

Swimming & Diving Make It Three In A Row

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OSHKOSH - A day after defeating UW-Whitewater, the UW-Eau Claire men's and women's swimming and diving teams each notched their second consecutive Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) dual meet victory, and third consecutive dual meet triumph, as the men won 154-68 over UW-Oshkosh and the women defeated the Titans 143-94.

This marks the last meet for swimming and diving before the WIAC Conference Championships on February 9th. As of Thursday, both the men and women were down 0-2 in WIAC dual meets this season. However, with consecutive wins over Whitewater and Oshkosh the teams evened up their records to 2-2 in WIAC dual meets. The men are 3-3 in all dual meets and the women are 4-2 in theirs.

Scott Heatwole (Sr.-Port Washington) continued his dominance on the boards. He won the 1-meter event with a 258.50 score and then took the 3-meter competition with 265.05 points.

There was a lot of action in the pool, as well. **Nick Peterson** (Jr.-Lake Elmo, MN/North St. Paul) nabbed the top spot in the 50-yard freestyle with a 23.79 race. In the 200-yard individual medley, **Brian Jordan** (So.-Madison/West) won with a 2:10.68 performance. **Brian Hauerwas** (So.-Racine/CASE) was the 100-yard butterfly champ with a 56.92 effort. In 56.14, **Cale Schmidt-Jackson** (Jr.-Duluth, MN/East) took first in the 100-yard backstroke.

Two Eau Claire teams also took first in relays. **Blake Christenson** (Jr.-Oshkosh/North), **Bill Peterson** (Fr.-Lake Elmo, MN/North St. Paul), **Ben Bonis** (Fr.-Eleva/Eau Claire Memorial), and **Chris Petersen** (Fr.-Green Bay/Ashwaubenon) had a 1:46.39 200-yard medley race for the top slot. **Chris Nye**, **Patrick Finley** (Fr.-Waunakee), **Brian Schwartz** (Jr.-Bemidji), and **Peter Shafe** (Jr.-Burlington) were the 200-yard freestyle champs with 1:32.18 swim.

Chelsea Moore (Fr.-Plymouth, MN/St. Louis Park) continued the Eau Claire dominance in diving as she took both the 1-meter and 3-meter events. She had a 185.90 score on the 1-meters and a 166.75 tally in the 3-meter competition.

In the pool, **Amanda Kroger** (So.-Shoreview, MN/Mounds View) won the 1650-yard freestyle in 19:13.43. Eau Claire's **Kyle Welke** (So.-Eau Claire/North) was the champ of the 50-yard freestyle with a 27.35 race. In the 200-yard individual medley, **Emily Diehl** (So.-Prairie du Sac/Sauk Prairie) was the fastest with a 2:20.37 effort. **Cori Severson** (Sr.-Brainerd, MN) took the top prize in the 100-yard freestyle on a 55.30 race. **Emmie Lee** (So.-Zimmerman, MN/Elk River) and her 1:05.30 100-yard backstroke took first. **Emily Viau** (Jr.-Apple Valley, MN/Eastview) had a 5:32.76 500-yard freestyle race to place first.

After this sound WIAC victory, the Blugolds can look forward to the three-day WIAC Conference Championships at the University of Minnesota. This event, hosted by UW-River Falls, begins February 9th and goes through February 11th.

Eau Claire-Oshkosh Results

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