



Justin Trujillo

Boys Track & Field

Leafs at NCIC Meet at Kewanee,
Friday, May 16, 3 p.m.

Leafs host Geneseo F/S Invite,
Monday, May 9, 4:30 p.m.

Leafs at Sectionals, Friday, May
23, TBA.



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HURDLER. Aaron Borkgrén clears a hurdle in recent track action for the Leafs.

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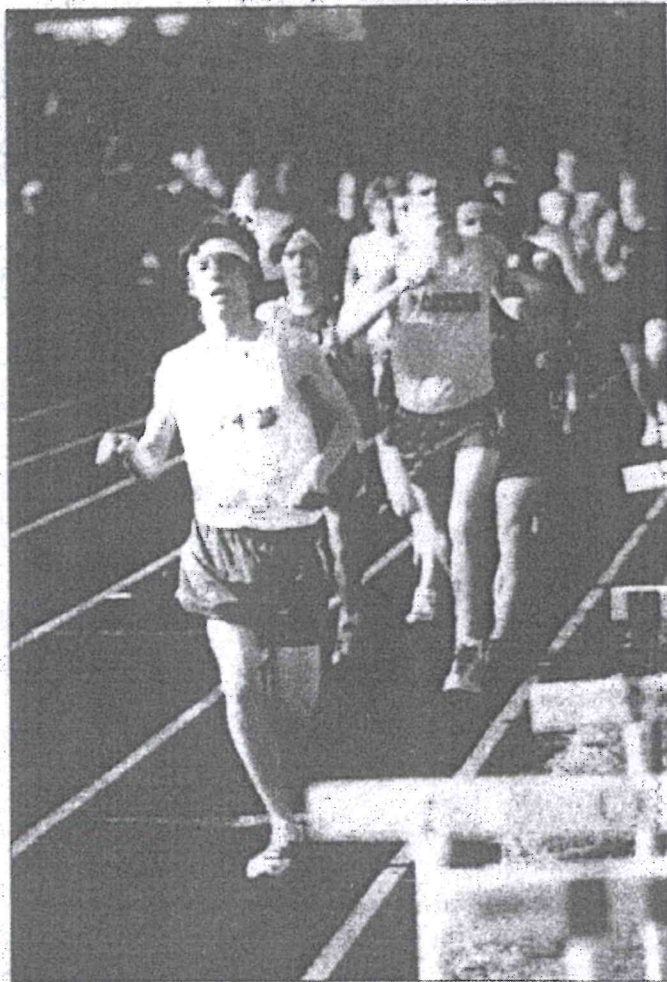
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LEAFS DUO. Geneseo's Brad Mattan and Cody Haars run for the Maple Leafs earlier this year.



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MAKING THE TURN. Geneseo's Steve Loftus takes a turn at the Sterling Indoor Invite this year.



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RUNNING HARD. Nathan Schlindwein runs for the Maple Leafs this season.



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CURT RUSSELL takes flight for the track team in the triple jump. The Leafs are at the NCIC meet tonight at 3 p.m.

Leafs take second at NCIC meet

Sterling Sectional next for boys track team

BY JASON PEAKE
Republic Sports Editor

The Geneseo varsity boy track team took second place at the NCIC meet last Friday night in Kewanee.

Dixon won the event with 129 points, while the Leafs were next with 98. Princeton was third with 68 and Rock Falls was fourth with 60 points.

"Like I told the team—we didn't lose, Dixon beat us," Coach Mel Snook said.

"We did have several season bests at conference from our kids, but Dixon had a few more," he added.

Snook added he was pleased with his team's performance at the meet.

"As it has been all year, I am not disappointed in the efforts the guys put forth. The varsity and the frosh-soph have competed with intensity all year," Snook said.

Several Leafs had top three finishes at the meet.

Kyle Fluck took first place in the 3200 with a time of 9:46.67. Fluck also finished third in the 1600 with a time of 4:37.54.

Justin Trujillo won the 800 with a time of 1:57. Trujillo also had a part in the Leafs winning 1600 relay team.

The team of Trujillo, Luke Reschke, Luke Steinkopf and Curt Russell won the race with a time of 3:29.44.

