

Four Alfred University swimmers to compete at NCAA championship meet

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ALFRED Four members of the Alfred University men's swimming and diving team have been invited to compete at the NCAA Division III championship meet, to be held March 21-23 in Wooster, OH. Senior Pat Kerwin (Canandaigua/Canandaigua) qualified to swim in the 100 backstroke, in which he will be seeded 11th. Kerwin will be allowed to swim in as many as three other individual events (the 50 freestyle, 200 backstroke and 100 freestyle) but will likely swim in only one (the 50 freestyle), so that he can compete in the relay events. A swimmer can swim in a maximum of seven events and there are five relays. The team of Kerwin, freshman Kevin Martin (Conesus/Livonia), sophomore Matt Weems (Arlington, VA/Washington Lee) and junior Carl Schwarting (Weedsport/Weedsport) qualified to compete in the 200 freestyle relay, in which they are seeded sixth. The NCAA allows any team that qualifies in one or more relay events to compete in all five relays (the others are 400 medley, 200 medley, 800 freestyle and 400 freestyle). Weems qualified to swim in one individual event - the 200 freestyle. Senior Dave Berman (Auburn/Auburn) swept both diving events at the state championships and earned an NCAA qualifying "B" cut in the 1-meter event but was not invited to compete at the NCAA meet.