

NEW ORLEANS — Florida State's perennially strong swim team cranked up its 1961-62 season with a victory in the Southern AAU Invitational meet at Tulane here yesterday.

The Seminoles, led by Paul Thompson of Tallahassee, scored 141 points. Tulane scored 134, Capital Swim Association was third in the 15-team field with 114 points.

Thompson won top individual events, winning the 200-yard individual medley in 2:13.7 and the 440 freestyle in 4:54.7. Both were pool records.

He also anchored FSU's freestyle relay team that won in 1:38.6, also a new pool record.

FSU swept the first three places in the 200 individual medley and the top five places in the 440 freestyle.

A double winner for FSU was Tom Brandley with a 55.2 time in the 100 freestyle and a 2:23.0 in the 220 freestyle. The latter was a new pool record.

Pete Davis won the 100 breaststroke with a 1:11.5 and Dick Acosta won the 100 backstroke in 1:02.8.

With Thompson on the freestyle relay unit were Ned Searcy, Brandley, and Dale Smith.

The 200-yard medley relay team, also a winner with a new pool record time of 1:51.4, was made up of Acosta, Bill Lawrence, Risto Pyykko and Pete Davis.