Russell was second in the long jump with a leap of 21' 06-1/4".

The junior also took third in the triple jump and fourth in the high jump.

Josh Reschke was fourth in the triple, leaping 42' 09".

Also, Kory Klemmer was second in the discus with a throw of 152' 03".

Results are listed below:

Team Scores: 1.) Dixon 129; 2.) Geneseo 98; 3.) Princeton 68; 4.) Rock Falls 60; 5.) Ottawa 42; 6.) Hall 40; 6.) Sterling 40; 8.) Kewanee 22; 8.) Rochelle 22; 10.) LaSalle-Peru 21; 11.) Streator 12; 12.) Mendota 4.

Geneseo results are listed below:

Sterling Class AA Boys Track Sectional

Site: Roscoe Eades Stadium-Dwayne Dietz Track

May 23, 2003

Field Event Prelims: 3:30 p.m.

Finals: 6:00 p.m.

Teams competing:

DeKalb, Dixon, East Moline (UT),

Freeport, Galesburg, Geneseo,

LaSalle-Peru, Maple Park (Kaneland), Moline, Morris, Ottawa (Twp.), Rochelle, Rock Island, Sterling, Streator,

Sycamore

Boys Class AA State meet is May 30-31 in Charleston.

Discus: 2.) Kory Klemmer 152' 03" (Other Geneseo athletes: Chris Springer 138' 00").

High Jump: 4.) Curt Russell 6'02" (Other Geneseo athletes: Jim Kiss 5' 08").

Long Jump: 2.) Curt Russell (Geneseo) 21' 06 1/4"; 6.) Luke Reschke 19' 08".

Pole Vault: (Geneseo athletes: Alex Henry 11' 00")

Shot Put: (Geneseo athletes: Shane Verstraete 45' 03 1/2"; Kory Klemmer 3 scratches).

Triple Jump: 3.) Curt Russell 43' 04 3/4"; 4.) Josh Reschke 42' 09".

3200 Meter Relay: 5.) Geneseo (Kyle Wayne 2:17.71, Cody Haars 2:13.18, Bill Barton 2:21.17, Steve Loftus 2:21.44) 9:13.66.

400 Meter Relay: 2.) Geneseo (Luke Steinkopf 11.88, Shaun Russell 11.00, Aaron Kuban 11.47, Luke Reschke 10.48) 44.89.

3200 Meter Run: 1.) Kyle Fluck 9:46.67; 5.) Nathan Schlindwein 10:12.94.

110 Meter High Hurdles: (Geneseo athletes: Luke Thompson DNF).

100 Meter Dash: 5.) Luke Steinkopf 11.44; 6.) Aaron Kuban 11.73.

800 Meter Run: 1.) Justin Trujillo 1:56.95; (Additional Geneseo athletes: Cody Haars 2:15.00).

800 Meter Relay: 3.) Geneseo (Shaun Russell 24.51, Aaron Kuban 23.49, Josh Reschke 25.16, Luke Steinkopf 21.22) 1:34.58.

400 Meter Dash: 2.) Luke Reschke 51.18; 6.) Jim Kiss 54.49.

300 Meter Intermediate Hurdles: (Geneseo athletes: Luke Thompson 43.63).

1600 Meter Run: 3.) Kyle Fluck 4:37.54; 6.) Justin Trujillo 4:41.37.

200 Meter Dash: (Geneseo athletes: Shaun Russell 23.28; Aaron Kuban 23.51).

1600 Meter Relay: 1.) Geneseo (Luke Reschke

52.64, Luke Steinkopf 52.96, Curt Russell 51.58, Justin Trujillo 52.19) 3:29.44.

Maple Leafs make it tough on Dixon

By Aaron Dail
Staff sports writer

KEWANEE — Looking for its fifth straight North Central Illinois Conference Championship looked like not such a sure thing for the Dixon Dukes on Friday night.

With Geneseo nipping at its heels through the entire meet, Dixon's 800 relay team anchor and third runner dropped the baton on the exchange and the relay team dropped out of points contention.

