AU men remain in fourth at UNYSCSA championships 2/27/10



SYRACUSE, NY - The Alfred University men's swimming and diving team remained in fourth place after Saturday's events at the Upper New York StateCollegiate Swimming Association (UNYSCSA) championships. With 13 events complete, Alfred, the three-time defending UNYSCSA champ, has 581 points. Leader Union has 801, followed by Stevens (798) and Ithaca (585) in second and third place, respectively. The championships, held at Nottingham High School in Syracuse, wrap up on Sunday. AU senior Andrew Brisson (Greenwich, CT/Greenwich) earned a state title in the 200-yard freestyle, winning the race in an NCAA "B" provisional cut time of 1:41.80. Brisson joins senior Kameron Chambliss (Alfred Station, NY/Alfred-Almond) in winning individual crowns during this state meet; Chambliss won a title in one-meter diving on Friday. Alfred couldn't duplicate its success in the relays from Friday, when the Saxons won both the 200-yard freestyle and 400-yard medley relays, the latter with an NCAA "B" cut. On Saturday, the team of sophomores Richard Guarniero (New York Mills, NY/Thomas R. Proctor) and Warren Dolben (Rye, NH/Berwick Academy), senior Greg Pilgrim (Almond, NY/Alfred-Almond) and sophomore Andrew Moragne (Cleveland, OH/University) were fifth in the 200-yard medley relay (1:36.18) and freshman Nate Chapman (Hornell, NY/Hornell), juniors Zach Mix (Mt. Morris, NY/Mt. Morris) and Tyler Olsen (Saratoga Springs, NY/Saratoga) and Brisson were second in the 800-yard free relay (7:00.41). Mix and Pilgrim were fourth (52.04) and sixth (52.33), respectively, and Moragne and senior Pat Grimmer (Bath, NY/Haverling) were 16th (54.61) and 23rd (54.86), respectively, in the 100-yard butterfly. Olsen took seventh in the 200 free (1:45.61), while Chapman and junior Dan Steere (Hornell, NY/Alfred-Almond) were 18th (1:47.2) and 24th (1:50.57), respectively. Dolben was fifth in the 100yard breaststroke (59.46); Guarniero was 17th in the 100-yard backstroke (55.29); and sophomore Jeff Swartout (Binghamton, NY/Chenango Valley) was 22nd in the 400-yard individual medley. The team of junior Matt Lobban (Pittsford, NY/Pittsford Mendon), Swartout, Grimmer and Steere were 22nd in the 200 medley relay (1:41.41); Dolben, Lobban, sophomore Richard Lenihan (Warwick, NY/Warwick Valley) and Steere were 19th in the 800 free relay (7:16.92). The championships conclude Sunday with the 1,650-yard freestyle, 200-yard back, 100-yard free, 200-yard breast, 200-yard butterfly, three-meter diving and the 400-yard freestyle relay.