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Blue Raiders third at Squire Creek Classic Bulle finishes fourth overall

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RUSTON, La. - Middle Tennessee could not put together another comeback on Tuesday but did collect another top five finish by placing third at the Squire Creek Classic. The Blue Raiders shot a 6-over par 294 in the final round to end the 54-hole tournament with an 867.

Fellow conference foe New Orleans easily won the event with a 10-under par 854 while Southeastern Louisiana came in second at 863. Behind MT was Rice in fourth and Sam Houston State in fifth.

"Another solid week for our team," said Head Coach Whit Turnbow. "This is the best finish we've ever had here at Squire Creek. Anytime you can pick up 13 wins, you gotta feel good about it. We've got work to do, and we'll get after it for the next couple weeks."

Senior **Kent Bulle** continued his steady play by carding an even par 72 in the final round to finish fourth overall with a 212 total. Bulle shared the tournament lead with 14 birdies and also tied for the best par 5 scoring at 6-under par.

"Kent was good all week and I am very proud of him," added Turnbow. "The young guys like Hunter (Green) and Brad (Simons) continue to impress me."

Sophomore **Hunter Green** opened the tournament with an impressive 69 before finishing with a 74 and 76 to tie for 19th. Green had a 219 total.

Junior **Jason Millard** and sophomore **Brad Simons** both tied for 28th with 220 scores. Millard had a 74 in the final round while Simons was even par for his best round of the tournament.

Senior **Craig Smith** had a disappointing day by registering a 78 for a 224 total. Smith slipped into a tie for 41st for the tournament.

The Blue Raiders will be back in action on Oct. 26-27 at the Aldila Intercollegiate in Chattanooga.

TEAM SCORES

- 1 New Orleans, U. of 287 280 287 854 -10
- 2 Southeastern La. U. 290 283 290 863 -1
- 3 Middle Tennessee 287 286 294 867 +3
- 4 Rice University 296 285 288 869 +5
- 5 Sam Houston St. U. 300 289 290 879 +15
- 6 Louisiana Tech Univ. 287 299 296 882 +18
- South Alabama, U. of 299 286 297 882 +18
- 8 Stephen F. Austin St 294 295 294 883 +19
- 9 Jacksonville St. 301 288 296 885 +21
- 10 Southern Mississippi 297 293 296 886 +22



Senior Kent Bulle finished fourth at the Squire Creek Classic Tuesday for his best finish of the fall season. ()

11 UALR 290 289 308 887 +23
Louisiana Tech Blue 302 279 306 887 +23
13 Arkansas State U. 307 294 295 896 +32
14 North Texas, U. of 300 298 301 899 +35
15 UNC Greensboro 306 306 296 908 +44
16 Troy University 310 300 310 920 +56

MT SCORES

4 **Kent Bulle** 72 68 72 212
T 19 **Hunter Green** 69 74 76 219
T 28 **Jason Millard** 73 73 74 220
T 28 **Brad Simons** 73 75 72 220
T 41 **Craig Smith** 75 71 78 224

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