While the mishap had a few Dixon faithful biting their fingernails, the Dukes quickly answered with wins in the 400 relay, 100 meter dash, and 200 meter dash, all races Nate Davidson, the anchor leg who was part of the bad exchange, had a hand in. (129) who took the NCIC crown for what has stretched into half a decade. Geneseo fin-

ished second at 98 after seeing the runner who dropped the baton, Dixon sprinter Nate Davidson, shake off the bad exchange with a top 200 time that got his team another gold and all but sealed the deal.

Princeton (68) took third, Rock Falls (60) fourth, and Ottawa ended up fifth.

Geneseo has won just five NCIC boys track championships since the conference's formation in the 1930's, the last coming in 1992 when current head coach Mel Snook was still an assistant.

"It's tough to take second," said Snook, in his 11th season as Maple Leafs head coach. "We thought we had a shot at it. (Now) we're hoping to get a bunch of kids qualified for state next week."

Geneseo had gold medal

winners in Kyle Fluck, who took first in the 3200 with a time of 9:46.67 and third in the mile (4:37.54) and Justin Trujillo, who won the 800 with a 1:57.00 and also ran the anchor leg in the Leafs winning 1600 relay team. Joining Trujillo were Luke Reschke, Luke Steinkopf, and junior Curt Russell, who was in the top five in the long and high jumps and just missed a state worthy leap after scratching in the triple jump. All of Geneseo's winners have competed at levels in the state neighborhood.

"We had personal bests all the way down," said Dixon coach Rich Lawton, who saw a potential upset with the Leafs. "We dropped the baton in the 800 relay and that was kind of scary at the time because Geneseo was right behind us and they were the whole meet."

2003 NCIC

Varsity Results

Host Site: Kewanee

Conditions: 65 with a light wind

Team Scores: 1.) Dixon 129; 2.) Geneseo 98; 3.) Princeton 68; 4.) Rock Falls 60; 5.) Ottawa 42; 6.) Hall 40; 6.) Sterling 40; 8.) Kewanee 22; 8.) Rochelle 22; 10.) LaSalle-Peru 21; 11.) Streator 12; 12.) Mendota 4

Discus: 1.) Gridley (Rock Falls) 154' 03"; 2.) Kory Klemmer (Geneseo) 152' 03"; 3.) Jacobs (Dixon) 148' 04"; 4.) Rue (L-P) 142' 05"; 5.) Jandrey (Dixon) 141' 02" 6.) Jacobs (Rochelle) 139' 03"; (Additional Athletes: Chris Springer 138' 00")

High Jump: 1.) Kaufmann (Princeton) 6' 07"; 2.) Oquendo (Rock Falls) 6' 06"; 3.) DeBates (Dixon) 6' 04"; 4.) Curt Russell (Geneseo) 6' 02"; 5.) Bock (Dixon) 6' 02"; 6.) DeJonge (Sterling) 6' 00"; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Jim Kiss 5' 08")

Long Jump: 1.) Oquendo (Rock Falls) 22' 06 1/4"; 2.) Curt Russell (Geneseo) 21' 06 1/4"; 3.) Mardauss (Dixon) 21' 01"; 4.) Riva (L-P) 20' 04"; 5.) Moore (Princeton) 20' 11"; 6.) Luke Reschke (Geneseo) 19' 08"

Pole Vault: 1.) Mangold (Ottawa) 13' 00"; 2.) Wakely (Dixon) 12' 00"; 3.) Thompson (Hall) 12' 00"; 4.) Henkins (Kewanee) 11' 06"; 5.) Leuscke (Rock Falls) 11' 06"; 6.) Turner (Mendota) 11' 06"; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Alex Henry 11' 00")

Shot Put: 1.) West (L-P) 55' 08"; 2.) Tommon (Dixon) 54' 03"; 3.) Jacobs (Rochelle) 51' 05" 4.) Thoms (Ottawa) 49' 05 1/2"; 5.) Uzumecki (L-P) 47' 07"; 6.) Carbaugh (Sterling) 46' 09 1/2"; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Shane Verstraete 45' 03 1/2"; Kory Klemmer 3 scratches)

