

ATHENS, Ga. — Florida State's smooth-stroking swimmers successfully defended their Georgia AAU championship here yesterday, but the Seminole varsity had to share the spotlight with the best FSU freshman squad ever.

Coach Bim Stults' Seminoles won six of the 32 events and chalked up 84 points against a talented field. Florida's varsity Gators finished second with 62 points. FSU's freshmen showed surprising power as a separate team entry and closed third with 52 points.

MIAMI FOURTH

Farther back were Miami (27), Georgia (23), and the University of Florida freshmen (21).

FSU's freshman 400-yard freestyle relay team produced one of the meet highlights by nipping the Seminole varsity in freshman and school-record time of 3:30.4. Ned Searcy, Tom Brandley, Dale Smith, and Lee Bransford teamed to upset WSU's crack varsity squad that had set a school record of 3:30.8 only recently in a dual victory over Florida.

Stults can smile over future prospects because the Baby Seminole quartet had to beat a varsity unit comprised of Jack Dunlap, Buck Hiles, Bill Quayle, and Paul Thompson.

Hiles and Thompson were the meet's only double winners. Hiles won the 200 individual medley in 2:11.0 and set a Stegeman Hall pool record in taking the 200 butterfly in 2:09.2.

Thompson blazed to first-place finishes in the 220 and 440-yard freestyle events and finished second behind Florida ace Terry Green in the 100-yard freestyle. Pete Davis, sophomore backstroke standout, and All-America diver, Curt Genders gave FSU its other blue ribbon. Genders, undefeated in all competition this year, compiled 489.7 points on a

championship agenda of 11 dives. The Sarasota senior scored his second personal triumph in the last two weeks over Florida's Steve McBride, Southeastern Conference diving champion.

FROSH SPARKLE

The Baby Seminoles, coached by Dee Edlington and undefeated in dual meets this season, had a field day in the record department. In all, the FSU frosh established two school records and seven freshman standards.

Bransford, promising Jacksonville product, set freshman records in both the 100 and 220-yard freestyle events. Smith hung up a frosh record in the 50 freestyle. Acosta notched a new freshman mark in the 200-yard backstroke and Tom Lasanta did likewise in the 200 breaststroke.

FSU freshman Bill Dahl set a school record in the 1,500-meter freestyle race on Friday night. Acosta, Lasanta, Brandley, and Searcy teamed for a 400 medley relay frosh record.

Save for 1950, the Seminoles have won the Georgia AAU title every year since 1958. FSU did not enter the Georgia AAU in 1959.

The Seminoles, 7-1 in dual competition, swim East Carolina College in Tallahassee Tuesday night.

The Georgia AAU summaries, with FSU varsity and freshman places:

- 1,500-meter freestyle—3. Dahl, FSU (20:21.7, school record).
- 400-yard medley relay—1. Florida.
- 2. FSU "A" (Davis, Fisher, Pyykko, Mitchell).
- 3. FSU (Acosta, Lasanta, Brandley, Searcy; 4:04.1, freshman record).
- 4. FSU "B" (Abstein, Richardson, Braden, Dunlap).
- 200 freestyle—1. Thompson, FSU (2:09.2).
- 2. Bransford, FSU (2:13.0, freshman record).
- 4. Dahl, FSU.
- 3. Quayle, FSU.
- 50 freestyle—1. Finkerton, Ga. (:22.8).
- 3. Smith, FSU (:23.2 in trials, freshman record).
- 3. Bransford, FSU.
- 200 individual medley—1. Hiles, FSU (2:11.9).
- 3. Lasanta, FSU.
- 4. Smith, FSU.
- Diving—1. Genders, FSU.
- 3. Owen, FSU.
- 200 butterfly—1. Hiles, FSU (2:09.2, pool record).
- 2. Pyykko, FSU.
- 3. Combes, FSU.
- 100 freestyle—1. Green, Fla. (:51.6).
- 2. Thompson, FSU.
- 4. Bransford, FSU (:51.7, freshman record).
- 200 backstroke—1. Davis, FSU (2:13.2).
- 3. Acosta, FSU (2:17.5, freshman record).
- 400 freestyle—1. Thompson, FSU (4:46.5).
- 4. Dahl, FSU.
- 200 breaststroke—1. Friedman, Miami (2:29.5).
- 4. Lasanta, FSU (2:32.6 in trials, freshman record).
- 5. Richardson, FSU.
- 400 freestyle relay—1. FSU Frosh (Searcy, Brandley, Smith, Bransford; 3:30.6, school and freshman records).
- 2. FSU (Dunlap, Hiles, Quayle, Thompson).