

2006 North Central Conference Golf Championships

October 7-9 * Sioux Falls, S.D.

Women's Championship – Day 3 Minnehaha Country Club 5896 Yards / Par 72

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. – Augustana's Courtney Belanger won a 1-hole playoff to earn medalist honors, while Nebraska-Omaha won the team title at the North Central Conference Women's Golf Championships Monday at Minnehaha Country Club.

Belanger, a freshman, shot an 81 on Monday to tie second-round leader Lindsay Newton of UNO. Both players finished at 235. However, Belanger parred the first playoff hole, while Newton had a bogey after her approach shot landed in a bunker.

UNO, which had a 10-shot lead after 2 rounds, shot a 336 on Monday to hold on for its third NCC crown, and first since 2003.

Augustana made a final day charge. The Vikings shot 331 to trim the deficit in half to earn runner-up honors, the program's best-ever finish.

North Dakota finished third at 976, followed by Minnesota State at 1009 and South Dakota at 1036. St. Cloud State had its entire team disqualified, but SCSU is appealing the final results.

Lynn Mulligan of UNO was third individually at 238, while 2005 NCC champion Carley Roach of Augustana was fourth. North Dakota's Sarah Lucken rounded out the top five.

Men's Championship – Day 3 Minnehaha Country Club 6413 Yards / Par 71

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. – Minnesota State overcame a 7-shot deficit entering the final round to earn a share of the NCC Men's Golf Championship with Augustana Monday at Minnehaha Country Club.

It is MSU's 11th title overall and first since 2000. For Augustana, it is the Vikings' first-ever NCC golf title.

Mitch Olinger led Minnesota State's charge. Olinger fired a 74 on Monday to claim medalist honors at 227. He edged out Augustana's Chris Mithelman who finished at 230 following a final round 76.

The Vikings and Mavericks each finished the 54-hole tournament with scores of 928. North Dakota finished third at 942, while South Dakota was fourth at 961. St. Cloud State had its entire team disqualified, but SCSU is appealing the final results.

Augustana placed four golfers in the top 10, while MSU had three. Joining Mithelman in the top 10 for Augie were Matt Pridey (3rd), Aaron Hieb (7th) and Brett Benson (tie-8th). Olinger was joined by MSU teammates Pete Lacoursiere (4th) and Arron Nelson (tie-8th).

Women's Results

Team Scores

Nebraska-Omaha, 320-310-336 = 966
Augustana, 321-319-331 = 971
North Dakota, 326-321-329 = 976
Minnesota State, 333-328-348 = 1009
South Dakota, 341-336-359 = 1036
St. Cloud State, 347-347-Disqualified

Individual Leaders – Top 10

*1. Courtney Belanger (AC), 76-78-81 = 235
2. Lindsay Newtown (UNO), 76-75-84 = 235
3. Lynn Mulligan (UNO), 76-77-85 = 238
4. Carley Roach (AC), 81-76-84 = 241
5. Sarah Lucken (UND), 80-80-83 = 243
6. Amanda Young (USD), 81-78-87 = 246
T7. Erin Ommen (UNO), 82-82-83 = 247
T7. Kristi Lucken (UND), 84-79-84 = 247
T7. Amanda Kaler (UND), 82-84-81 = 247
T10. Laura Strautz (AC), 82-83-84 = 249
T10. Joelle Kowalczyk (AC), 82-85-82 = 249

1 Nebraska-Omaha	320 310 336 966
2 Lindsay Newton	76 75 84 235
3 Lynn Mulligan	76 77 85 238
T 7 Erin Ommen	82 82 83 247
T 12 Sara Wolfe	88 78 84 250
T 18 Kate O'Dea	86 80 86 252

2 Augustana	321 319 331 971
** 1 Courtney Belanger	76 78 81 235
4 Carley Roach	81 76 84 241
T 10 Laura Strautz	82 83 84 249
T 10 Joelle Kowalczyk	82 85 82 249
T 12 Kelly Lauer	83 82 85 250

3 North Dakota	326 321 329 976
5 Sarah Lucken	80 80 83 243
T 7 Kristi Lucken	84 79 84 247
T 7 Amanda Kaler	82 84 81 247
T 12 Natalie Ruppert	80 89 81 250
17 Kayla Mattfeld	88 78 85 251

4 Minnesota State	333 328 348 1009
T 12 Trisha Schill	84 81 85 250
T 12 Michelle Reiners	80 87 83 250
T 18 Katie Mettling	81 81 90 252
20 Alecia Prins	88 79 90 257
T 23 Alix Bergman	90 89 91 270

5 South Dakota	341 336 359 1036
6 Amanda Young	81 78 87 246
21 Amber Luijens	87 79 95 261
22 Brooke Bonte	88 88 90 266
T 23 Kendra Neugebauer	85 91 94 270
25 Candice Bonrud	90 95 88 273

DNF St. Cloud State	347 347 DNF
DQ Megan Hagemer	84 89 DQ
DQ Brooke Bezek	88 85 DQ
DQ Tara Israelson	86 88 DQ
DQ Quinn Scarborough	95 85 DQ
DQ Lee Zutz	89 89 DQ

*** Belanger recorded a par on the first playoff hole (No. 1), while Newton had a bogey.*

St. Cloud State has filed an appeal of the final results.

Men's Results

Team Scores

Augustana, 314-295 = 609
Minnesota State, 308-308 = 616
North Dakota, 310-316-316 = 942
South Dakota, 328-321-312 = 961
St. Cloud State, 312-305-Disqualified

Individual Leaders – Top 10

1. Mitch Olinger (MSU), 76-77-74 = 227
2. Chris Mithelman (AC), 76-78-76 = 230
3. Matt Pridey (AC), 76-76-79 = 231
4. Pete Lacoursiere (MSU), 79-75-78 = 232
T5. Jon Peterson (UND), 74-81-78 = 233
T5. Brett Bennet (USD), 79-77-77 = 233
7. Aaron Hieb (AC), 81-70-83 = 234
T8. Brett Benson (AC), 81-72-82 = 235
T8. Arron Nelson (MSU), 78-80-77 = 235
T8. Grant Corbett (UND), 79-76-80 = 235

T 1 Augustana	314 295 319 928
2 Chris Mithelman	76 78 76 230
3 Matt Pridey	76 76 79 231
7 Aaron Hieb	81 70 83 234
T 8 Brett Benson	81 72 82 235
T 14 Zach Vogt	82 77 82 241

T 1 Minnesota State	308 308 312 928
1 Mitch Olinger	76 77 74 227
4 Pete Lacoursiere	79 75 78 232
T 8 Arron Nelson	78 80 77 235
T 12 Branden Loesch	75 78 87 240
T 14 Jake Spott	80 78 83 241

3 North Dakota	310 316 316 942
T 5 Jon Peterson	74 81 78 233
T 8 Grant Corbett	79 76 80 235
11 Dan Peterson	81 78 79 238
T 14 Dustin Steiner	78 81 82 241
18 Carson Thompson	79 85 79 243

4 South Dakota	328 321 312 961
T 5 Brett Bennet	79 77 77 233
T 12 Bryan Bye	82 82 76 240
T 14 Ryan Bak	87 78 76 241
19 Matt Rantapaa	83 84 84 251
20 Mark Turner	84 87 83 254

DNF St. Cloud State	312 305 DNF
DQ Travis Ross	77 75 DQ
DQ Danny Anderson	78 76 DQ
DQ John Ciplef	83 78 DQ
DQ Theo Frentzos	80 79 DQ
DQ Jake Zilkoski	77 76 DQ

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