Triple Jump: 1.) Mardauss (Dixon) 44' 00 1/2"; 2.) Blazier (Princeton) 43' 6 1/4"; 3.) Curt Russell (Geneseo) 43' 04 3/4"; 4.) Josh Reschke (Geneseo) 42' 09"; 5.) Carolus (Sterling) 40' 07"; 6.) Vercimak (Mendota) 40' 04"

3200 Meter Relay: 1.) Dixon (Setchell, Ross, Johnson, Bond) 8:13.07; 2.) Sterling 8:16.49; 3.) Kewanee 8:32.78; 4.) Princeton 8:33.59; 5.) Geneseo (Kyle Wayne 2:17.71, Cody Haars 2:13.18, Bill Barton 2:21.17, Steve Loftus 2:21.44) 9:13.66 6.) Rochelle 9:28.91

400 Meter Relay: 1.) Dixon (Wakely, Bock, Mardauss, Davidson) 43.94; 2.) Geneseo (Luke Steinkopf 11.88, Shaun Russell 11.00, Aaron Kuban 11.47, Luke Reschke 10.48) 44.89; 3.) Princeton 45.50; 4.) Kewanee 45.60; 5.) Sterling 45.86; 6.) Mendota 46.82

3200 Meter Run: 1.) Kyle Fluck (Geneseo) 9:46.67; 2.) Jacobson (Rochelle) 9:57.47; 3.) Clark (Dixon) 10:07.53; 4.) Huebner (Ottawa) 10:11.17; 5.) Nathan Schlindwein (Geneseo) 10:12.94; 6.) Wade (Dixon) 10:32.64

110 Meter High Hurdles: 1.) K. Wolf (Princeton) 15.41; 2.) Smith (Ottawa) 15.48; 3.) DeBates (Dixon) 16.15; 4.) L. Wolf (Princeton) 16.62; 5.) Hansted (Ottawa) 16.73; 6.) Doddroe (Kewanee) 16.79 (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Luke Thompson DNF)

100 Meter Dash: 1.) Davidson (Dixon) 10.55; 2.) Oquendo (Rock Falls) 10.86; 3.) Moton (Streator) 11.02; 4.) Thomas (Hall) 11.24; 5.) Luke Steinkopf (Geneseo) 11.44 (11.40p); 6.) Aaron Kuban (Geneseo) 11.73 (11.60p)

800 Meter Run: 1.) Justin Trujillo (Geneseo) 1:56.95; 2.) Flaherty (Ottawa) 1:58.35; 3.) Martin (Rock Falls) 1:58.93; 4.) Bond (Dixon) 2:01.84; 5.) Lowery (Rochelle) 2:04.09; 6.) Haponstall (Kewanee) 2:08.85; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Cody Haars 2:15.00)

800 Meter Relay: Princeton (Robinson, Holschbach, Moore, Hartz) 1:34.08; 2.) Sterling 1:34.26; 3.) Geneseo (Shaun Russell 24.51, Aaron Kuban 23.49, Josh Reschke 25.16, Luke Steinkopf 21.22) 1:34.58; 4.) Kewanee 1:35.53; 5.) Dixon 1:35.57; 6.) L-P 1:38.68

400 Meter Dash: 1.) Thomas (Hall) 50.82; 2.) Luke Reschke (Geneseo) 51.18; 3.) Setchell (Dixon) 52.50; 4.) Cameron (Ottawa) 53.26; 5.) Welch (Ottawa) 53.73; 6.) Jim Kiss (Geneseo) 54.49

300 Meter Intermediate Hurdles: 1.) Rodriguez (Sterling) 41.05; 2.) Scoma (Princeton) 41.06; 3.) Wakely (Dixon) 41.37; 4.) Harsted (Ottawa) 41.59; 5.)

