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Narramore named Golfweek's National Player of the Week

Senior golfer went unbeaten at Callaway Match Play Championship

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - Middle Tennessee senior golfer **Chas Narramore** was named Golfweek's National Player of the Week Monday. (B. Lambert)

Chas Narramore's perfect week at the Callaway Match Play Championship has earned him Golfweek's National Player of the Week award.

Narramore, a senior from Kingston, Tenn., went 3-0 to help the Blue Raiders win the Callaway Match Play Championship at The Farms Golf Club in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., last week. Narramore defeated Indiana's Alex Martin in the championship match to cap his perfect week.

"I'm excited, a little shocked, but excited about this award because there are so many players across the nation that could have been picked, including several guys on our team," Narramore said. "I'm just glad our team could enjoy the success we did at a national event. This gives us great confidence of what we can accomplish against some of the best golf teams in the nation. We already believe in ourselves and what we know we can do but it always helps to have that reassurance. I think we proved a lot about our game and our team at The Callaway."

Narramore also proved a great deal about himself. Hampered with an ankle injury throughout the late spring that impacted his game into the early spring, Narramore has continued to rehab while playing at less than 100 percent. Each week has seen Narramore show improvement during the spring season and his play took a major turn at last week's event.

The two-time All-SBC First-Team selection shot 4-over and tied for 17th in the two rounds of medal play to help Middle Tennessee earn one of the eight spots in the championship bracket. He was solid with a 72 in the opening round before closing with a 76 in the second round. His play down the stretch helped the Blue Raiders solidify a spot in the championship bracket.

"Chas is a hard-working kid and he battled through some tough times for the first time in a long time with that ankle, but he kept battling and working and that's why he is getting the positive results now," Middle Tennessee Head Coach Whit Turnbow said. "With his level of talent and the work he puts in, it was just a matter of time. He's been working hard on his putting the last few months and it showed at The Callaway because he made some big winning putts. He certainly deserves this recognition because Chas works hard for it."

Narramore has several solid moments at The Callaway but his biggest may have been one of the most impressive matches of the tournament when he defeated Florida State's Matt Savage 7 and 6 in the semifinals. He also beat San Diego State's Andrew Cooley in the opening round of match play to help lead Middle Tennessee to an upset of the No. 2 seed.

The Blue Raiders beat the tournament's top three seeds on their way to the championship.

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