Mechlin, Jim Pence, John Thomas, John Butler, 1971
400-yard free style relay	3:24.9	Kent Kirchner, John Butler, Tom Brunson, James Starrett, 1972

ELLWOOD H. FISHER POOL RECORDS

50-yard free style	22.8 sec.	Tom Craciun (Youngstown State), 1966
100-yard free style	50.7 sec.	Kent Kirchner (Cleveland State), 1972
200-yard free style	1:52.5	John Butler (Cleveland State), 1972
500-yard free style	5:21.1	John Butler (Cleveland State), 1972
1000-yard free style	10:55.0	Dave Beaks (Marshall), 1972
200-yard back stroke	2:02.3	Kent Kirchner (Cleveland State), 1972
200-yard breast stroke	2:21.4	Jim Pence (Cleveland State), 1971
200-yard butterfly	2:06.6	Art Daniels (Miami), 1972
200-yard individual medley	2:06.5	Kent Kirchner (Cleveland State), 1972
400-yard medley relay	3:52.0	Cleveland State (Kent Kirchner, Steve Bogas, John Tomas, John Butler), 1972
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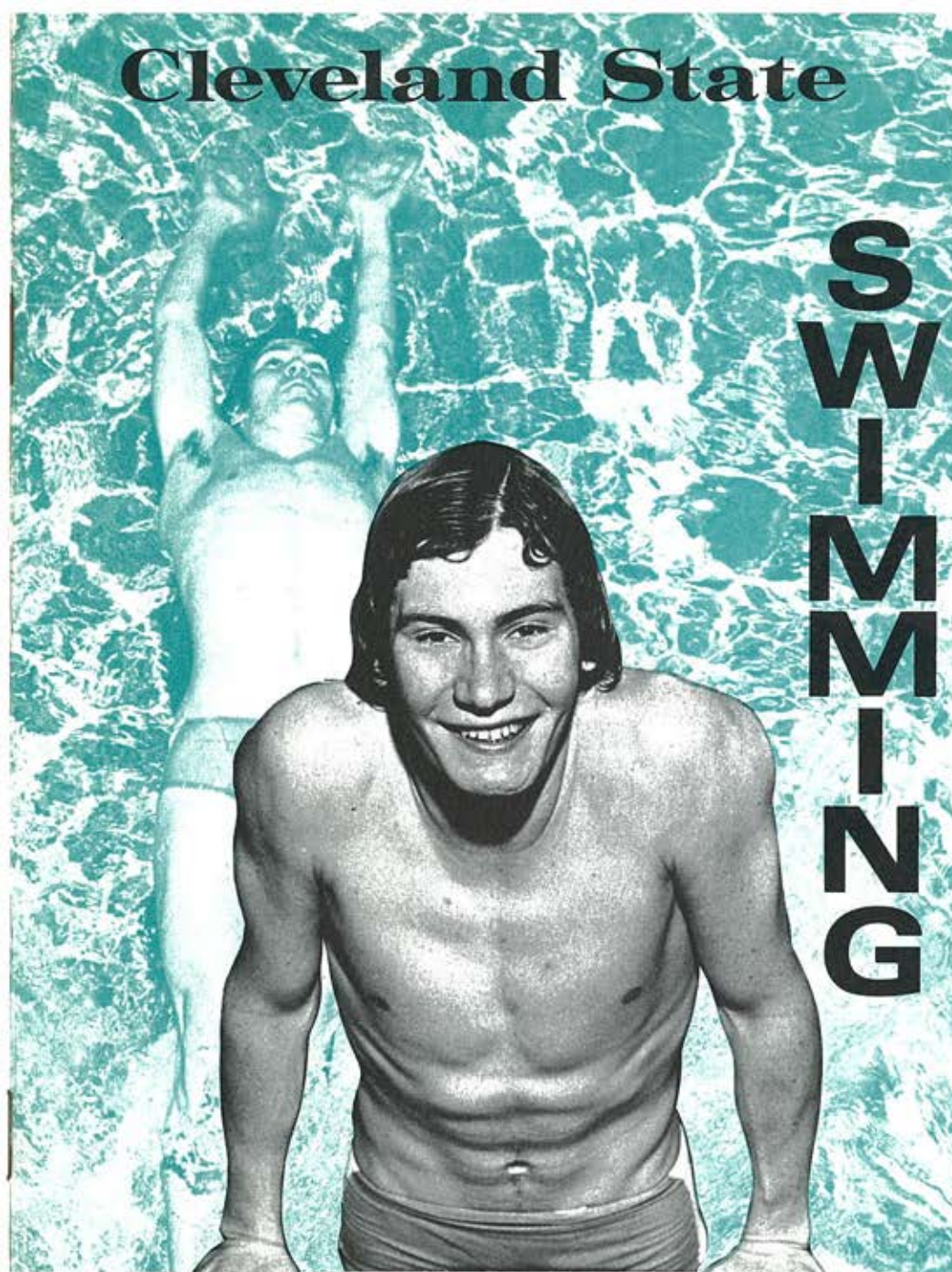
SWIMMING HONOR ROLL

