16th YMCA National/International Swimming & Diving Championships April 29-30, 1938 **Detroit, Michigan**

Thirty YMCA associations and 99 athletes participated in the meet, held at both the Northeastern Branch YMCA and the Northwestern High School in Detroit.

Event Schedule

April 29, 1938 9:00 AM Northeastern YMCA 1 Meter Diving (Preliminaries & Finals) 1500 Meters Freestyle (Time Finals)

April 29, Northwestern High School April 30. Northwestern High School Prelims: 2:00 PM Finals: 8:00 PM Prelims: 9:00 AM Finals: 2:00 PM 50 Yard Freestyle 100 Yard Freestyle 150 Yard Backstroke 200 Yard Breaststroke 220 Yard Freestyle 440 Yard Freestyle Exhibition Diving Finalists **Exhibition Diving Finalists** 300 Yard Medley Relay 400 Yard Freestyle Relay (Backstroke, Breaststroke, & Freestyle)

Event Results

1500 Meters Freestyle

National Record: Ray Mullane Flushing, NY 20:29.2 (1938)

Place:	Name:	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Time!:</u>
1^{st}	Ray Mullane	Flushing, NY	20:21.7	20:29.2*
2 nd	Steve Wozniack	Northern Br. Detroit, MI	20:25.3	20:32.9
3 rd	Charles Wilson	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	20:25.8	20:33.3
4 th	George Harmon	Tulsa. OK	21:02.2	21:09.9
5 th	John Roderick	Central Br. Canton, OH	21:06.8	21:14.1

Special Note: This was the 1st year for the 1500 Meter Freestyle event into the National Championship "Order of Events." Due to the number of entries in the 1 meter diving and the 1500 Meter Freestyle it was determined that 2 pools were needed to finish these events in a timely manner and not to so that the other preliminary events would start on time that afternoon. The 1500 Meters was held at Northwestern High School and the Diving in the Northeastern Branch YMCA pool. The distance for the event was officially measured by the City Engineering department and it was to be 65 lengths plus 15 yards and 1.25 feet. Unfortunately, the pool was not set up properly (30 Feet short) which was an unfortunate error that was not discovered until after the event was conducted. !The time was corrected from 20:21.7 to 20:29.2.

Fancy Diving 1 Meter

National Record: Al Greene Lawson Branch Chicago, IL 133.33 Points (1933)

Place:	Name:	Association:	Points:
1 st	Ray Ziegler	Buffalo, NY	98.40
2 nd	Wilmot Dahlem	Tulsa, OK	96.40
3 rd	John Lang	Fisher Br. Detroit, MI	93.60
4 th	John Bushko	Hackensack, NJ	86.40
5 th	Harvey Johnson	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	85.80

50 Yard Freestyle

National Record: Gordon Cornelius Lawson Br. Chicago, IL 23.3 (1934)

Place:	Name:	Association:	Time:
1^{st}	Karl Schmidt	Washington D.C.	24.7
2 nd	Burton Angwert	Lincoln, NE	25.2
3^{rd}	Joe Orloff	Erie, PA	NT
4 th	Frank Cummings	Baltimore, MD	NT
5 th	Harold Beach	Central Parkway Br. Cincinnati, OH	NT

150 Yard Backstroke

National Record: Leroy Ogle Fisher Br. Detroit, MI 1:39.3 (1938)

Place:	<u>: Name:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1^{st}	Leroy Ogle	Fisher Br. Detroit, MI	1:39.2*
2 nd	John Dilley	Huntington, IN	NT
3^{rd}	Freeman Flynn	Fisher Br. Detroit, MI	NT
4 th	W.H. Murphy	West Side Br. NY	NT
5 th	Ralph Johnson	Hackensack, NJ	NT

220 Yard Freestyle

National Record: Ralph Gilman San Francisco, CA 2:18.3 (1935)

