

BETHUNE-COOKMAN CAPTURES BOTH MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TITLES AT 22ND PGA MINORITY COLLEGIATE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

A windy final round did not slow down both the men's and women's golf teams from Bethune-Cookman University in Daytona, Fla., with both squads capturing the Division I men's and women's titles at the 22nd PGA Minority Collegiate Golf Championship.

Nearly 200 contestants from 47 colleges and universities, representing 14 countries comprised the field for the Championship, conducted May 9-11, at The PGA Golf Club in Port St. Lucie, Fla.

Bethune-Cookman's women's team, winners of the last two division championships, left little doubt as to whether they would repeat for the third consecutive year, posting a wire-to-wire 16-stroke victory over the University of Texas-Pan-American in Edinburg.

The men's team was able to extend their second-round lead of seven-strokes and finished 17-strokes ahead of Jackson (Miss.) State University. The University of Texas-Pan American finished third.

"I am very satisfied with the overall performance of my team at this Championship," said veteran Wildcats Coach Dr. Gary Freeman, a PGA Professional. "I have super group of kids that I am able to coach and it was a privilege to watch them play out here this week."

Freeman said it was especially pleasing to see his boys' team take home the title after finishing in second place last year.

"The boys' team knew they could do better than last year," said Freeman. "A few of the boys have not had a chance to be on a Championship team before, so that is very satisfying."

Carl Corbin of Bethune-Cookman won the Division I men's individual standings title after carding a final round three-under-par 69. Corbin finished two-strokes ahead of Brett Benson from Jackson (Miss.) State University.

Becky Dowell of Bethune-Cookman claimed the women's individual medalist honors with a three-day-total of 225. She edged Mariale Camey of Texas-Pan American by one-stroke.

Sara Young of Florida State University in Tallahassee captured the women's independent division with a final-round 77, defeating first-round leader Alexis Garduno of Old Dominion University by nine-strokes.

Young, playing in her first tournament in three months, felt very comfortable this year after finishing in second place overall last year.

"This feels so good. I am so glad to pull out a win in this Championship," said Young, a junior from Jacksonville, Fla. "After losing by a stroke last year I wanted to come out and prove to myself that I could win on a big stage like the Minority Championship."

Young believes she can improve on her score next year and looks forward to defending her title in next year's Championship.

“There is always something you can take from a tournament, and I think I learned a lot about my game this week,” said Young. “I can definitely improve my putting so I will work hard during the summer and look to improving my game heading into my senior year.”

In the Independent men’s division, Armando Favela of Loyola (Ill.) University recorded a 1-under-par 215 to claim the men’s independent division over Amit Odaiyar of Florida Atlantic University. Defending champion Vincent Johnson of Oregon State University finished third.

“I really grinded out there today. I caught a few bad breaks but was able to pull out a win against some great competition,” said Favela, a junior from Tijuana, Mexico. “It got very close near the end of the round, but I changed my thought process to match play and that helped me secure the victory.”

Fayetteville (N.C.) State University took home the Division II title for a third consecutive year with a three-day total of 9-over-par 873. Lincoln University of Jefferson City, Mo., finished second, nine-strokes behind. Virginia State University was third.

Ian Milne, a senior from Deland, Fla., led the Broncos with a final-round even-par 72, concluding the championship with a 12-foot putt for birdie.

In the NAIA Division, Johnson & Wales University of Miami, Fla., also notched their third consecutive title, carding a three-day-total of 857. The University of Texas at Brownsville, playing in their first Minority Championship, finished in second place overall.

Nick Zappin, a senior from North Miami, Fla., led the Wildcats with a three-day total of six-under-par 210. His round was highlighted by four birdies.

The Championship’s traditional Business of Golf Career Expo, was conducted prior to the competition. The Expo featured 20 golf industry associations and companies that presented the student-athletes with the opportunity to learn about employment possibilities within the golf industry.