K. Wolf (Princeton) 42.00; 6.) Doddroe (Kewanee) 43.11; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Luke Thompson 43.63)

1600 Meter Run: 1.) Bond (Dixon) 4:33.81; 2.) Martin (Rock Falls) 4:35.35; 3.) Kyle Fluck (Geneseo) 4:37.54; 4.) Jacobson (Rochelle) 4:40.17; 5.) Huebner (Ottawa) 4:40.21; 6.) Justin Trujillo (Geneseo) 4:41.37

200 Meter Dash: 1.) Davidson (Dixon) 21.81; 2.) Oquendo (Rock Falls) 22.16; 3.) Moton (Streator) 22.51; 4.) Thomas (Hall) 23.42; 5.) Megli (Sterling) 23.76; 6.) Vervynck (Kewanee) 23.77; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Shaun Russell 23.51p; Aaron Kuban 23.51p)

1600 Meter Relay: 1.) Geneseo (Luke Reschke 52.64, Luke Steinkopf 52.96, Curt Russell 51.58, Justin Trujillo 52.19) 3:29.44; 2.) Hall 3:32.44; 3.) Sterling 3:38.25; 4.) Princeton 3:35.04; 5.) Ottawa 3:37.10; 6.) Mendota 3:40.78

2003 NCIC

Frosh-Soph Results

Host Site: Kewanee **Conditions:** 65 with a light wind

Team Scores: 1.) Princeton 169; 2.) Ottawa 75; 3.) Geneseo 69; 4.) Mendota 49; 5.) Rochelle 46; 6.) Dixon 39; 7.) Rock Falls 30; 8.) LaSalle-Peru 27; 9.) Sterling 22; 10.) Hall 20; 11.) Kewanee 10; 12.) Streator 2

Discus: 1.) Bickerman (Princeton) 135' 07"; 2.) Andes (Hall) 123' 06"; 3.) Senica (L-P) 122' 06"; 4.) Smith (Mendota) 118' 09"; 5.) Ruel (Dixon) 118' 06" 6.) Cates (Ottawa) 109' 11"; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Scott Rule 106' 00"; Brady Schnowske 101' 00")

High Jump: 1.) Anderson (Princeton) 6' 04"; 2.) Bright (Sterling) 5' 10"; 3.) Justin Heaton (Geneseo) 5' 10"; 4.) Loveland (L-P) 5' 08"; 5.) Warling (Princeton) 5' 08"; 6.) Byron Stanley (Geneseo) 5' 08"

Long Jump: 1.) Hartz (Princeton) 19' 06 1/2"; 2.) Warling (Princeton) 18' 05 3/4"; 3.) Brady (Ottawa) 18' 05 1/4"; 4.) Diaz (Mendota) 18' 01 1/2"; 5.) Bennett (Rock Falls) 17' 10 1/2"; 6.) Bright (Sterling) 17' 10 1/4"; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Byron Stanley 15' 10"; Andrew Sharp 14' 10")

Pole Vault: 1.) Howard (Princeton) 12' 00"; 2.) Shaun Russell (Geneseo) 11' 06"; 3.) Harsted (Ottawa) 10' 06";

4.) Troglio (Princeton) 10' 06"; 5.) Gavin (Ottawa) 10' 06"; 6.) Rothrock (Mendota) 10' 00"; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Skylar Miller 10' 00")

Shot Put: 1.) Brook (Dixon) 46' 03 1/2"; 2.) Cook (Ottawa) 43' 04"; 3.) Bickerman (Princeton) 43' 04" 4.) Andes (Hall) 42' 07"; 5.) Wyatt Brieser (Geneseo) 40' 06"; 6.) Brey (Dixon) 39' 09"; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Cody Leaman Injured)

Triple Jump: 1.) Bennett (Rock Falls) 38' 04"; 2.) Smith (Princeton) 37' 09 1/4"; 3.) Latta (Dixon) 35' 09"; 4.) Caleb Diericx (Geneseo) 35' 08 3/4"; 5.) Pitstick (Ottawa) 34' 05 1/2"; 6.) Byron Stanley (Geneseo) 33' 07"

.3200 Meter Relay: 1.) Mendota (Vercimak, King, Courter, Rothrock) 9:05.70; 2.) Dixon 9:12.80; 3.) Princeton 9:15.00; 4.) Ottawa 9:33.00; 5.) Geneseo (Blake Widick 2:17.30 (67), Matt Carton 2:29.50 (72), Ben Arnett 2:31.14 (69), Corey Hopkey 2:21.29 (66) 9:39.27 6.) Streator 9:46.50

