

Swimming & Diving In Third After Day Two

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STEVENS POINT - The UW-Eau Claire men's and women's swimming and diving teams saw the men move up to third while the women stayed at third during day two of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) Championships

The Blugold women have 307.5 points. UW-Stevens Point leads with a 661.5 score while UW-La Crosse's 649.5 mark is second. UW-Whitewater is fourth behind Eau Claire at 258 points while UW-Oshkosh ranks fifth at 189. UW-River Falls is sixth on a 158.5 tally.

The men have a 307 total over the two days. The Eagles are in first with 591 points as Stevens Point follows them at 589. Whitewater is in fourth on a 301 mark. Oshkosh and River Falls are behind Whitewater with scores of 209 and 131, respectively.

The swimmers notched gains of 10 or more points in many races today. **Cale Schmidt-Jackson** (Sr.-Duluth, MN/East) grabbed fourth in the 100 butterfly on a 53.26 time for 15 points and sixth in the 100 backstroke on a 55.30 time for 13 points. **Brian Jordan** (Jr.-Madison/West) took fourth for 15 points in the 400 IM with **Nick Peterson** (Sr.-Lake Elmo, MN/North St. Paul) right behind him for 14. They had times of 4:22.79 and 4:23.84, respectively. **Patrick Finley** (So.-Waunakee) had a 1:47.53 200 freestyle for 12 Blugolds points. He took seventh.

In relays, Schmidt-Jackson, **Peter Schultz** (So.-Oakdale, MN/North), **Matt Schultz** (Fr.-Oakdale, MN/North), and Finley nabbed 30 points as they swam to a 1:39.58 fourth-place time in the 200 medley relay. Jordan, Finley, Peterson, and Matt Schultz took third in the 800 freestyle relay on a 7:13.56 time for 32 points.

The women's side also saw several events that collected large amounts of Blugold points. **Emily Viau** (Sr.-Apple Valley, MN/Eastview) and her 1:59.01 time finished fourth for 15 points in the 200 freestyle. In the 100 backstroke, **Mari Bodensteiner** (Fr.-Red Wing, MN) finished in 1:02.03 for fifth as she netted 14 Eau Claire points. **Emily Diehl** (Jr.-Prairie du Sac/Sauk Prairie) swam a 1:09.77 100 breaststroke for a tie for seventh place and 11.5 points.

Bodensteiner, Diehl, **Alissa Condra** (Sr.-Rhineland), and **Kyle Welke** (Jr.-Eau Claire/North) took the runner-up spot in the 200 medley relay in 1:53.60. They took 34 points. **Amy Stewart** (Fr.-South Milwaukee), **Jackie Blank** (Fr.-Byron, MN), **Amanda Kroger** (Jr.-Shoreview, MN/Mounds View), and Viau swam the 800 freestyle relay in 8:07.80 for third and 32 points.

The championships will finish up tomorrow in Stevens Point. Prelims are at 10 a.m. with finals at 7:45 p.m. tomorrow night.

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