The following athletes have been the recipients of the Cleveland State Alumni Athletic Association award as the university's "Outstanding Swimmer of the Year":

1962-63 Dieter Kulicke	1965-66 John Michel	1969-70 Eric Russu
1963-64 Richard Hoenes	1966-67 William Cody	1970-71 James Pence
1964-65 John Michel	1967-68 John Butler	1971-72 Kent Kirchner
	1968-69 John Butler	

Cleveland State

SWIMMING



All-American
Kent Kirchner

1972 - 73

1972-73 SWIMMING OUTLOOK

RETURNING LETTERMEN: 12

FORECAST: This is a veteran Cleveland State team, but experience doesn't pay off in swimming as often as it does in some other sports. Thus despite the 12 lettermen on hand, don't look for a repeat of last season's 10-2 record. The loss of three other lettermen is going to tip the scale downward a bit. Freshman **Mike Repas** is as versatile as the departed John Butler and will probably be better than Butler in most events (which makes him very, very good), but Repas cannot replace Butler and Tom Brunson in the distances, and the Viking freestyle strength will sag somewhat as a result. All-American **Kent Kirchner** can swim the freestyle events better than anybody on the squad—and probably better than anybody on any opponent's squad—but he can do the same in the backstroke and individual medley and butterfly, and Coach Bob Busbey's biggest problem will be deciding which three events he'd like his star sophomore to win on any given day. The Vikes have excellent depth in the backstroke with **Dane Mechlin** and **Joe Antz** likely point winners, on any given day. **John Thomas** is the best butterfly'er ever to swim here—except for Kirchner—and can also perform adequately in the freestyle sprints. **Gary Hughes**, another of several highly versatile performers on the current squad, could swim butterfly, breaststroke or I-M this season and will be a threat in any of these events, and **George Kirk** is a strong No. 2 man in either the fly or the freestyle distances. Breaststroke has been a problem since the graduation of All-American **Jim Pence**, but could be improved this season if newcomer **Rolf Jaegersen** can take over as hoped, with **Captain Steve Bogas** and Hughes battling for the second spot. The Vikes need help for veteran **Jim Starrett** in the sprints, too, and are hoping that **Bill Plymesser** can fill the bill. **Stasie Nicholaides** will win points in the I-M and distances, and **Curt Jones** won't be beaten often in diving, but more depth is needed in these events—which is the story of the Vikings' swim team this season. This is a good group of competitors, however, and don't be surprised if they pull an upset or two along the way.

OUTSTANDING VETERANS: **Steve Bogas**, team captain and three-year letterman, will swim breaststroke; **Curt Jones**, team's No. 1 diver for two seasons and rated one of best ever to perform here; **Kent Kirchner**, All-American as a frosh last year in 200-yd. backstroke and 400-yd. individual medley, holder or co-owner of eight varsity and five pool records; **Dane Mechlin**, second best backstroke in CSU swim annals; **Jim Starrett**, top Viking sprinter, anchorman on varsity and pool record-holding 400-yd. free style relay teams; **John Thomas**, varsity record holder in 100-yd. butterfly.

TOP NEWCOMERS: **Rolf Jaegersen**, transfer student could be team's best breast-stroker this winter; **Bill Plymesser**, best sprint prospect on team, must overcome effects of two-year layoff; **Mike Repas**, top freshman by far, could be one of Vikings' all-time bests in several events before graduating.

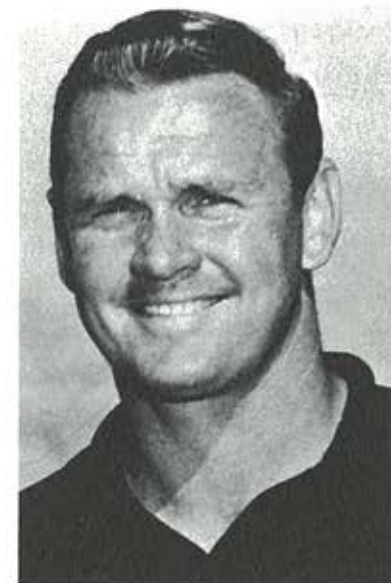
KEY LOSSES: **Tom Brunson** solid freestyler, capable of scoring well in every free event from 50 through 1,650; **John Butler**, one of finest and most versatile swimmers in Cleveland State annals, holds or shares in five varsity and four pool records, broke every CSU varsity free style mark from 100 yards up, also held backstroke, butterfly and individual medley records at one time; **Tom Hronis**, No. 2 diver, placed 7th in Penn-Ohio low board event.