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1 Bethune-Cookman College 298-286-288--872

1 Carl Corbin 72-68-69--209
T3 Daniel Venema 74-69-73--216
T19 Willie Mack 78-72-77--227
T19 Sean Edey 74-80-73--227
T39 Troy Coker 89-77-73--239

2 Jackson State University 294-297-298--889

2 Brett Benson 72-72-70--214
T3 Albert Kilgore III 74-69-73--216
T9 Michael Bailey 67-79-77--223
T34 Reggie Newton 81-77-78--236
55 James Cox, JR 86-88-88--262

3 Texas-Pan American 299-299-295--893

6 Shane Pearce 71-74-72--217
7 Armen Kirakossian 72-72-74--218

T9 Kyle Tudi 76-73-74--223
T 41 Jeff Hensley 84-80-78--242
DQ A.J. Gonzalez 80-Q-75

4 Savannah State University 293-301-305--899

8 Spencer Slade 74-73-73--220
T12 Zac Gelow 75-75-74--224
T19 Jamie Montgomery 73-78-76--227
T25 Riley Baxter 73-75-82--230
DQ Corey Brown 73-80-DQ

5 Florida A&M University 293-310-297--900

T9 James Petty 74-73-76--223
T12 Stanley Wilson 74-76-74--224
T15 Doug Smith 72-81-72--225
24 Wesley Yates 73-80-76--229
51 Gallop Franklin 89-86-75--250

6 South Carolina State 302-296-314--912

T17 Matthew Gilliard 74-74-78--226
T22 Robert A. Biggers 78-72-78--228
T25 Cory Jozefiak 77-75-78--230
T25 Aaron Robinson 73-75-82--230
T34 Hector Arroyave 80-76-80--236

7 Alabama State University 314-304-310--928

T15 Todd Hutcheson 75-73-77--225
T17 Devin Crenshaw 78-74-74--226
T22 Kyle Demester 74-76-78--228
50 Brendan Prouse 87-81-81--249

8 Texas Southern University 307-293-334--934

T3 Jacob Scriven 72-70-74--216
T12 Devaughn Robinson 73-71-80--224
T41 Corey Woodard 80-77-85--242
56 Jason Monroe 88-80-95--263
DQ Riccardo Davis 82-75-DQ

9 Grambling State University 325-307-318--950

T25 Devon Raymond 78-74-78--230
30 Jonathan Coleman 80-75-77--232
T44 Brandon Bradley 85-77-81--243
46 Dean Weatherly 82-81-82--245

10 Winston-Salem State University 312-329-317--958

T25 Lance Holmes 78-79-73--230
T31 Jerell Fields 81-79-73--233
T34 Joshua Sherrill 77-78-81--236
58 Steven Mason 82-93-90--265
59 Kenneth Lathan 76-97-94--267

11 Southern University 328-321-320--969

T39 Gregory Alex Scott 86-77-76--239
T41 Suhail Vally 79-81-82--242
T44 Edgar Evans 82-81-80--243
47 Ervin Nixon 83-82-82--247
52 Joshua Martin 84-84-83--251

12 Hampton University 321-319-330--970

T31 Justin Martin 77-76-80--233
T37 Christopher Frazier 76-82-79--237
T48 Sidney Fields 87-77-84--248
53 Jared Williams 81-84-89--254
57 Jason Sherer 87-90-87--264

13 Alabama A & M University 322-326-326--974

33 Trey Miller 79-78-77--234
T37 Larry Benson Jr. 82-80-75--237
T48 Tyler Kirby 76-84-88--248
54 Cody Calvert 85-84-86--255
60 Ryan Randolph 87-92-89--268

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1 Fayetteville State University 287-281-305--873

1 Ian Milne 68-69-72--209
2 Joel Lynn 69-68-74--211
T15 Jeremy Ringled 76-71-84--231
18 Kevin Lyles 74-77-82--233
WD Derek Scott WD-73-77

2 Lincoln University 290-293-299--882

4 Kortland Ware 70-72-77--219
T5 Dan Frost 73-73-75--221
T5 Justin Watkins 72-77-72--221
T8 Aaron Murphy 75-71-79--225
T15 Rodolfo Gamino 77-79-75--231

