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Women's Golf Finishes Sixth in Final Fall Event

Taryn Durham, Mallory Bishop tie for 24th overall

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - Middle Tennessee's [Leigh Wilkins](#) posted a 78 for the best individual score of the day, leading the Blue Raiders to a sixth-place finish at the Ross Resorts Invitational in Southern Pines, N.C.

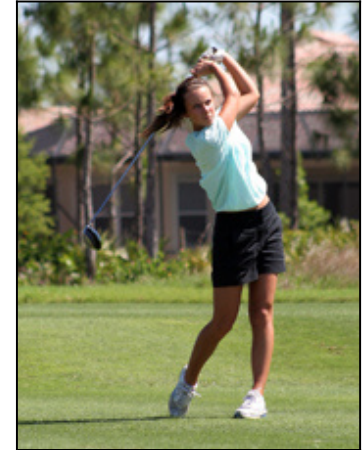
The Blue Raiders were fourth entering Tuesday's final round but posted their highest team score of the three rounds over the final 18. All five players shot between Wilkins' 78 and 82 for a team score of 318 in the final round and a three-day total of 939.

Junior [Taryn Durham](#) was tied for 11th heading into Tuesday's action but posted a round of 82. The Glasgow, Ky., native tied for 24th overall with a three-round score of 235.

Sophomore [Mallory Bishop](#) and freshman [Clara Leathers](#) both carded a final-round 79, while junior [Jamey Dillard](#) posted an 81 for her final 18 holes. Bishop tied for 24th with Durham with a three-round score of 235 and Leathers tied for 29th one stroke behind. Dillard finished at 237, tied for 31st.

Wilkins struggled through the first two rounds before carding her 78 over the final 18 holes. She tied for 45th overall with a three-round total of 245.

"We made some bad choices on the golf course, really left a lot of shots on the course," head coach Rachael Short said. "Course management just killed us, but now we know what we need to work on heading into the spring."



Sophomore Leigh Wilkins carded a team-best 78 on the final day of the Ross Resorts Invitational in Southern Pines, N.C., helping the Blue Raiders to a sixth-place team finish in their final fall event. (Bradley Lambert)

The event was the final tournament for the women this fall. The Blue Raiders next play in February in Miami, Fla., at the Pat Bradley Invitational.

ROSS RESORTS INVITATIONAL

Southern Pines, N.C.

Team Scores

Rollins College 306-294-302=902
Princeton 302-305-300=907
Harvard 311-304-307=922
Xavier 318-307-297=922
Yale 310-312-314=936
Middle Tennessee 310-312-317=939
Cincinnati 317-307-318=942
Methodist College 319-308-316=943
Kentucky 325-316-306=947
Richmond 316-322-322=960
Longwood Univ. 320-323-320=963
William & Mary 331-325-324=980
James Madison 333-318-333=984

Individual Scores

T24. [Taryn Durham](#) 77-76-82=235
T24. [Mallory Bishop](#) 77-79-79=235
T29. [Clara Leathers](#) 81-76-79=236
T31. [Jamey Dillard](#) 75-81-81=237
T54. [Leigh Wilkins](#) 83-84-78=245

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