

Lynch leads golfers to sixth-place finish

By Jon Giokas
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The Demon Deacon men's golf team finished in sixth place at last weekend's ACC Men's Golf Championships with a three-day total of 865 at the par 72, 7,012-yard Old North State Club in New London, NC.

The tournament was won by the Clemson Tigers, who put together a stunning total of 28-under par.

As anyone who has followed ACC golf this season might have guessed, the Yellow Jackets of Geor-

gia Tech finished right behind Clemson, in second place.

Clemson's Charles Warren successfully defended the individual ACC title he won last year with an 11-under par total of 205.

Senior Todd Lynch continued his strong play of late, pacing the Deacs with an even par total of 216, good for a tie for 20th place.

Fellow senior Ray Floyd, Jr. recovered from a first-round 77 by playing the last two rounds in three-under par, to finish in 26th place.

Senior Ryan Gioffre was one shot behind, in a tie for 27th place and

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juniors Juan Vizcaya and Michael Capone tied for 37th in the individual portion of the tournament.

The Deacons' chances were all but dead after a first-round 295, which left them in last place.

The Deacs rebounded to shoot a

6-under-par 282, the best round of the day.

They followed that with an even-par final round, but that still left them in sixth place, 29 shots behind the Clemson Tigers.

"We got off to a slow start, obviously, we played well after that" Coach Jerry Haas said.

"Clemson played awesome. It would have been real hard to beat them."

Haas noted that the Deacs' poor, first-round performance could be attributed to their play over a three-hole stretch.

"We had a stretch of holes, 13, 14 and 15 that we played eight or ten over as a team," Haas said.

The Deacs had six individual rounds that were equal to or below par.

However, only one of those came in the first round.

In winning the tournament, Clemson set a new 54-hole record, breaking the record set by the Deacons in 1980.

N.C. State took home third place and North Carolina finished in fourth, with the University of Virginia in fifth place.

Competition for the individual title was tight as well.

After Warren, Don Hill of Clemson finished in second place. Defending U.S. Amateur champion Matt Kuchar, who competed in last week's Masters in Augusta, GA, was one shot back of Hill and two behind Warren.

Overall, 19 players finished the tournament below par.

The next step on the Deacs' road to the NCAA Championships are the NCAA Regionals in May. The team looks to gain some momentum for the tourney.

Deacs hit stride for postseason

By Jessica Reigle
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The 11th-ranked Demon Deacons women's tennis team is regaining the strength it demonstrated earlier this season, just in time for the upcoming ACC Tournament.

The Deacs concluded their regular season play this weekend with two sweeping victories over North Carolina and N.C. State.

The Deacons began their successful weekend with a 9-0 shut-out over the Heels. Both singles and doubles action was completely dominated by the Deacs, and the team won all six singles matches in straight sets.

Freshman Mariel Verban continued to display immense talent, crushing UNC's Jessica Zaganczyk 6-0, 6-3 at No.1 singles.

Senior Lule Aydin blew by her opponent at the No. 2 spot, claiming a 6-3, 6-2 win.

Junior Nicola Kaiwai, freshman Dorothee Kurz, sophomore Annemarie Milton, and freshman Jackie Houston all won their singles matches, further contributing to the Deac victory.

The powerhouse doubles team of Kaiwai and Kurz, ranked seventh in the nation, stomped their UNC opponents 8-3 at the No.1 spot.

Aydin and Verban defeated Sarah Hawkins and Courtney Zalinski 8-4 at No. 2, and junior Caroline Ullring and Annemarie Milton paired up to win at No. 3 doubles, securing the Deacon victory.

The Deacs carried their strong play through the weekend, defeating N.C. State 8-1 April 18 afternoon at the Indoor Tennis Center.

Once again, the Deacons dominated the entire match, winning five out of six singles matches, along with all three doubles matches.

Verban downed N.C. State's Blair Sutton 6-0, 6-1 at the No.1 singles spot.

Aydin, Kurz, Milton and Houston continued this winning streak, as each won



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Junior Nicola Kaiwai lunges for a smash at the net in a recent match for the Demon Deacons at Leighton Stadium.

their respective singles match.

