Men's Track & Field Finishes Fourth Out Of Ten Teams

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STEVENS POINT, Wis. - The UW-Eau Claire men's track and field team finished fourth out of ten teams at the Eastbay Invitational hosted by UW-Stevens Point on Saturday.

Host UW-Stevens Point ran away from the competition today as they finished in first with 164 points. UW-Oshkosh finished in second today with 144 points and the University of Minnesota-Duluth finished in third with 108.5 points. The Blugolds finished only one point behind Duluth with 107.5 points. The fifth place finisher Carthage College finished with a distant 49 points. Other teams that competed at the event were Loras College, Coe College, Ripon College, the Wisconsin Track Club, and Concordia University.

On the field side of the competition, **Chris Wirtz** *(So.-Weston, WI/Schofield D.C. Everest)* turned in the best performance for the Blugolds. Wirtz ran the 3000-yard run in 8:43.24 to earn a second place finish. Wirtz's second place finish was good enough to earn the team eight points.

In the one mile race, **Tony Carr** *(Jr.-Menomonie, WI)* finished fourth with a time of 4:23.14 and took home six points for the Blugolds.

Brent Kann *(So.-Rice Lake, WI)* earned the Blugolds five points with a fifth place finish in the 5000-yard run. He finished with a time of 15:14.06.

The Blugolds dominated the field side of the competition as they earned points in every event.

Logan Koerten *(Fr.-Plover, WI/SPASH)* turned in a first place finish in the long jump and a second place finish in the triple jump. Koerten's first place finish in the long jump was a result of a 6.74 meter jump. Koerten jumped 13.48 meters in his triple jump performance.

Al Oleson *(Sr.-Wausau, WI/West)* and **Tim Lauer** *(So.-Whitewater, WI)* finished second and third in the shot put combining for 18 points. Oleson took second with a performance of 15.25 meters and Lauer took third with a performance of 14.93 meters.

Sam Johnson *(Jr.-Deer Park, WI/Amery)* took first in the weight throw with a toss of 17.04 meters. Johnson's throw beat second place finisher Phil Prusinski of UW-Oshkosh by .1 meters.

The Blugolds next meet will be at UW-Platteville next Saturday. It is scheduled to start at 10:30 a.m.

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