

Andover Defeats Exeter 119-66 and Breaks Ten Records

100 years and one day after its first meet—a win against Harvard—and 92 years after its first meet against Exeter—another win—the Big Blue met the Big Red at home surrounded by scores of alumni and nine current and former coaches. Following an alumni meet and prior to a great dinner highlighting Andover's storied program—an Olympic Gold Medalist in 1948, National Record holders, and many All-Americans—the members of the current Boys' Swimming and Diving Team put together many great performances in anticipation of next weekend's championship meet.

In the day's first event, Andover placed first, second, and third in the 200 Medley Relay. In first, the squad of Co-Captain Derrick Choi '12, Didi Peng '12, Tim Wynter '14, and Michael Camarda '14 blazed to a 1:35.64, which not only broke the pool record set by Andover ten days ago in 1:36.69, but also shattered the Andover/Exeter record set last year by Andover in 1:38.44. In second, Joe Faller '14, Andrew Wilson '12, Alex Li '15, and David Cao '14 swam an impressive 1:39.79, and in third, Heson Oh '14, Andrew Yang '14, David Cho '14, and Andrew Xuan '13 swam a 1:46.28.

Jun Oh '12 broke his own pool and Andover/Exeter records established last year by winning the 200 Freestyle in 1:42.60. Travis Bouscaren '14 took two seconds off his best time to place third in 1:47.26, and Eric Benca '12 had his best performance of the year in 1:48.00 and placed fourth. Swimming exhibition, Heson Oh was 1:56.63, Connor Fraser '13 was 1:57.01, and Co-Captain Lorenzo Conte '12 was 1:57.86. In the 200 Individual Medley, Choi returned to the pool to win in a best time of 2:00.44. Wilson was third in 2:04.10, and Yang was fourth in 2:05.51.

In the 50 Freestyle, Andover placed second, third, and fourth: Camarda (22.14), Cao (22.64), and Peng (22.97). Competing exhibition, Xuan was a 23.37; Cho was a 23.79; and Alex Li was a 24.18. In diving, Kade Call '14 scored a strong 134.85 to secure third place, and at the end of the diving competition, Andover led Exeter 46 to 31.

Following the diving competition, Wynter won the 100 Butterfly in a great 51.81, which broke the 29-year-old pool record. Alex Li placed third with a 55.74 and Cho was fourth with a 57.69. Swimming exhibition, Xuan was 57.50 and Chris Li was 57.65. Camarda swam a 48.51 in the 100 Freestyle to place second, while Faller swam 48.67 for third, and Cao swam 50.85 for fourth. In the exhibition heat, Bouscaren swam a 50.84 and Heson Oh swam a 53.21.

By cruising to a 4:42.74 for a victory in the 500 Freestyle, Jun Oh concluded his dual meet career at Andover undefeated. Justin Wang '13 was third in 5:07.94, and Connor Fraser '13 was fourth in 5:10.94. In the 200 Freestyle Relay, Benca, Cao, Peng, and Bouscaren were second in 1:29.79, and Conte, Heson Oh, Xuan, and Yang were third in 1:35.59.

Returning to the pool for the 100 Backstroke, Wynter swam an amazing 50.68, which broke Andover great T. J. Durkin's school record of 51.44 set in 1999 as well as Exeter legend Mike McLean's Andover/Exeter record of 51.14 set in 2002 and his pool record of 51.48 set in 2001. The first person to offer his congratulations? An incredibly gracious T. J. Durkin, who witnessed the swim from the front row of the stands. Choi placed second in a great 53.38, and Faller was third in 54.18.

In the 100 Breaststroke, Peng swam 1:01.77 for the victory, followed by Wilson with a 1:03.99 and Yang in third with a 1:05.21. Wang swam a 1:05.74 in exhibition.

Although the meet had already been won, Andover approached the 400 Freestyle Relay with enthusiasm and focus. Chris Li, Fraser, Wang, and Wilson swam 3:35.01 for fifth, and Choi, Conte, Bouscaren, and Benca swam 3:27.67 for third: several individuals on both squads had best times. And the team of Faller, Wynter, Jun Oh, and Camarda raced to a 3:10.80, which shattered both the Andover/Exeter record set by Andover last year in 3:14.13 and the pool record of 3:14.12 set by Deerfield in 1983.

With that fitting end to Andover's third consecutive undefeated dual meet season—and fourth consecutive undefeated dual meet season in league competition—Andover sets its sights on the New England Swimming and Diving Championships next Saturday at Exeter and retains its focus on putting together its best possible performances that day.

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