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TAMPA — Dean Jerger continued his assault on the record books, and Florida State's swimming team jumped to a commanding lead in the first day of the Independent Southern Swimming Championships at the University of South Florida Pool here.

Jerger, the Seminoles nationals ranked freestyle sprinter, turned in another top 50-yard free performance, as he eclipsed both the USF pool and the ISC meet records with a 21.5 time.

The clocking is the second fastest of the season for the junior from Sarasota who is ranked fourth currently with a 21.3.

Jerger's Seminole teammates were too much for the rest of the South's top independent swimmers, as Florida State piled up 88 points, to Tulane's 65½, USF's 31 and Georgia Tech and Miami's 14.

The Seminoles had six firsts in Friday's nine opening events.

In addition to Jerger's win in the 50 Marc Middleton, Dennis Shiels, Bill Gest and

Phil Boggs all had individual wins. The Seminoles' 800-yard Freestyle relay team was also a winner.

Middleton was a narrow victor of Shiels in the 100-yd. butterfly. His top time for the event was 53 seconds. The Seminoles' Chet Miltenberger placed fourth in the same event, giving the Tribe three of the top four spots.

Shiels was an easy winner in the 400-yd. individual medley with a 4:29.2 clocking.

Bill Gest gained his win in the 100-yd backstroke. His younger brother Tom was fifth in the same event. Tom also took a fourth in the 400 IM.

Florida State's divers captured four of the top five spots in the one-meter competition.

Boggs was first, followed by Howie Acosta and Ken Von Roenn in second and third. Fifth place went to freshman Buzz Cole.

Shiels, Middleton and Bill Gest teamed with Ed Anderson to give the Seminoles a win in the 800-yard free relay.

The meet concludes this afternoon.

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TAMPA — Florida State's swimming team dominated the individual events and won the second annual Southern Independent Swimming championships easily Saturday at the University of South Florida Pool.

The Seminoles, who won six of Friday's nine events, picked up six more wins Saturday for a total of 12 out of 12 events.

In the final tabulation the Tribe had 181 points as compared with second place Tulane's total of 128.5. South Florida was third with 83, followed by Georgia Tech with 32 and Miami with 31.5.

The Seminoles had two winning relays in Saturday's competition.

The 400-yard freestyle team of Dennis Shiels, Mike Seelie, Mark Jenkins and Dean Jerger turned in its best time of the year with a winning 3:15.1 clocking.

The medley relay with Bill Gest, Mark Middleton, Shiels and Jerger, also was a winner with a 3:46.5 time.

Jerger who won the 50-yard freestyle Friday, had to settle for a second in the 100-free event Saturday. Normally a top event for the junior sprinter, Saturday's 100 came right after the medley relay in which Jerger swam the anchor freestyle leg.

The Seminoles picked up their first individual win in the 200-yard butterfly as Middleton and Chel Miltenberger finished one-two. Middleton's winning time was 2:00.3.

Bill Gest completed his sweep of the backstroke events with a win in the 200. His time was 2:04.6. Friday he won the 100 yard backstroke event.

Middleton, a three time winner in the two day affair picked up his final victory in the 200-yard individual medley.

Florida State's divers continued their domination of the board events, sweeping the

first four places in Saturday's three-meter event.

Phil Boggs captured first place with 553.95 points, followed by Howie Acosta, Ken VonRoenn and Buzz Cole.

The meet closed the Seminoles' regular season, although Coach Bim Stufts will be taking several swimmers and divers to the NCAA national championships in Salt Lake City later this month.