Women's Tennis Ties For Third At Warhawk Invite

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WHITEWATER, Wis. - The UW-Eau Claire women's tennis team wrapped up a two-day trip to Whitewater, tying for third place out of eight teams at the Warhawk Invite today.

Whitewater won the invite for the third consecutive season, accumulating 51 points. UW-La Crosse took second with 28, while Oshkosh and Eau Claire tied for third with 19 points.

The highest individual finisher of the day for the Blugolds was **Michelle Reinders** *(So.-Hartland, Wis./Arrowhead)*, who took third place in the No. 3 draw. She won her first match by default but then lost to eventual champion 6-0, 6-2. In the third place match, Reinders defeated Beloit College's Briana Birkowitz in straight sets with scores of 6-0, 6-0. **Gina Dahl** *(Jr.-Fort Atkinson, Wis.)* and **Jackie Gillespie** *(Fr.-De Pere, Wis.)* finished sixth in No. 1 and No. 2 singles draws, respectively.

In the No. 3 doubles draw, the Blugolds' team of **Emily Knudson** *(Fr.-Delano, Minn.)* and **Courtney Lynne** *(Jr.-Rochester, Minn./Mayo)* finished second, losing to Whitewater's Kelly Rutowski and Kathleen Kappel 6-1, 6-0 in championship. The No. 1 duo of **Brenna McCormick** *(Jr.-Greendale, Wis.)* and **Erin Welch** *(Jr.-Tomah, Wis.)* finished in third place, defeating UW-Stout's Sarah Smith and Amanda O?Keefe 6-3, 6-1 in the third place match. In the No. 2 doubles draw, **Megan Born** *(Fr.-Antigo, Wis.)* and **Emily Hiebl** *(Fr.-Wausau, Wis./East)* took sixth place.

Next Saturday the Blugolds will be at home for two matches. Eau Claire will take on UW-Oshkosh at 9 a.m. and will follow that with a meet against Luther College (Iowa) at 3 p.m.

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