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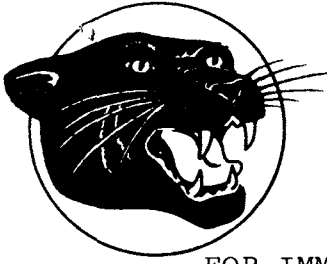
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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, IL (April 8, 1986)--Eastern Illinois University's golf team, coming off a sixth-place finish at the Southern Illinois-Edwardsville Invitational last Saturday, will compete in two tournaments this weekend.

The Panthers are entered in the 18-hole Vincennes Invitational on Friday (April 11) at Vincennes, Indiana and in the 36-hole Indianapolis Intercollegiate Invitational on Sunday and Monday (April 13-14) at Indianapolis, Indiana.

EIU began the spring season on April 4-5 at the SIU-E tournament, where the Panthers had a team score of 642 at the par-72 Belk Memorial Park Golf Course and the par-71 Tamarack Country Club Golf Course. Ferris State (Mich.) won the 12-team invitational with a team score of 621.

Eastern graduate student BRENT HERRIN (Harrisburg) tied with three others for fourth place in the tournament with a 77-77--154. Senior JOE FREMGEN (Villa Park-Willowbrook) shot an 81-78--159, and junior TODD LINDSEY (Mason City) carded an 81-83--164. Junior Clay Snyder (Champaign-Centennial) fired an 84-81--165, and freshman TODD BITTLE (Harrisburg) had a 91-84--175.

"Brent worked hard on his game over spring break and it showed at the tournament," said EIU first-year coach Paul Lueken. "In fact, they (the players) all played hard on spring break."

Fremgen, Snyder and Bittle improved during the second round, while Herrin shot the same score in both rounds. "I thought we progressed as the tournament went on," Lueken said. "We did better on the second day. All these schools had southern trips, which gave them a jump on us. We did all right for the first time out."

The Panthers, who were third last fall in the Association of Mid-Continent Universities Conference Tournament behind Fremgen's fourth-place, all-conference performance, will conclude their spring season on April 17-18 at the Big Blue Classic in Springfield. Millikin will host the 36-hole tournament at The Rail Golf Club.

Members of the Eastern squad who did not compete in the SIU-E Invitational were senior MITCH MYERS (Argenta-Oreana), juniors BOB MCCORMICK (Beecher) and MIKE WOLLAM (Crystal Lake-South) and freshman JEFF SCHAFER (Effingham).

EASTERN ILLINOIS GOLF ROSTER

| Player | Year | Hometown (High School) |
|---------------|----------|--------------------------|
| Todd Bittle | Freshman | Harrisburg |
| Joe Fremgen | Senior | Villa Park (Willowbrook) |
| Brent Herrin | Graduate | Harrisburg |
| Todd Lindsey | Junior | Mason City |
| Bob McCormick | Junior | Beecher |
| Mitch Myers | Senior | Argenta (Oreana) |
| Jeff Schafer | Freshman | Effingham |
| Clay Snyder | Junior | Champaign (Centennial) |
| Mike Wollam | Junior | Crystal Lake (South) |

EASTERN ILLINOIS GOLF SCHEDULE

| Date | Tournament | Site |
|-------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| April 4-5 | SIU-E Invitational | Edwardsville, Illinois |
| April 11 | Vincennes Invit. | Vincennes, Indiana |
| April 13-14 | Indianapolis Invit. | Indianapolis, Indiana |
| April 17-18 | Big Blue Classic | Springfield, Illinois |