<u>Place:</u>	<u>Name:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 st	Andrew Clark	Fisher Br, Detroit, MI	2:18.4
2 nd	George Harman	Tulsa, OK	NT
3^{rd}	Charles Wilson	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	NT
4 th	Zygment Dobrowalski	Erie, PA	NT
5 th	Frank Cummings	Baltimore, MD	NT

300 Yard Medley Relay (Backstroke, Breaststroke & Freestyle)

National Record: Lawson Br. Chicago, IL 3:05.5 Art Ebeling, Max Brydenthal, Casmir Chutro. (1937)

Place	Name:	Associ	ation:	Time:
1 st	Leroy Ogle, Frank Barnard,			3:10.5
	Wesley Webb			
2 nd	Zygment Dobrowalski,	Erie, P	'A	3:15.5
	Joseph Santo, Joseph Orloff	F		
3^{rd}	Ray Badger, Gerald Rudig,	Huntir	igton, IN	3:22.5
	Jack Hiple			
4 th	Harold Beals, John Shareme	et	Northern Br. Detroit, MI	3:15.8x
	Steven Woznick			
5 th	Larry Blair, Walter Andrews	, Hacke	nsack, NJ	3:24.9
	Jack Roesler	•	·	

100 Yards Freestyle

National Record: Walter Spence Orange, NY 52.2 (1934)

Place:	Name:	Association:	<u>Time:</u>
1 st	Wesley Webb	Fisher Br. Detroit, MI	54.9
2 nd	Butron Anglert	Lincoln, NE	55.6
3^{rd}	Zygment Dobrowalski	Erie, PA	55.9
4 th	Cliff Foderingham	Toronto, Canada	56.2
5 th	Harold Henning	Naperville, IL	56.2x

200 Yard Breaststroke

National Record: Max Brydenthal Lawson Br, Chicago, IL 2:31.6 (1937)

Place:	Name:	Association:	<u>Time:</u>
1^{st}	Archie Pincombe	Brockton, MA	2:35.3
2 nd	Joseph Santo	Erie, PA	2:44.4
3^{rd}	John Sharemet	Northern Br. Detroit, MI	2:45.5
4 th	Andrew Clark	Fisher Br. Detroit, MI	2:41.2x
5 th	Ray Badger	Huntington, IN	2:45.9

440 Yard Freestyle

National Record: Andrew Clark Fisher Br. Detroit, MI 4:49.3 (1938)

<u>Place</u>	<u>: Name:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 st	Andrew Clark	Fisher Br. Detroit, MI	4:49.3*
2 nd	Steve Wozniack	Northern Br. Detroit, MI	5:08.5
3 rd	George Harman	Tulsa, OK	5:13.1
4 th	Charles Wilson	Lawson, Br. Chicago, IL	5:07.0
5 th	Gerald Rudig	Huntington, IN	5:19.4

400 Yard Freestyle Relay

National Record: Lawson Br. Chicago, IL 3: 42.4 Herbert Budrick, Casmir Chutro, Irving McCaffrey, Charles Wilson. (1937)

Place:	Name:	Association:	Time:
1 st	Frank Barnard, Leroy Ogle,	Fisher Br. Detroit, MI	3:49.3
	Wesley Webb, Tom Miller		
2 nd	Don Leuenberger, Tom VaCho	Fort Wayne, IN	N/T
	Charles Leuenberger, Eugene Schw	<i>y</i> an	
3^{rd}	Carl Nelson, Gerald Hawryluk,	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	N/T
	Joseph Juel, Bruce Van Buren		
4 th	William b. Shaw, John White,	Harrisburg, PA	N/T
	Martin Foster, George H. Gottshall	-	

(x) Prelims Time

(*) New YMCA Record time

Meet Scoring

Scoring Points:	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Individual Events:	6	4	3	2	1
Relays:	10	8	6	4	2

Important Note: In the Championship heat in the finals, the pool only had 4 lanes, therefore 5th place was awarded to the fastest remaining time from the preliminaries heats.)