Aydin and Verban paired up at No.1 doubles to destroy N.C. State's team of Sutton and Nena Bonacic 8-2.

Milton and Ullring claimed another win for the Deacs at No. 2 doubles, and the Deacon team victory was clinched by Houston and Hiete's strong play at the No. 3 spot.

The Deacons stand at 15-7 overall and 7-1 in ACC play and are ranked No. 2 in

the ACC, following the conclusion of regular season play.

The ACC Tournament held in Atlanta, Ga., is the next challenge for the Deacs, who will resume play on April 24 when they face Georgia Tech, seeded seventh in the ACC.

Head Coach Lew Gerrard's goal for the ACC Tournament is for the Deacs to make it far enough to battle top seeded Duke in the finals April 26.

Duke downs Deacs in exciting match

Team splits ACC matches during the week, will face Virginia in first round of the ACCs

By Sean Blue
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The men's tennis team went 1-1 over the weekend, defeating N.C. State and barely dropping one to Duke.

The Deacs faced N.C. State first and came out with a 4-3 victory to raise their record to 14-9 overall.

All three doubles teams won to secure the doubles point.

Senior Myles Clouston and freshman Raul Munoz teamed up in first doubles for a 9-8 victory.

In second and third doubles, the teams of sophomore Andres Guzman and senior Jimmy Chou and junior Billy Gluck and freshman Johan Hansen, respectively, all won their matches 8-3 respectively.

The Deacs dropped the first two singles matches, but rebounded by winning at third and fourth singles.

Clouston dropped his first singles match after three tough sets, 6-4, 3-6, 4-6.

In second doubles, Gluck fell 1-6, 2-6.

Munoz got the team back in the mix in third singles with a 6-2, 6-4 victory.

Hansen followed up with a 6-1, 6-2 victory in fourth singles.

N.C. State evened things up at 3-3, however, with a victory in fifth singles as Guzman fell 5-7, 4-6.

The match came down to the final game, sixth singles. Freshman Lars Kabiersch took all three sets to finally defeat Devang Desai of N.C. State 6-3, 3-6, 7-5 and secured the 4-3 victory for the Deacs.

The next match against No. 13 Duke proved to be just as close, ending in Duke's favor.

Clouston and Munoz dropped the first doubles match 5-8, but the teams of Guzman/Chou and Gluck/Hansen won their matches to take the doubles point for the Deacs.

Guzman and Chou went to the wire in second doubles, eventually pulling out a victory by a score of 9-8.

In third singles, Gluck and Hansen easily dispatched of the competition 8-4.

Clouston started the Deacs off on the right foot with a victory at first singles, however, Hansen was the only other Deac able to pull out a victory in singles play.

Clouston defeated Doug Root of Duke in two sets 6-3, 6-4.

Hansen also won 6-3, 6-4 in fourth singles over Ramsey Smith of Duke.

The Demon Deacons finished their regular season against Duke and are now preparing for the ACC Championships beginning today.

The Demon Deacons, seeded sixth, will open play in the second round against third seeded Virginia.

For the season, Clouston was the leader, finishing with a record of 28-12 in singles play.

In doubles play, Clouston was again the leader as he teamed up with Munoz to finish with a record of 27-7 overall.

Munoz was undefeated in ACC play with a perfect 5-0 record in singles matches a perfect 5-0 record in doubles play with Clouston.

Clouston was right behind his partner in singles play, with a strong 4-1 record in the ACC.

Prieto makes the most of her first ever ACC Championship

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player in the conference this spring.

Prieto began the final round three shots ahead of Chausiriporn. After a birdie by Chausiriporn and a Prieto bogey on the 15th hole, the lead was cut to one.

Chausiriporn went on to bogey the 16th hole, however, and Prieto held her ground over the final two holes to take the title.

Deacon senior Alexandra Armas closed a brilliant collegiate career with a total of 227 to finish in fourth place.

Kristen Wagner, who tied for ninth place, was the third Demon Deacon in the top ten, and teammates sophomores Kelly Kirwin and Kerri Murphy finished in 15th and 19th place, respectively.

Armas and Prieto were both named All-ACC.

The Demon Deacons led the team portion of the tournament after the first round, as they stood five shots ahead of Duke with a score of 300.

