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Golf

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Bearcats win third and fourth tournaments of fall

The Bearcats played 72 holes of tournament golf in a three-day span, winning the team's third and fourth invitationals of the fall. On Saturday, BU captured the Columbia Invitational at Great Hope GC in Westover, Md. (300-293). Two days later, Binghamton rallied past Navy for a five-stroke win at the Rehoboth Beach Invite in Delaware. The Bearcats set a new tournament record in the process (298-299). Senior **Adam Fuchs (Plainview, N.Y./JFK-Plainview)** shot 73-73 to earn runner-up honors in Maryland, and junior teammate **Keith Hendrickson (Syosset, N.Y.)** carded a pair of 73s to place second in Delaware.

Team is racking up wins at record place

Binghamton is steamrolling through the fall season, and now has a remarkable 64-2-2 record (.956) after the first five tournaments. The only teams that have defeated BU thus far are Yale and Central Connecticut — both NCAA teams from a year ago. With three tournaments to play in the fall season, and another five in the spring season, BU is halfway toward tying the program's record for tournament wins in a year. Three different Binghamton teams won eight tournaments in a year (1992-93, 1993-94 and 1995-96). That 1992-93 team went a combined 196-7-4 — still the best winning percentage (.956) in program history.

Freshmen make strong debuts in two tournaments

Freshmen **Chris McLaughlin (Northport, N.Y.)** and **Matt Mattingly (Manlius, N.Y./Centennial)** made their collegiate debuts, playing as individuals in the field. McLaughlin shot 74-76 to place sixth. Mattingly shot 79-76 to tie for 17th. On Monday, each player came in at 153 to tie for 16th place overall.

Fuchs on a 15-tournament roll

Senior standout **Adam Fuchs (Plainview, N.Y./JFK-Plainview)** has reached a new level of consistency. The team captain has now placed among the top-10 in 15 consecutive tournaments dating back to last fall. During that time, he has won three tournaments and placed in the top-5 in four others.

Up Next: BU will host ECAC Championship at Hiawatha Links

For the first time in program history, Binghamton will host a championship tournament when the ECAC Division I Championship is contested at The Links at Hiawatha Landing this Saturday and Sunday. Ivy league schools Harvard, Brown and Penn will join America East rival and defending ECAC champion Hartford in the 36-hole championship. The 17-team event will begin Saturday at 9 a.m., and continue Sunday morning. The Links, playing 7,104 from the back tees, will present a stiff challenge to the tournament field. Hartford won the rain-shortened 2001 event with a 299, followed by Rider (308) and Binghamton (309). This will be the second year the championship is exclusively a Division I event. Prior to last year, the tournament was open to top Division III and II schools as well. Binghamton has never won the ECAC Championship, but finished second in 1992 and 2000.

"It's a special honor to bring the ECAC championship to Binghamton for the first time," head coach John Affleck said. "The tournament should be a nice combination of golf and academics with the Ivy schools here, plus our America East rival Hartford. I think it's what college athletics should be about - top golf and top grades."

2002 Fall Schedule/Results

SEPTEMBER

7 Sat.-	@ Colgate Invitational	1st of 22
8 Sun.	at Seven Oaks GC	
13 Fri.-	@ Bucknell Invitational	1st of 16
14 Sat.	at Bucknell Golf Course	
21 Sat.-	@ Dartmouth Tourn.	T-3rd of 17
22 Sun.	at Hanover CC	
28 Sat.	@ Columbia Invitational at Great Hope GC (Md.)	1st of 8
30 Mon.	@ Rehoboth Beach Invit. at Kings Creek CC, Del.	1st of 10

OCTOBER

5 Sat.-	ECAC CHAMPIONSHIP	9 a.m.
6 Sun.	at Hiawatha Links	
19 Sat.-	BU INVITATIONAL	10 a.m.
20 Sun.	at En-Joie GC	9 a.m.
22 Tue.-	@ The Tillinghast	TBA
23 Wed.	at Quaker Ridge GC	

Top Stroke Averages

Name	Tot	Low	Avg.
Adam Fuchs	725	-3	72.5
Keith Hendrickson	746	even	74.6
Joe Kunz	750	-1	75.0
Brad Moulton	756	+1	75.6