Wrestling Drops Dual Against Ranked Opponent

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EAU CLAIRE, Wis. (UWECBlugolds.com) - The UW-Eau Claire wrestling team won just one match as it fell 40-3 to 22nd-ranked UW-Stevens Point in a Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) dual at the McPhee Physical Education Center today.

The Blugolds drop to 1-18 in dual meets on the season and 0-5 in WIAC duals while the Pointers improve to 10-12 overall and 3-2 in the WIAC.

Andy Johnston *(Sr.-St. Cloud, Minn./Tech)* recorded the Blugolds' lone victory, winning the 149-pound match 4-2 over Kris Magruder. He has now won six out of his last seven matches.

Jon Ames *(Sr.-Genoa, Wis./Viroqua)* almost got the pin against Ben Strobel in the final seconds of the 157-pound match but ended up falling just short 6-5.

The Blugolds will now head to the WIAC Championship, which is slated for Sunday (Feb. 21) in Stevens Point. Action will get underway at 9 a.m.

UW-Stevens Point 40, UW-Eau Claire 3

125 - Jordan Poirier (SP) won by forfeit 133 - Jordan Kust (SP) major dec. over Brian Reier (EC), 11-2 141 - Lucas McGann (SP) won by forfeit 149 - Andy Johnston (EC) dec. over Kris Magruder (SP), 4-2 157 - Ben Strobel (SP) dec. over Jon Ames (EC), 6-5 165 - Jordan Schulte (SP) major dec. over Levi Polus (EC), 10-2 174 - Ryan Conat (SP) major dec. over Keith Dawson (EC), 13-4 184 - Ben Engelland (SP) pinned Will Christ (EC) in 2:15 197 - Brandon Jochem (SP) major dec. over Andy Meyer (EC), 12-0 HWT - Bret Oswald (SP) dec. over Joe Pitsch (EC), 7-4