Special Note: See Bio for Dr. Harold Henning, a Joseph G. Rogers Award recipient, which can be found in the 1936 National Championship Meet Material.

Place:	<u>Team:</u>	Points:	Place:	<u>Team:</u>	<u>Points:</u>
1 st	Fisher Br. Detroit, MI	52	9 th T	Washington D.C.	6
2 nd	Erie, PA	20	9 th T	Brockton, MA	6
$3^{rd} T$	Northern Br. Detroit, MI	15	13^{th}	Hackensack, NJ	5
3 rd T	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	15	14^{th}	Harrisburg, PA	4
5 th	Tulsa, OK	13	15 th	Baltimore, MD	3

6 th	Huntington, IN	12	16th T West Side Br. NY	2		
7 th T	Lincoln, NE	8	16 th T Toronto Ontario, Canada	2		
7 th T	Downtown Br, Pittsburgh,	PA 8	18 th T Central Br, Canton, OH	1		
9 th T	Buffalo, NY	6	18 th T Central Pkwy Br.	1		
9 th T	Flushing, NY	6	18 th T Naperville, IL	1		
Prepared by: Melvin Paquette, Detroit YMCA Official Scorer						

Financial Statement

Receipts

Entry Fees: \$101.00
Ticket Sales: \$27.30
Total: \$128,30

Expenses

Awards:

Medals (Association Press) \$112.50 Engraving Team Trophy \$3.00

Supplies:\$2.15Entry Blanks printing\$35.00Programs-stencils & paper\$3.40Pastage\$7.10Tournament Committee:\$79.70

Natatorium Expenses:

Bath Attendant \$9.50
Rental 400 chairs \$16.00
Janitorial Service \$6.00
Public Address System \$4.75
Towel Rental & Loss \$15.00

Total: \$294.10 Deficit: (\$165.80)

Submitted by: George L. Gillesby Secretary

Special Lodging and Room Arrangements for the meet were as follows:

Statler Hotel (also the Meet Headquarters where everyone registered), \$1.50-4\$ to a room

The Northern YMCA - (20) spaces Northeastern YMCA - (18) spaces

Western YMCA - (25) spaces, \$1.25 per person.

Women: The YWCA's Central and Highland Park (25) spaces at \$1.00 and \$1.25 per person

YMCA Associations & Participants in attendance:

<u>Baltimore, MD:</u>	<u>Ft. Wayne, IN:</u>	<u>Lowell, MA</u> :
Frank Cummings	George Furste	Daniel Regan
William Meginnis	Charles Leuenberger	Naperville, IL:
Brockton, MA:	Don Leuenberger	Hal Henning(+)
Archie Pincombe	Eugene Schwan Allegh	eny Br. Pittsburgh, PA:
Buffalo, NY:	William Lamb	Stanley Beacon
Milton Maier	George Kempf	Frank Giglio
Raymond Ziegler	Tom VaChin	Rochester, NY:
Central Br. Canton, OH:	Hackensack, NJ:	Rodney Carr
Bill Urich	Walter Andrews	St. Louis, MO:
Central Parkway Br.	Larry Blair	Carl Classen

Cincinnati, OH: John Bushko Harold Beach Ralph Johnson Robert Fertell Bradford Root Will Smith Jack Roesler

Clinton, IA: **Downtown Br. Pittsburg, PA:**

Robert Dillon Fisher Br. Detroit, MI: Frank Barnard Andrew Clark Freeman Flynn Jack Garatzogeane Frank Katarzis William J. Lang Sol Lowe Tom Miller James Moore C.M. Ogle James Spence Robert Weir

William Vosburg Wesley Webb Erie, PA: Joseph Berston Zygmont Dobrowoski

Robert Calvert Joseph Orloff Joseph Stano

Flushing, NY: Ray Mullane

Louisville, KY: Paul Hines

Albert Faust Raymond Hubsch James Miles James Nesbitt Carl Rhodes H.D. Slevin Leo Soboloski John Strather Talbert Sullivan Bob Washington Harrisburg, PA: **Edward Bitner** Martin Foster George Gottshall C.F. Peters William B. Shaw John White **Knoxville, TN:**

Alex Curtis

Tom Crews John Crews Herman Silva

Lawson Br. Chicago, IL:

Herbert Budrick Gerald Hawryluk Harvey Johnson Joseph Juel Bruce Van Buren Carl Nelson

Charles Wilson

(+) Indicates Rogers Award Recipient.