400 Meter Relay: 1.) Rochelle (Peraza, Martinez, Dreska, Winebaugh) 47.05; 2.) Princeton 47.21; 3.) Geneseo (Jake Glazier 12.26, Ryan Norin 11.59, Blake Widick 12.17, Augie Anderson 11.46) 47.69; 4.) Ottawa 47.82; 5.) Sterling 48.67; 6.) L-P 50.54

3200 Meter Run: 1.) Wasser (Rochelle) 10:45.50; 2.) Lewis (Mendota) 11:00.60; 3.) Gonigam (Princeton) 11:07.20; 4.) Amm (Ottawa) 11:10.30; 5.) Dieci (Hall) 11:12.90; 6.) Smith (Kewanee) 11:19.50 (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Tony Lyttles 11:27.00 (5:27); Jordan Wildermuth 12:01.00 (5:48)

110 Meter High Hurdles: 1.) Scoma (Princeton) 15.54; 2.) Loveland (L-P) 16.46; 3.) Hayen (Sterling) 17.14; 4.) Miller (Ottawa) 17.20; 5.) Clifton (Sterling) 17.34; 6.) Eric Darwin (Geneseo) 18.20 (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Doug Adams 18.75)

100 Meter Dash: 1.) Holschbach (Princeton) 11.38; 2.) Winebaugh (Rochelle) 11.39; 3.) Bennett (Rock Falls) 11.45; 4.) Wendel (Mendota) 11.71; 5.) Norem (Ottawa) 11.71; 6.) Augie Anderson (Geneseo) 11.73 (11.49?) (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Kyle Glazier 11.87p)

800 Meter Run: 1.) Wright (Rock Falls) 2:04.10; 2.) Hagerman (Kewanee) 2:09.30; 3.) White (Hall) 2:11.10; 4.) King (Mendota) 2:12.40; 5.) Malott (Rock Falls) 2:12.59; 6.) Flatt (Streator) 2:14.40; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Kyle Wayne 2:20.00 (65)

800 Meter Relay: Ottawa (Norem, Jaeger, York, Harsted) 1:38.70; 2.) Mendota 1:38.70; 3.) Princeton 1:38.80; 4.) Geneseo (Kyle Glazier 24.30, Ryan Norin 24.51, Brady Schnowske 26.57, Augie Anderson 24.50) 1:39.00; 5.) Sterling 1:42.22; 6.) Kewanee 1:48.90

400 Meter Dash: 1.) Jagers (Princeton) 55.17; 2.) Bonucci (Princeton) 56.05; 3.) Blake Widick (Geneseo) 56.71; 4.) Justin Heaton (Geneseo) 56.79; 5.) Latta (Dixon) 57.08; 6.) Sluznis (Ottawa) 57.43

300 Meter Intermediate Hurdles: 1.) Troglio (Princeton) 44.26; 2.) Loveland (L-P) 44.28; 3.) Inskeep (Princeton) 45.10; 4.) Harden (Ottawa) 45.37; 5.) Caleb Diericx (Geneseo) 45.38; 6.) Woods (Ottawa) 45.52; (Additional Geneseo Athletes: Eric Darwin 47.23)

1600 Meter Run: 1.) Zacharias (Dixon) 4:53.90; 2.) Nathan Schlindwein (Geneseo) 4:58.60; 3.) Amm (Ottawa) 5:01.30; 4.) Bill Barton (Geneseo) 5:01.70; 5.) Wasser (Rochelle) 5:03.56; 6.) Gonigam (Princeton) 5:03.80

200 Meter Dash: 1.) Holschbach (Princeton) 23.15; 2.) Winebaugh (Rochelle) 23.72; 3.) Norem (Ottawa) 24.00; 4.) Wendel (Mendota) 24.19; 5.) Augie Anderson (Geneseo) 24.85 (24.49p); 6.) Kyle Glazier (Geneseo) 25.16 (24.26p)

1600 Meter Relay: 1.) Princeton (Bonucci, Dickinson, Anderson, Jagers) 3:46.30; 2.) Rochelle 3:49.20; 3.) Geneseo (Caleb Diericx 57.67, Justin Heaton 58.92, Skylar Miller 59.35, Blake Widick 56.75) 3:53.10; 4.) Ottawa 3:56.60; 5.) Mendota 3:57.23; 6.) Sterling 4:12.60