

## Red Wolves get first in golf



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The Arkansas State women's golf team won The Atlantic Invitational at Fountain Lakes Country Club.

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Madison Tenore earned individual medalist honors as the Arkansas State women's golf team claimed its second event title of the season winning The Atlantic Invitational Tuesday at Fountain Lakes Country Club.

With all six players finishing inside the top 10 individually, A-State posted a 4-over par 288 in the final round to register the second-lowest 54-hole total in program history at 10-over par 862. It is the third consecutive event with a 54-hole total landing among the top six in program history. The Red Wolves topped Quinnipiac (+45) by 35 strokes while Marshall (+47), Keiser University (+57), Illinois State (+61), Eastern Michigan (+69) and Lehigh (+80) rounded out the seven-team field. The tournament title is the 16th under head coach M.J. Desbiens Shaw and the 40th top three finish in 14 seasons.

Playing in her fourth tournament for A-State, Tenore won individual co-medalist honors, the first medalist for

the Red Wolves since Olivia Schmidt won the 2022 Lady Red Wolves Classic and first in a road event since Schmidt won the 2022 ORU Spring Invite. Leading by three strokes entering the final round, Tenore finished up a 1-under par 212 (69-70-73) for the tournament, tied with Emily McLatchey of Marshall for the top spot. Due to travel arrangements, it was a one-hole playoff with Tenore scoring par on the 18th while McLatchey bogeyed.

Elise Schultz placed third on the individual leaderboard finishing up at 2-over par 215 (70-74-71). Olivia Coit (+4) tied for fourth, Morgan Beaulieu (+5) was sixth and Anne-Lea Lavoie (+9) tied for seventh. Ashley Kim (+10) turned in the low round of the day and tournament among all players with a 3-under par 68 to climb 10 spots and finish 10th.

A-State finished first with a total of 862 points.

A-State returns to action March 4-5 at the UNF Collegiate in Jacksonville, Fla.

## Track and field continues breaking records



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From left: Hannes Fahl, Cheyenne Melvin and Jacob Pyeatt

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Arkansas State University continues breaking records as they come back from meets.

Arkansas State University track and field's Hannes Fahl and Jacob Pyeatt broke program records in the mile and 5,000 meters, respectively, on Saturday, highlighting several standout performances in a pair of meets. This followed Cheyenne Melvin who broke her own school record in the women's 800.

Fahl clocked a Sun Belt Conference-record time of 4:02.70 in his record performance at the David Hemery Valentine Invitational,

ahead of Lasse Funck's time of 4:05.26 which stands third in program history.

Also in the mile, Jacob Lawrence and Noah McMurtrey clocked personal-best marks of 4:13.49 and 4:14.49.

Pyeatt capped the record-setting day by breaking his school record in the men's 5,000 meters, running a time of 14:06.64. Earlier in the day, Dawson Mayberry ran the distance in 14:24.18.

A-State's women's distance medley relay quartet of Rahel Broemmel, Emma Guadagnoli, Melvin and Elizabeth Martin combined for a time of 11:42.45 – a time that stands second in school history.

## Wins all around for A-State basketball



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Anna Griffin scored 19 points in Saturday's game.

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Arkansas State women's basketball (12-10, 6-6 SBC) used an overwhelming offensive attack to roll past Akron (8-14, 3-8 MAC) by a score of 81-67 on Saturday afternoon at James A. Rhodes Arena.

Izzy Higginbottom finished as the team leader in scoring with 25 points while Lauryn Pendleton (20) and Anna Griffin (19) also reached double-digits. Higginbottom also led the team in assists with six while Pendleton tied with Kendra Gillispie for the most rebounds at six.

As a team, A-State shot 32-for-60 (53 percent) from the field, 7-for-19 (37 percent) from beyond the arc, and 10-for-13 (77 percent) from the free-throw line. The Scarlet and Black won the turnover battle 17-10, but were out-rebounded by Akron 45-26, including a 23-5 disparity on the offensive glass.

The Red Wolves used a strong start to jump ahead 12-5 at the 5:42 mark, but the Zips responded with a 14-6 run to take a 19-18 advantage into the second. A-State was out-rebounded 11-3 and committed seven fouls in the opening period.

The Scarlet and Black found their rhythm in the second,

using a 10-0 run to retake the lead before claiming their first double-digit advantage with 2:32 remaining. A-State outscored Akron 22-9 after the 6:09 mark and went into halftime ahead 46-33.

The Red Wolves shot 19-for-29 (66 percent) from the field and 4-for-9 (44 percent) from 3-point range in the first half. Despite leading by 13 at the break, the Zips established control in the paint, out-rebounding A-State 17-1 on the offensive glass and 26-12 overall.

The solid shooting for the Scarlet and Black carried over to the second half as they expanded the lead to 20 points

with 3:48 remaining. Akron shot 7-for-12 (58 percent) in the quarter, but the Red Wolves were unbothered as they took a 66-49 lead into the final period.

The Zips managed to cut the lead to 12 after going on a late 14-4 run, but A-State would prevent them from cutting it further. The Scarlet and Black won by 15 points in their first non-conference road win this season and recorded their largest margin of victory in an away game this year.

Higginbottom scored her 1,000th point as a Red Wolf during the win, making her the 27th player in A-State history to accomplish the feat.



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Five players scored in double figures on Saturday afternoon, as a hot-shooting Arkansas State men's basketball team shot a season-best 63.8 percent in a 100-87 over Ohio inside First National Bank Arena.

The Red Wolves (11-14) eclipsed the century mark for the third time this season en route to the MAC-SBC Challenge triumph over the Bobcats (13-11). In addition to its blistering field-goal clip, which was its best since 2011, A-State also hit 11-of-22 from 3-point range and scored a season-high 52 points in the paint.

Taryn Todd led A-State's offensive attack with a game-high 20 points and seven rebounds off the bench. The performance was his fourth 20-point performance of the year, coming on 8-of-13 shooting and 4-for-5 at the charity stripe.

Derrian Ford added 19 points on 8-of-12 with four rebounds and four assists, while Izaiyah Nelson had a big second half with 17 points. Dyondre Dominguez scored 16 points on 4-of-6 from deep and Julian Lual hit three treys in an 11-point outing.

Jaylin Hunter led five Bobcats in double figures with 20 points, helping Ohio shoot 51.6 percent (32-62) from

the field and 46.4 percent (13-28) from the perimeter.

Ohio's Aidan Hadaway scored the game's first six points, but Ford answered with seven of his own to give A-State its first lead of the game. The teams traded leads until the Bobcats went on a 9-0 run on treys by Ajay Sheldon (17 points) and Ike Cornish (8 points) to take a 27-18 lead – their largest and final lead of the day.

Todd sparked a 15-0 run that moved A-State back ahead for good at 33-27 with 6 minutes remaining in the half. After Ohio trimmed the deficit back down to four, the Red Wolves ended the half on an 8-0 run and held the visitors scoreless over

the final 2 minutes, 54 seconds to take a 51-39 lead at the half.

A-State continued to up its lead after intermission, leading by 15 after a Nelson dunk forced the Bobcats to use a timeout. Nelson later hit from the perimeter with 12:56 left in the affair, pushing the Scarlet and Black's lead to 71-53. The Red Wolves' largest lead of the day came when a Nelson score made it a 23-point game (82-59) with 9:17 to play.

Ohio pulled to within nine with 2 minutes to play, but would not score from the field for the final 2:03 as A-State ended the contest on a 6-2 run.