Local Meet Committee Meeting

February 28, 1938 Detroit Athletic Club George Gillesb, Northern Branch YMCA Clarence Pinkston, Detroit Athletic Club Earnest Smith, Fisher Aquatic Club Harvey Barcus, Detroit News Harvey Lambert, Fisher Branch YMCA Dick Degener, Detroit Athletic Club

After reviewing the recommendations of the 1937 National Aquatic Conference held in Chicago, the entry material (Official Entry Blank Information & the Official Entry Blank) from the 1937 Championship Meet held in Chicago, and NCAA rules pertaining to hosting a championship meet and the order of events, the following recommendations were submitted to the National YMCA Aquatic Committee for approval, and any additional suggestions and/or corrections.

1. That the meet be conducted in five periods: Friday forenoon; Friday afternoon; Saturday forenoon preliminaries; and the Saturday afternoon finals to be concluded by 6:00 PM. This recommendation was made so that all of the contestants and spectators could attend the combined Sports Festival

Toronto, Canada:

Cliff Foderingham

Tulsa, OK:

Leonard G. Day Wilmot Dahlem George Harman

Washington D.C.:

Ernest Johnson John Hoffschildt Karl Schmitt

West Side Br. NY:

W.H. Murphy

Wilkes-Barre, NJ:

Thomas Hadorowski Walter Mikulski

Northeastern Br.

Detroit, MI:

Harold Beale Ed McIlhargie John H. Smith John Sharemet Steven Woznick

Huntington, IN:

Ray Bodger John Dilley Jack Hiple Gerald Rudig Charles Snowden

Lincoln, NE: **Burton Angwert**

- at the Olympia Saturday evening. In addition the host committee would like to present the meet awards in a combined presentation ceremony at Olympia.
- 2. That the 1500 Meters Freestyle event be added to the "Order of Events" this year. To be run on Friday morning as a time trial finals, at the Northeastern Branch YMCA (60ft Pool) in conjunction with the Fancy Diving.
- 3. That five places be awarded in the finals, even though the championship is being held in a four lane pool. That all events be run in time trial heats, the fastest four times (three watches on each man) qualify for the final heat, for place with the fifth fastest time placing fifth. The team points to be split in case of a tie. Exception: That the following procedure be recommended in running the 50 yard Freestyle event. That all heats be selected by draw (heat & lane) for the preliminaries, that first places qualify for the semi-finals, and the top two in the semi-final heats qualify for the finals. That there is no seeding of the heats according to previous times. The fifth place point be awarded to the fifth fastest time in the semi-finals or maybe another heat of the semi-finals if they wish.
- 4. That the 3 meter diving be omitted from the championship, because there is not safe depth of water under the 3 meter board in the city in indoor pools.
- 5. That the 1 meter diving be conducted at the Northeastern YMCA pool, preliminaries and finals both Friday morning, with exhibitions by the finalists in the Friday night, and Saturday afternoon finals. That the host committee in see that an official 14ft board be procured and set a official height. That even though this event is removed from the center where the rest of the meet is being conducted, that is was that every detail be correct for the benefit of the diving competing.