THUMBNAIL GUIDE TO CSU

Location	Euclid Avenue at East 24th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44115
Enrollment	14,700
Nickname	Vikings
Colors	Forest Green & White
Conference	NCAA-Independent
Interim President	Dr. Harry K. Newburn
President-Elect	Dr. Walter B. Waetjen
Athletic Director	Robert F. Busbey
Sports Information Director	Merle Levin
Team Physician	Dr. H. Royer Collins
Head Trainer	Jack McNeeley
Student Trainer for Swimming	John Wolf
Location of Pool	Sixth Floor, Fenn Tower Bldg.
Size of Pool	25 yards, four 6-foot lanes
Athletic Department Telephone	(216) 687-3680

ROBERT F. BUSBEY

Director of Athletics
and
Head Swimming Coach



Cleveland State's energetic athletic director moves into his 26th year at his alma mater, and seventh as the head of the University's sports program, still looking toward new and exciting programs on CSU's athletic horizons. In the past two years he has seen a physical education major and the University's first new athletic facility—the Intramural Sports Center—become realities. Before another year is out he hopes to be comfortably located in the handsome new \$7,000,000 Physical Education Center, rapidly taking shape next door to his present office in the Sports Center. When the facility, expected to be one of the finest in the Midwest, opens its doors, it will mark still another memorable moment for Busbey, who has contributed an abundance of memorable moments to the athletic history of Cleveland State and its forebear, Fenn College. A product of Warren (O.) Harding High, where he captained the school's first undefeated football team, Busbey became the University's first All-American, winning his honors in swimming in 1948 in the 50 and 100-yd. free style events, and repeating in the 50-yd. free style in 1949. In all, he earned nine varsity letters at Fenn in swimming, baseball, fencing and track, a feat that's never been matched in the University's subsequent athletic history. After graduation he took over as the head swim coach in 1951 (a title he still retains) and in 1964 he was named assistant coach of the U.S. Olympic Swimming Team, the first time a Cleveland college coach had ever been chosen as an Olympic mentor. Sailing has long been a hobby of his and this past summer he added still another laurel to his collection by racing his "Moby Dick," to a national title. When Homer E. Woodling retired as the University's athletic director in July 1966 after a 37-year career, Busbey was named acting athletic director, and in July 1968, he was named athletic director. The school's athletic program has moved swiftly toward national prominence since, producing All-Americans in wrestling, swimming, soccer and track, and an NCAA College Division individual champion in track. The soccer team has won bids to three NCAA post-season tournaments and collected three Ohio championships, and the golf, cross country and wrestling teams have all finished in the top 20 in the NCAA College Division Championships in recent years. Now, with more-than-adequate indoor facilities just around the corner at last, it seems certain that Busbey will turn his attentions toward improving the University's athletic program in still other areas where room for improvement exists. It seems likely that several chapters in the Busbey Saga are yet to be written.

1972-73 SWIMMING SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
January			
9 (Tues.)	OBERLIN	CSU	7:00 p.m.
20 (Sat.)	Indiana (Pa.)	Indiana, Pa.	2:00 p.m.
27 (Sat.)	Miami (Ohio)	Oxford, O.	2:00 p.m.
February			
2 (Fri.)	FREDONIA STATE	CSU	4:00 p.m.
3 (Sat.)	AKRON	CSU	2:00 p.m.
6 (Tues.)	Baldwin-Wallace	Berea, O.	2:00 p.m.
10 (Sat.)	Youngstown State & Grove City	Youngstown, O.	2:00 p.m.
14 (Wed.)	Edinboro State	Edinboro, Pa.	4:00 p.m.
17 (Sat.)	Marshall	Huntington, W. Va.	2:00 p.m.
23 (Fri.)	ALLEGHENY	CSU	4:00 p.m.
24 (Sat.)	Case-Western Reserve	Cleveland, O.	2:00 p.m.
March			
15-16-17	NCAA College Division Championships	Detroit, Mich.	
22-23-24	NCAA University Division Championships	Knoxville, Tenn.	

