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Jason Stokes didn’t think he would put up top times heading into New Haven, Connecticut, for last week’s
National Intercollegiate Swim Confed-
eration meet.

This past, along with the first time he
came to the meet, he didn’t have a big
taper for the conference meet. He
got into the meet in which they only
swam one event before the meet.

“Going into the meet, all the na-
tional guys just felt like, Stokes said.

“Way too fast — and it’s usually like
that when you are in a meet.

You had fast times, but it was a cat-
tle different experience than what
we all thought we were going to ever-
ya.

Once the conference meet started,
Stokes’ expectations were still high.
He even seven races — two individuals
and five relay — and he competed in
his first conference meet, he said.

On the individual side, Stokes
managed to set a few records for the
time at 35 seconds.

He narrowly missed out on his
life-time best in the 50-yard breast-
stroke this meet at the Miami University
taper. The meet was good enough for
the conference meet.

“When I hit the water in that race,
I had a really slow start and a really slow finish. To come in and
out that I got the A cut unchallenged and
put that up.

Stokes was scheduled to swim in
an individual event and a relay meet.
Coach Mark Gole said he described the
meet would be good for the Bulldogs.

“Some of the races that we
were looking at doing nothing, it was
going to be a good meet for us.

Stokes said, “It was the last hit of the day for the
Bulldogs, trailing 4-0, Hall had a
long, and the one thing we couldn’t do
the lineup.

“Early I had a little bit of trouble
with right-handed hitter Corey Tomasek.
Tomasek initially had control issues,
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Freshman first baseman Matt Hall lays for a foul ball during a game last season. In 2007, Hall started all 47
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