The Championship General Committee

John Brown Jr. MD. James Dickson A.G.Studer MD. George T. Hepbron Howard A. Coffin P.J. Lee

Dr. Arthur E. Dome
J. Lee Barrett
Ralph W. Hilman
John W. Fuhrer
William Buckley
John C. Townsend

B. G. Koether

Detroit Arrangement Committee

Larry Lambert Leo Maas George Mead Harvey Wallace E.P. Smith Melvin Paquette Bert Maris Matt Mann Harvey Barcus F. C. Lemke

Championship Committee

Dr. Thomas K. Cureton Jr. Chairman Springfield College Chairman J.E. McColley Harrisburg, PA Member-at- large George L. Gillesby Local YMCA Secretary

Key Meet Officials

Referee: Matt Mann University of Michigan Swimming Coach. **Meet Director:** George L. Gillesby Northeastern Branch Detroit, MI

Chief Starter: Unknown

Chief Judge: W.C. Knight, Michigan A.A.U.

Chief Timer: Charles Foster Michigan A.A.U. Records Committee

Clerk of Course: P.N. Lambert Fisher Branch YMCA & Melvin Paquette

Physician(s): R.M. Wright, R.K. Homan, Harry Stimson, Jack Eddy, &

Don Evans

CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE 1938 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rules: The National Collegiate Athletic Associations Rules (1938) Edition) shall govern the competition with the omission of the 3 Meter Diving.

Suits: Contestants shall not be permitted to wear any other YMCA letters or insignia on any part of their suits or robes. No commercial or advertising insignia will be allowed. Tank suites must be worn for all events except diving. Trunks will be permitted for diving only.

Awards: Regulation National YMCA Championship medals for first, second and third places in each event including relays. A permanent trophy will be awarded the swimming team.

Entry Fees: \$2.00 per man must accompany each entry regardless of number of events entered. This includes a ticket for admission to the contestants' section at the Olympia Stadium for the final championships and closing spectacle on Saturday night, April 30th.

<u>Dive Entries:</u> A list of five optional dives must accompany the contestants entry blank. Any charge in dives must be made in writing before 8:00 P.M., Thursday, April 28.

Entries Close: At 12 o'clock noon Monday, April 18, 1938. Only those entries in the office of J.P. Lee, Downtown Branch YMCA Detroit at that time will be accepted.

<u>Registration</u> All players (swimmers and divers) must have their YMCA Registration Cards.

Reporting: All contestants must report to the Championship Committee not later than 8:00 AM. On the morning of Friday, April 29, 1938 at Registration headquarters at the Statler Hotel, Detroit, Michigan.

Padlocks: Contestants will be expected to provide their own padlocks for lockers.

Publicity: The Detroit Publicity Committee requests pictures of swimmers and records of individuals and teams for advance notice in Detroit papers. These should be sent immediately to P.J. Lee, Downtown Branch YMCA Detroit, Michigan.

<u>Championship Committee:</u> The National YMCA Aquatic Championship Committee will meet with the Executive Committee at 6:00 PM on Thursday April 28 to pass on eligibility and to consider all matters pertaining to the conduct of the championships.

<u>Coaches Meeting:</u> All coaches will meet with the Championship Committee and 8:00 PM., at the Downtown Branch YMCA on Thursday, April 28.

Pre-Event Meetings: April 28, 1938 at 6:00 PM & at 8:00 P.

6:00 PM Championship Committee Meeting:

Present: Chairman Thomas K. Cureton; Mr. J.E. McColley; & George Gillesby

No protests concerning eligibility had been received by any member of the committee to date but differed closing the matter of eligibility until after a review of

the team entry lists presented to them at the coaches meeting at 8:00 PM. Then they reviewed the "National Rules that Govern YMCA Sports" and it was agreed that they would follow the recommendations of the coaches at the 1937 "that there would be no seeding in the 50 Yard Freestyle. A blind draw for heats and lanes would be conducted and the 1st place finisher in each heat would qualify the the Semi-Final heats. Then the top 5 times would swim for the championship. Cureton appointed J.E. McColley to preside at the Aquatic Luncheon to be held Friday Noon at the Fisher YMCA. He asked Gillesby to report all of the details related to set up and conduct of the meet (special arrangements officials and events) to the coaches at the meeting to follow.

