AU men s and women s swimming and diving teams travel to St. Lawrence 1/29/05

ALFRED, NY The Alfred University men's and women's swimming and diving teams traveled to St. Lawrence Saturday afternoon for their final dual meet of the regular season. The AU men won, 162-74, while the AU women fell, 13 2-111. The AU men (7-1, 4-1 Empire 8) got first place finishes from junior Brian Gotham (Syracuse, NY/Nottingham) in the 200 freestyle, freshman Page Beecher (Scarborough, ME/Scarborough) in the 400 individual medley, sophomore Brandon Striker (Caledonia, NY/York) in the 100 butterfly, freshman Jon Wordingham (Prattsburgh, NY/Naples) in the 100 backstroke, junior Alex Crowell (Wayland, MA/Wayland) in the 100 breaststroke, and freshman Dan Schubmehl (Rochester, NY/Penfield) in 1-meter and 3-meter diving. Securing second place finishes for AU were Striker in the 1650 freestyle, sophomore Trevor Covey (Alburg, VT/Burlington) in the 200 freestyle, senior Kevin Martin (Conesus, NY/Livonia) in the 50 freestyle, Crowell in the 100 freestyle, freshman Al Garr (Kingston, RI/South Kingston) in the 100 backstroke, Beecher in the 500 freestyle, freshman Travis White (Carthage, NY/Carthage) in the 100 breaststroke and senior Patrick O'Neill (Warren, PA/Warren) in 1-meter and 3-meter diving. The AU team of Wordingham, Gotham, Martin and Crowell placed first in the 400-medley relay, while Beecher, Gotham, Martin and Striker finished first in the 800 freestyle relay. The Alfred University women's team (5-4, 3-2) Empire 8) got victories from sophomore Erin Collins (Owego, NY/ Owego), who swept the 1-meter and 3-meter diving events. Other top finishers for AU were freshman Danielle Sandy (Saratoga Springs, NY/Saratoga) second in the 1650 and third in the 500 freestyle, sophomore Jessica White (Palmyra, NY/Palmyra-Macedon) second in the 200 freestyle and the 500 freestyle, senior Lacy Clifford (Oil City, PA/Oil City) second in the 100 butterfly and the 100 backstroke, sophomore Zara Racz (Morristown, NJ/Morristown) third in the 200 freestyle and the 100 freestyle, senior Lauren McCormack (Norwich, NY/Norwich) second in the 100 freestyle and third in the 50 freestyle, freshman Lindsay Scypta (Plymouth, MI/Cranbrook Kingswood) and were junior Rachel Saroka (Groton, NY/Groton) finishing second and third respectively in the 400 individual medley, freshman Nicole Williams (Radford, VA/Radford) third in the 100 breaststroke and freshman Bethany Ackley (Horseheads, NY/Horseheads) second in 1-meter diving. The AU team of Sandy, Saroka, White and Racz finished first in the 800-freestyle relay (8:32.46), setting a new school record. Clifford, Scypta, Saroka and McCormack placed second in the 400-medley relay. The AU swimming and diving teams will next compete in the NYSWCAA Championships in Syracuse, NY. The men's meet is scheduled from Feb. 23-26, while the women's team will compete Feb. 16-19.