

Men's Golf Ties For First At Ronnie Eastman Invite

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LA CROSSE, Wis. - The UW-Eau Claire men's golf team completed the Ronnie Eastman Invitational, hosted by Viterbo University, in a tie for first place today.

The Blugolds had the best round of golf in the nine-team field, shooting a 296 today. Combined with their day one total of 294, the Blugolds ended with a total of 590 strokes. Finishing tied with Eau Claire was St. Ambrose University, who were in the lead after day one by seven strokes. Viterbo University took third place with 605 strokes, while Iowa Wesleyan ended the two day invite with 615.

On the individual side, the Blugolds again were very consistent. Leading the Blugolds was **Derek Bauer** (*Sr.-Inver Grove Heights, Minn./Eagan*), who shot 72 both days for a total of 144 strokes. He ended up in second place after losing a playoff to Viterbo's Ren Jungck.

Leading all golfers the second day and taking second place for Eau Claire was senior **Peter Wendt** (*Lake Mills, Wis.*). On day one, Wendt shot 75, but his performance today was four strokes better. He completed the invite with a total of 146 strokes and tied with two other golfers for fifth place.

Sophomore **Aaron Nelson** (*River Falls, Wis.*) was one of the golfers who tied Wendt, with Viterbo's Derrick Meier being the other. Nelson shot 71 on the first day and a 75 on the second for a total of 146.

Other Eau Claire golfers at the invite were sophomore **Ben Ziemann** (*Eau Claire, Wis./Memorial*), who finished tied for 15th with 154 strokes and **Mason Milner** (*Sr.-Onalaska, Wis.*), who finished with 160 strokes in a tie for 35th place.

The Blugolds will complete their fall season next week, when they travel to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina for the Ohio Wesleyan Gordin Intercollegiate. They will tee off for day one of the meet on Sunday and finish on Monday.

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