

Men's Track & Field Wins Blugold Open

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EAU CLAIRE, Wis. (UWECBlugolds.com) - For the seventh year in a row, the UW-Eau Claire men's track and field team won the Blugold Open in the Ade Olson addition of the McPhee Physical Education Center.

The Blugolds picked up the first place finish over three other teams after scoring 295 points. The University of St. Thomas (Minn.) took second with 162 and St. Mary's University (Minn.) was third with 30. The Winona State (Minn.) club team was fourth with 10.

Eau Claire picked up 10 first place finishes on the night to help secure the win.

Logan Koerten (Jr.-Plover, Wis./SPASH) took first in the 55-meter dash with a time of 6.92 while two other Blugolds were second and third. In the 55-meter hurdles, **Patrick Keyes** (Jr.-Ham Lake, Minn./Blaine) was first with a time of 7.92 and the 4x200-meter relay team also won with a time of 1:32.26.

Taking the top spot in the 800-meter run was **Adam Flyte** (Sr.-Fort Atkinson, Wis.), finishing in 1:58.22 while **Nate Kelly** (So.-Green Bay, Wis./Ashwaubenon) won the 200-meter dash in a time of 23.57. The Blugolds also took the top four spots in the 3,000-meter run as **Aric Runzheimer** (Fr.-Delafield, Wis./Kettle Moraine) led the way with a time of 9:11.51.

In the field events, **Jae Erickson** (Jr.-Green Bay, Wis./Ashwaubenon) won the pole vault with a height of 4.40 meters (14-05.25), **Kirk Schmidt** (Jr.-Athens, Wis.) won the long jump with a distance of 6.51 meters (21-04.25), **Keegan Parrott** (Fr.-Waunakee, Wis./Waunakee High School) took first in the triple jump with a distance of 13.44 meters (44-01.25) and **Joe Lilek** (So.-Tomahawk, Wis.) won the shot put with a toss of 14.37 meters (47-01.75).

The Blugolds will once again be at home next weekend, hosting a triangular that will feature UW-Stevens Point and UW-Platteville. Action is set to get underway at noon Saturday.