HOME MEETS are held in Ellwood H. Fisher Pool,
6th Floor, Fenn Tower Building

1971-72 SWIMMING RESULTS

Miami	76—37	CSU
CSU	64—55	Oberlin
CSU	80—33	Fredonia State
CSU	75—37	Slippery Rock
CSU	77—36	Indiana, Pa.
CSU	73—39	Youngstown State
CSU	73—40	Baldwin-Wallace
CSU	68—45	Akron
CSU	79—34	Edinboro State
CSU	80—33	Case-Western Reserve
Marshall	57—56	CSU
CSU	98—15	Carnegie-Mellon

Won — 10 Lost — 2
3rd — Penn-Ohio Championships

1972-73 SWIMMING ROSTER

Coach — Robert F. Busbey

Name	Age	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown and High School
**Jbe Antz	20	6-0	175	Jr.	Berea, O. - Berea
**Steve Bogas	25	6-0	190	Sr.	South Euclid, O. - Brush
Norman Burkhardt	20	6-0	185	Jr.	Parma, O. - Padua
*Thomas Cole	19	5-11	175	So.	Euclid, O. - Euclid
Wayne Crowther	22	5-11	175	Sr.	Mayfield Hts., O. - Mayfield
Joseph Dragic	22	5-9	169	Jr.	Madison, O. - Madison
Phillip Hilbert	24	5-7	150	So.	N. Royalton, O. - N. Royalton
**Gary Hughes	20	5-8	150	Jr.	Cleveland, O. - John Marshall
Rolf Jaegersen	21	6-0	180	So.	Lakewood, O. - Lakewood
**Curt Jones	20	6-1	165	Jr.	Lakewood, O. - Lakewood
*Kent Kirchner	19	6-0	175	So.	Solon, O. - Solon
**George Kirk	21	5-10	185	Sr.	Warren, O. - Harding
*Craig Lopatka	19	6-0	175	So.	Lakewood, O. - Lakewood
**Dane Mechlin	20	5-8	170	Jr.	Cuyahoga Falls, O. - Cuy. Falls
Paul Misterka	19	5-11	155	So.	Garfield Hts., O. - Chanel
*Stasie Nicholaides	19	6-0	170	So.	Akron, O. - Firestone
William Plymesser	20	6-1	155	So.	North Olmsted, O. - Fairview
Michael Repas	18	6-0	175	Fr.	Chesterland, O. - West Geauga
**James Starrett	20	5-9	148	Jr.	Massillon, O. - Massillon
**John Thomas	20	5-8	142	Jr.	Tallmadge, O. - Garfield

Manager - Bradford Eichhorn

ROSTER BY EVENTS

Backstroke	Breaststroke	Butterfly	Diving	Freestyle	I—M
				(Sprints)	
Antz	Bogas	Hughes	Hilbert	Dragic	Jaegersen
Kirchner	Crowther	Kirchner	Jones	Lopatka	Kirchner
Lopatka	Dragic	Kirk		Plymesser	Nicholaides
Mechlin	Hughes	Nicholaides		Starrett	Repas
	Jaegersen	Repas			
		Thomas		(Distances)	
				Burkhardt	
				Cole	
				Crowther	
				Kirchner	
				Kirk	
				Mechlin	
				Misterka	
				Nicholaides	

