

AU swimming and diving records fall at state meet

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Three new Alfred University school records were set during the New York State men's swimming and diving championships, held at Nottingham High School in Syracuse last weekend. The Saxons finished second with 1,112 points, breaking the team state meet record of 1,059 points, established in 2001. Senior Pat Kerwin (Canandaigua/Canandaigua) lowered his own record in the 50 freestyle from 21.37 seconds to 21.30 seconds. Kerwin teamed with freshman Kevin Martin (Conesus/Livonia), sophomore Matt Weems (Arlington, VA/Washington Lee) and junior Carl Schwarting (Weedsport/Weedsport) to swim a 1:23.91 200 freestyle relay, eclipsing the mark of 1:24.28 set in 2000. The 200 medley relay team of Kerwin, Martin, Schwarting and sophomore Brendan Miller (Auburn/Auburn) set a new mark with their time of 1:35.04, bettering the previous record of 1:36.07 set in 1989. AU senior Dave Berman (Auburn/Auburn) was named Diver of the Meet for the state championships after winning both the 1-meter and 3-meter events. Several AU swimmers, as well as Berman, earned NCAA qualifying "B" cuts and now await word on whether they will compete in the NCAA Division III championships March 21-23 in at Wooster College in Oxford, OH.