Soccer Set For WIAC Quarterfinal

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EAU CLAIRE, Wis. - The UW-Eau Claire women's soccer team begins its post-season play this Saturday, taking on UW-Oshkosh at 2 p.m. at the Bollinger Fields in the first round of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) Tournament.

The Blugolds come into the tournament as the No. 2 seed with an overall record of 15-1-3. Oshkosh is seeded seventh and holds a season record of 7-9-2. In Eau Claire's game against Oshkosh earlier this year at the Bollinger Fields, the Blugolds won 4-1.

The last three years the Blugolds came into the conference tournament as the No. 1 seed. This year because of a 1-0 loss to Stevens Point, the Blugolds were unable to capture the conference title and secure the No. 1 seed.

Amy Smith *(Sr.-Bloomington, Minn./Thomas Jefferson)* comes into the game leading the Blugold offense. She has 18 goals this year and four assists for a total of 40 points. She is currently third in the WIAC in goals per game and points per game. For her career she has accumulated 46 goals and 117 points, both of which rank third on the Blugolds' all-time lists.

Allie Rivard *(Sr.-Plymouth, Minn./Wayzata)* has played every game in-goal this season and is leading the Blugolds with a goals-against-average of 0.54 and a save percentage of .815. She has picked up seven shutouts this year so far and has a total of 14 in her career.

Should the Blugolds win Saturday, they will move on to the WIAC Semifinals, which start November 7.

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