Andover Boys Swimming & Diving 2015 December 6, 2014 Loss, Suffield 84-101 Loss, Peddie 60-120

For its opening meet of the 2015 swimming and diving season, the boys' team faced powerhouse Peddie and last year's championship runner-up Suffield in a triple dual meet at Suffield.

With just a few practices to build on early in the season, team members arrived at this meet in varying degrees of swimming fitness. While the outcome of the meet against Peddie was never really in question, the meet with Suffield hinged on some outstanding times by the host's top swimmers and relays, trumping some excellent early-season performances by Andover's swimmers which kept the meet close.

In the Peddie dual meet, Andover recorded individual wins with Christian Alberga '17 in the 50 Freestyle in 22.02. Jack Belluche '16 won the diving contest outright with a score of 170.85, and co-captain Alex Li '15 won the 100 Fly in 52.40, a few hundredths of a second off his best-ever time.

In the Suffield dual meet, Andover had to wait until the 100 Free to earn an individual win with Alberga in 48.74. The 200 Free relay team of Chris Li '15, Darren Ty '16, Marcello Rossi '16 and Alberga won the event in 1:30.60. Co-captain Aaron Teo '15 emerged victorious in the Breaststroke event in 1:01.42.

Other notable performances included Ty in the 200 IM in 2:01.77, and Rossi in the 200 Free in 1:47.96. Andover's Medley relay of Richard Zhong '17, Teo, Alex and Chris Li went 1:41.50, and the 400 Free relay of Alex Li, Ty, Rossi and Alberga finished in 3:18.84.

The team will now have a couple of weeks to practice, plus the winter break, before traveling to Choate on January 10 for its next dual meet.

Full results can be found on the Andover Aquatics website (<a href="www.andoveraquatics.net">www.andoveraquatics.net</a>), and the league website (<a href="www.nepssa.org">www.nepssa.org</a>).