THE LETTERMEN

Joe Antz, junior backstroker, has shown steady improvement in winning two varsity letters. Placed in Penn-Ohio's last season. Should provide points both in individual races and in the relays this year. Majoring in physical education . . . **Steve Bogas**, senior breaststroker and team captain, is only three-year letterman on squad. Ex-serviceman has proven good leader and good competitor, getting the most out of his ability. Was 8th in Penn-Ohio 100-breast in '72. He's also sports editor of The CSU Cauldron, the student newspaper. Majoring in labor relations-management . . . **Tom Cole**, sophomore freestyler, did well in distance events in freshman season last year, could be a particularly valuable point-winner this year in these events, where Vikings are seeking help . . . **Gary Hughes**, junior butterflyer breaststroker and I-M man, is seeking his third varsity letter this season. His versatility is big plus factor. Could be team's top man in breaststroke. Won Cleveland YMCA championships in 100-yd. butterfly and 200-yd. I-M, finished fifth in Ohio Y state championships in high school, where he had no varsity team on which to compete . . . **Curt Jones**, junior diver, could be recognized as CSU's all-time best low board man before he calls it a career. Finished sixth in one-meter diving in Penn-Ohio Conference meet last season, was Lake Erie League titlist at Lakewood High as prep school senior. Always strong in required dives, he's improved considerably in optional diving this year. Owns two varsity letters, has been team's No. 1 man in both his varsity seasons. Majoring in chemical engineering . . . **Kent Kirchner**, sophomore backstroker and individual medleyist, who could also appear in virtually any other event on program if needed. College Division All-American as a freshman last season, finishing third in the NCAA 200-yd. backstroke and 10th in the individual medley. Was 25-0 in dual meets. Defeated defending NCAA champion Brad McCoy of Ashland to win the 400-yd. individual medley title in the Penn-Ohio Conference meet and also won the Penn-Ohio title in 200-yd. backstroke, before suffering first collegiate loss by one-tenth second to McCoy in the 200-yd. I-M. Holds seven varsity records and shares in an eighth and owns three CSU pool records, sharing in two others. Well on his way to challenging his coach, Bob Busbey, for title of school's all-time best swimmer. Majoring in physical education . . . **George Kirk**, senior freestyler and butterflyer, returned to squad after year's absence last winter and won several important points in his specialties, placing in Penn-Ohio's in butterfly. He'll provide much needed depth in several events this winter. Owner of two varsity letters, he's an electrical engineering major . . . **Craig Lopatka**, sophomore backstroker, earned his first letter last winter. Finished sixth in district in backstroke as senior at Lakewood High. May swim some freestyle this year. Majoring in chemistry . . . **Dane Mechlin**, junior backstroker and freestyler, ranks among Vikings' best, but was overshadowed in his specialists by Kirchner's feats last season. He's a member of varsity record-holding 400-yard medley relay team and held varsity



Joe Antz



Steve Bogas



Tom Cole



Gary Hughes



Curt Jones



Kent Kirchner



George Kirk



Craig Lopatka

100- and 200-yd. backstroke records for a year. May do more in freestyle distances this year. He's almost as good there as in the backstroke, placing sixth in Penn-Ohio 1,650 and fourth in the 100-yd backstroke. Excellent competitor, he owns two varsity letters. Major is marketing . . . **Stasie Nicholaides**, sophomore freestyler and I-M man, lettered as a frosh last year after a fine career at Akron Buchtel and Firestone High Schools. He'll be a frequent competitor in the distance events this winter, may also drop down to the sprints on occasion. Majoring in psychology . . . **Jim Starrett**, junior freestyler, figures to be team's top sprinter this season, after good showing in 50, 100 and 200 last winter. Started career here as a backstroker, and was a good one, but switched to sprints last year, and anchored the team's record-breaking 400-yd. freestyle relay. Another excellent competitor, he's won a pair of letters here after starring at Massillion High. Topnotch student, carrying a 3.35 average, he's majoring in physical education . . . **John Thomas**, junior butterflyer and sprinter, can be one of Midwest's best college division swimmers in the fly this year. Was top-seeded in the Penn-Ohio 200-butterfly last year, only to be disqualified in the prelims, later took a somewhat disappointing third in the 100-fly, which may be his best race. Owns the CSU mark in that event, and also swam on the 400-yd. medley relay teams which set the varsity and pool records. Has point-getting potential in freestyle sprints too. Earned three letters at Akron Garfield High, will be seeking his third letter here this winter. Majoring in accounting.



Dane Mechlin



Stasie Nicholaides



Jim Starrett



John Thomas

THE NEW FACES

Rolf Jaegersen, talented transfer student becomes third former Lakewood High swimmer on this year's team. Earned three varsity letters in high school where he was one of area's better backstrokers, but he'll probably concentrate on breaststroke at CSU. Has times to indicate he'll be pressing for No. 1 in that event once he shakes the rust of two years of competitive inactivity. Majoring in business . . . **Bill Plymesser**, junior sprinter, is another who has rust-shaking to do, and could be a great help before season has ended. Was one of Greater Cleveland's top sprinters at Fairview High, but was ineligible during frosh season here, and elected not to compete last season. Has the ability to push Starrett for top role in 50 and 100, may also see action in 200-free. Majoring in physical education . . . **Mike Repas**, is unquestionably the best of the frosh prospects, and has the ability to join John Butler and Kent Kirchner among the ranks of CSU's top tankmen of the past decade. Qualified for the state high school meet in both the 100-yd. butterfly and the 200-yd. individual medley last winter although he had no varsity team on which to compete at West Geauga High. Like Butler and Kirchner he is highly versatile, which adds considerably to his value. Keep an eye on him.



Rolf Jaegersen



Bill Plymesser



Mike Repas