Two Blue Raiders in top ten at Kiawah Island Classic

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CHARLESTON, S.C. - Olivia Love and Morgan Hale both had a strong start to their spring campaign, finishing the first round of the Edwin Watts Kiawah Island Classic ranked among the top ten. Collectively, the Blue Raiders are in a tie for 13th (of 33) after shooting a 20-over 308 at Cougar Point Golf Course (Par 72, 6001 yards). "To count a 72 and a 73 is great," head coach Chris Adams said. "But we cannot count an 83 in an event like this. The conditions were nearly perfect. I don't think we're out of it by any means, but we have some work to do." James Madison and Miami currently hold the top spot in the event, each finishing at eight-over. Of the other Sun Belt schools, FIU is in fourth at 10-over, and Arkansas State is 21st at 29-over. Love posted one of the best rounds of her career, picking up five birdies en route to an even-par showing. The sophomore is currently tied for sixth in the 172-player field. Morgan Hale, who is coming off of a third place finish in this event last season, birdied four holes and ended the day tied for eighth at one-over. Karisa Akin overcame a difficult front nine, shooting a two-over on the back. The junior ended the day with an eight-over 80 and sits tied for 85th. Both Ashley Haggard and Natalie Chrisopulos carded an 11-over 83. Middle Tennessee will begin second round play tomorrow at Oak Point Golf Course at Kiawah Island Golf Resort. Live scoring will be up at Golfstat.com with a daily recap available at GoBlueRaiders.com.

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