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Bulle, Smith tie for 13th at Squire Creek Classic

Blue Raiders finish seventh overall

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CHOUDRANT, La. - Middle Tennessee finished seventh at the Louisiana Tech/Squire Creek Classic with an 11-over 875 for the tournament after playing the final two rounds at 8-over Tuesday.

Players completed the second round Tuesday morning and then played the third and final round. The second round was originally scheduled for Monday but it was suspended four after holes due to severe thunderstorms. The second round proved to be the undoing for the Blue Raiders as they shot 7-over to fall 12 shots behind leader Mississippi.

Middle Tennessee came back to play the final round at 1-over but it couldn't make up ground on the field and eventually slipped from fourth after the first round to seventh among the 18-team field.

Mississippi won the tournament at 4-under 860, followed by LSU (862) and Louisiana Tech.

[Craig Smith](#) and Kent Bulle continued to play well Tuesday as they finished tied for 13th with an even 216 for the three rounds. They also had the Blue Raiders' best round when each fired 70 in the opening round.

Rick Cochran played the second and third rounds at 1-over and finished tied for 28th with a 220, while Nick Bailes finished at 226 and [Chas Narramore](#) carded a 229 for the Blue Raiders.

La Tech/Squire Creek Classic Squire Creek Golf Course, Par 72

Final Team Scores

- 1 Mississippi 282-292-286 860 -4
- 2 Louisiana State 290-291-281 862 -2
- 3 Louisiana Tech 298-283-282 863 -1
- 4 Jacksonville St. 284-294-286 864 E
- 5 Louisiana-Lafayette 292-287-286 865 +1
- 6 Arkansas State 296-288-283 867 +3
- 7 Middle Tennessee 291-295-289 875 +11**
- 8 Charleston, Coll. of 297-297-287 881 +17
- 9 UT-Arlington 294-301-287 882 +18
- 10 New Orleans 298-299-286 883 +19
- 11 Sam Houston St. 294-293-298 885 +21
- 12 Southern Mississippi 293-297-301 891 +27
- 13 Nevada 295-301-296 892 +28
- 14 UALR 305-292-298 895 +31
- 15 Nebraska 298-299-303 900 +36
- 16 Rice 310-300-294 904 +40
- 17 ULM 307-309-290 906 +42
- 18 North Texas 304-306-297 907 +43

7 MT Team Scores 875 +11

- T13 [Craig Smith](#) 70-74-72 216 E
T13 Kent Bulle 70-73-73 216 E
T28 Rick Cochran 75-74-71 220 +4
T61 Nick Bailes 79-74-73 226 +10
T73 [Chas Narramore](#) 76-78-75 229 +13



Craig Smith had his best finish of the fall at the Louisiana Tech/Squire Creek Classic. (Bradley Lambert)