

A&M swims past SMU

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A strange two days of races at the Reveille Invitational ended with the Texas A&M men's swimming team dominating the Mustangs from Southern Methodist University. The undefeated Aggies took first in 13 of the 15 events, winning the competition by more than 150 points. In fact, the only two events that A&M lost were because the Aggie teams disqualified because

of leaving the board early. "The character and toughness of this team was something I was extremely impressed with," said coach Mel Nash after the meet. "It was really incredible how they kept coming back."

The two teams swam as many unconventional races during the two days as they did conventional. Everything from a 25-yard freestyle to an 800-yard individual medley were competed in. Most of the normal racing distances were actually doubled, putting the meet's emphasis on actual training as opposed to wins and losses.

"What we were trying to accomplish was for this to be a scored workout," Nash said. "When you have another team beside you, that you know is scoring points, all the sudden it draws more out of you. So from that standpoint I was extremely pleased with what we got out of the guys."

The Aggies won all of the events in convincing fashion, taking the top three spots in three different races. In the 800-yard medley relay, the 400-yard backstroke, and the

3000-yard freestyle the Aggies finished first, second and third.

Several different Aggies had stellar performances over the two days, including junior Patrick Didium who competed in two of the most grueling races of the entire meet. On Friday, Didium took gold in the longest race of the meet, the 3000-yard freestyle, which took him over 30 minutes to complete.

Didium was also a part of the most exciting and the closely contested race of the two days. He and sophomore Scott Mueller teamed up to win the 1000-yard free relay, taking first place by less than one half of a second over SMU's Michael Jacobsson and Chris Epp.

"We just laid it all on the line," Didium said. "I think the guy I was racing took the first leg kind of fast and seemed to be hurting the last part ... We just kept creeping up on them so I figured we'd get them in the very end. When we were behind still after the third leg I was a little worried, but we were able to pull it out."

One of the most surprising showings of the day came from sophomore Scott Hansen, who fought off a slight case of mononucleosis to take gold in the 400-yard fly. "It was pretty impressive what he was able to pull out," Nash said.

The Aggies continue their season at Indiana on Nov. 16-18.



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