8:00 PM Coaches and Officials Meeting:

Present: Chairman T. K. Cureton; J.E. McColley, Harrisburg, PA; George Gillesby Detroit Fisher Branch YMCA; Matt Mann Referee University of Michigan; Larry Lambert Fisher Branch; H.S. Henrici Tulsa; Ernest Smith, Fisher Branch; Carl Nelson Lawson Branch; Robert Dillon Clinton, IA; Harold Beach, Central Pkwy, Cincinnati, OH; Gerald Rudig, Huntington; Ray Hubsch, Pittsburg-Center Ave; Eugene Schwan, Ft Wayne. Matt Mann was introduced as the meet referee by Chairman Cureton, and it was explained that he would be the conductor of the meet under the rules of the National Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association, but that the Championship Committee would be the final authority in all matters outside the actual conduct of the events themselves. Mr. Gillesby announced the list of officials and asked for a few more volunteers from among the coaches.

Chairman, Thomas Cureton, asked the group to review thoroughly the listed entries, and raise any questions regarding eligibility. Only one question was raised by Huntington regarding Clark and Ogle of the Fisher YMCA competing in the Windsor AAU meet. Coach Lambert of Fisher explained satisfactorily to the committee. Chairman Cureton then announced that if there were no further challenges the matter of eligibility was finally closed, and no further challenges might be entered against a team. The change of place for conducting the 1500 meter was announced and the reasons explained. The coaches agreed the event should be conducted at Northwestern High School starting at 10:00 AM. Mr. Gillesby explained that the necessary blanks for requesting records would be on hand, that the watches were certified and the pools officially measured. The drawing for heats and lanes for all events followed. The meeting adjourned at 11:10 PM.

Special Exhibition of Formation Swimming

Spectators and coaches alike were loud in their acclaim of the exceptional performance of the Wilmerding, Pennsylvania stunt exhibition team. This group of three boys and three girls under the direction of John J. Komp preformed twice during the Championship, once Friday evening finals program and again during the Saturday afternoon finals.

Their exhibition lasted 8 minutes, was worked with clock-like precision from start to finish and included variations of locked-arm flutter-floating, 3 and 6 man water wheels, tandem stroking, star formations, the accordion, chain formations and many other stunts demanding perfect co-cordination, breath control and swimming skills. The whole routine was completed without a break. Mr Komp and his group are to be complimented on their contribution to water sports and the entertainment field.

Other Items and Special Events

Fellowship lunch, Friday April 12th 12 PM

All competitors are urged to attend the luncheon to be held in the Fisher YMCA auditorium, across from Northwestern High School where the afternoon preliminaries will be held. A special menu has been arranged for the competitors who will be swimming soon after. Some of the new YMCA Aquatic literature will be introduced by Chairman Cureton. There will introductions of teams and coaches, defending champions, special guests, and officials. Old friendships renewed, and new ones made. Lunch: fifty cents.

Competitive Life-Saving Event, Saturday April 13th AM

YMCA Life Saving Corps are invited to enter teams in the 3-man competition Buoy Rescue event, to be conducted between Events 3 and 4, Saturday morning. The requirements will be as follows: Subject is placed 70 feet from the start; Buoy with coiled rope is placed at edge of the pool; At the starting signal, first man swims with buoy to the subject; Second man pays out the line; third man pulls them in Rescuer holds the subject with a cross chest carry. The event will be timed. A special trophy will be awarded to the winning team. Indicate on your entry blank if you plan to enter a team.

New Records: Have been applied for to the National YMCA Records Committee, for Andrew Clark in the 440 yard Freestyle event, and Leroy Ogle in the 150 yard Backstroke. Both boys are from the Fisher Branch YMCA. Ogle's new mark of 1:39.2 was set in his preliminary heat, but the new record of 4:49.3 by Clark came in the final heat of the event.

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