

March 6, 2010

Blue Raiders remain in 2nd; Smith tied for 7th

Final round set for Sunday

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DADE CITY, Fla. - Middle Tennessee shot a 286 on Saturday to remain in second place at the USF Invitational. The Blue Raiders own a 36-hole score of 574 and are just five strokes back of first place Florida Southern.

"We played solid golf today," said head coach Whit Turnbow. "Kent (Bulle) and Craig (Smith) were awesome all day long. If we have any hopes of winning this tournament, then we have to step it up from the top to the bottom of our lineup tomorrow."

Senior [Craig Smith](#), who had seven birdies on the day, carded a 3-under par 69 to move into a tie for seventh overall. Smith has a 141 total to stand eight shots back of the individual lead.

Fellow senior [Kent Bulle](#) made a major move up the leaderboard with a team-best 68 on Saturday that included four straight birdies to begin the back nine. Bulle is tied for 19th overall with a 144.

[Hunter Green](#) registered a 74 to tie for 30th overall while [Brad Simons](#) had a 76 to fall into a tie for 36th.

[Jason Millard](#), playing in his first tournament of the spring, recorded a 75 and is in a tie for 42nd with a 148.

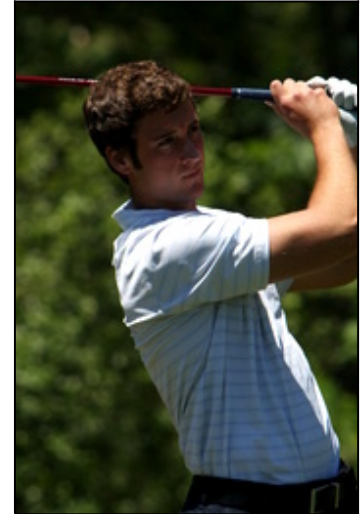
The Blue Raiders will play the final round beginning Sunday morning at 8 AM.

TEAM SCORES

1 Florida Southern Col -7 F -7 288 281 569
2 Middle Tennessee -2 F -2 288 286 574
T3 North Florida, U. of -1 F +1 286 289 575
T3 South Alabama, U. of -1 F -7 294 281 575
T3 Xavier University -1 F -4 291 284 575
6 Nebraska, U. of +1 F -8 297 280 577
T7 Arkansas State U. +3 F +2 289 290 579
T7 Louisville, U. of +3 F -3 294 285 579
9 Campbell University +5 F +5 288 293 581
10 Eastern Michigan U. +6 F +3 291 291 582
11 So. Florida, U. of +8 F +5 291 293 584
12 Jacksonville St. +10 F +8 290 296 586
13 Columbus St. U. +13 F +4 297 292 589
14 Troy Univ. +14 F +9 293 297 590
15 De Paul University +18 F +8 298 296 594
16 Missouri State +20 F +12 296 300 596
17 Villanova University +21 F +15 294 303 597
T18 Florida Atlantic U. +24 F +17 295 305 600
T18 Marquette University +24 F +15 297 303 600
20 Cincinnati, U. of +25 F +13 300 301 601
21 Rhode Island, U. of +31 F +17 302 305 607
22 Austin Peay State U. +35 F +21 302 309 611
23 Marshall University +41 F +14 315 302 617

MT SCORES

T7 [Craig Smith](#) (2) 72 69 141
T19 [Kent Bulle](#) (1) 76 68 144
T30 [Hunter Green](#) (3) 72 74 146
T36 [Brad Simons](#) (4) 71 76 147
T42 [Jason Millard](#) (5) 73 75 148



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