The Blue Devils took control of the tournament in the second round, as the Deacons faltered with a team score of 313.

In the fatal second round, Armas and Prieto tied for the lowest individual score with a 76.

Head Coach Dianne Dailey was very pleased with her team's performance.

"We played a lot better than we have all spring. We had a 300 in the first round, and that's the best round we've had all spring," Dailey said. "We had a lot more consistency than we have in the past."

Dailey refused to blame the Deacons' rough second round on the weather which was played on the same day as the comple-

tion of the first round because the first was postponed because of rain.

"I just think we didn't play quite as sharply as we did the first day. The putts just weren't falling."

From here, the Deacons will move on to the NCAA Regional tournament.

If they qualify, the team will compete in the NCAA Championships which will be held in May

Deacons strengthen bid for postseason with wins

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Junior John Hendricks (10-2) became the ACC's first 10 game winner this season in going the distance in the shortened game in his fifth consecutive complete game.

Hendricks gave up two runs on five hits and one walk while fanning five Maryland batters.

With two runs in the first inning and five in the second, the Demon Deacons put the game out of reach early and gave Hendricks all the support he needed.

The big hits in the second inning came in the form of a two-RBI single by Ben Danosky that scored junior Andrew Riepe and Chase Voshell and a two-RBI triple by Jon Palmieri that scored both Danosky and Scott Daeley.

After Palmieri scored on a wild pitch, the Deacs had built an insurmountable 7-0 advantage.

In the fifth inning, a single by senior Sunny Chiou to right field scored both Riepe and senior

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Will Rikard to up the lead to the final 10-2 margin before the game was called two batters later leaving two men on base with one out.

The two bit hitters in the contest for the Deacons were Danosky, who finished the day 3-for-3 at the plate with two RBI, two doubles and three runs scored and Palmieri who went 2-for-2 with three RBI, a triple and a run scored.

With April 19th's win, the Deacs upped their record to 29-16 on the season and 10-10 in ACC play with three conference games remaining April 24-26 at Virginia.

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL Standings

	ACC	Overall
FSU	14 2	37 12
Clem.	10 4	37 7
NCSU	9 6	29 15
UNC	10 7	27 16
GaT.	9 8	28 16
WFU	10 10	29 16
Duke	5 12	32 14
UVa.	5 12	23 18
Md.	3 14	18 22

Statistics

Batting Average	Avg.
Jon Palmieri, WFU	.424
Matt Padgett, Clem.	.416
Jake Webber, NCSU	.413
Brian Ward, NCSU	.405
Corey Slavik, WFU	.388
Doubles	No.
Jon Palmieri, WFU	24

Brian Ward, NCSU	22
Jarrett Shearin, UNC	18
Jay Hood, GaT.	17
Brian Roberts, UNC	17
Jonathan Mason, FSU	17

Victories	No.
John Hendricks, WFU	10
Stephen Cowie, Duke	9
Ryan Mottl, Clem.	8
Brent Reid, Duke	7
Matt Ambrosia, GaT.	7

ERA	Avg.
John Bentley, FSU	2.22
Derrick DePriest, UNC	2.63
Brian Adams, Clem.	2.72
John Hendricks, WFU	2.75
Stephen Cowie, Duke	2.90
Porner Darnell, UNC	2.47

THIS WEEK

Apr. 23	Men's and Women's Tennis at ACC Championships
	Men's and Women's Track at Penn Relays

Apr. 24	Men's and Women's Tennis at ACC Championships
	Baseball at Virginia, 3 p.m.

Apr. 25	Men's and Women's Tennis at ACC Championships
	Baseball at Virginia, 2 p.m.

Apr. 26	Men's and Women's Track at Penn Relays in Philadelphia, Pa.
	Baseball at Virginia, 1 p.m.

Apr. 27	Men's and Women's Track at Penn Relays in Philadelphia, Pa.
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Apr. 28	Baseball at UNC-Asheville, 6 p.m.
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Apr. 29	Men's Track at Penn Relays in Philadelphia, PA
	Baseball at UNC-Charlotte, 6 p.m.
	Women's Track at Penn Relays