3 Virginia State University 300-290-313--903

3 Jerel Whiting 70-69-79--218
10 Kalani Britos 73-75-81--229
19 Greg Hunt 86-73-75--234
21 Brian Wood 77-82-78--237
T23 Dustin Kelley 80-73-87--240

4 Morehouse College 307-304-318--929

T11 Edward Hill 75-74-81--230
T11 Steven Wooten 76-79-75--230
20 Esquire Ward 78-76-82--236
22 Philip Allen 78-75-85--238
25 Thaddaeus Hill 81-80-80--241

5 St. Augustine's College 329-311-321--961

- 7 Aaron Oliver 74-71-78--223
- T23 Larry Whiteside 85-81-74--240
- 26 Corey Landrum-Smith 82-84-82--248
- 27 Julius Wells 88-75-87--250

6 Benedict College 344-340-362--1046

- T11 Galen Aldrich 78-74-78--230
- T15 Olajuwon Ajanaku 74-77-80--231
- 29 Vernon Harris 88-87-100--275
- 37 Michael Taylor 104-102-104--310

7 Kentucky State University 342-357-349--1048

- T11 Nick Morrow 75-75-80--230
- 28 James Andersen 78-85-90--253
- 30 Kendrick Lawson 92-100-89--281
- 33 Patrick Lawrence 97-99-90--286
- 34 Jared Perkins 101-98-93--292

8 Johnson C. Smith University 343-354-381--1078

- T8 Enobong Udo 74-74-77--225
- 31 Andre Kelley 88-93-103--284
- 32 Herbert L. Collins 91-94-100--285
- 35 Jamaal A. Brown 90-99-106--295
- 36 Julien Polk 104-93-101--298

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1 Johnson & Wales University 285-290-282--857

- 1 Nick Zappin 68-72-70--210
- 2 Dave Tobon 72-71-70--213
- 3 David Vanegas 73-72-72--217
- 5 Chris Hawley 75-75-70--220
- 7 Martin Hising 72-79-75--226

2 University of Texas at Brownsville 315-311-308--934

- 6 Anthony Lopez 75-75-74--224
- 8 Chris Milligan 76-80-75--231
- 9 Brock Crosson 78-75-82--235
- 12 Jones Mitchell 86-81-77--244
- 14 Nathaniel Atkins 86-82-86--254

3 Edward Waters College 303-316-329--948

- 4 Sam Aidan 67-76-75--218
- 10 Charlo Riney 76-79-84--239
- 11 Colbie Lunsford 80-79-82--241
- 13 Alex Moscinski 80-83-88--251
- 15 Kyle Lofin 94-82-97--273

WOMEN'S DIVISION

1 Bethune-Cookman University 309-307-302--918

- 1 Becky Dowell 78-75-72--225
- T3 Emma Tayler 79-75-76--230
- T3 Fern Grimshaw 78-79-73--230
- 6 Kimberly Wong 76-78-81--235
- 9 Maria Garrido 77-81-81--239

2 Texas-Pan American 310-317-307--934

- 2 Mariale Camey 75-77-74--226
- 5 Haley Hocott 80-76-76--232
- T7 Rebecca DeLeon 77-83-78--238
- T7 Bronwyn Sandberg 78-81-79--238
- 20 Jennifer Marks 90-90-86--266

T3 South Carolina State University 340-337-346--1023

- T11 Honesty Biggers 82-83-84--249
- 14 Addi McLaren 83-86-85--254
- 17 Jennie McCollum 85-85-86--256
- 23 Geneva Mackey 98-83-91--272
- 25 Danielle Williams 90-98-92--280

T3 University of Texas at Brownsville 347-341-335--1023

- T11 April Martinez 84-89-76--249
- 13 Tara Calderon 84-78-89--251
- T15 Allison Valles 85-88-82--255
- 21 Andrea Cadriel 94-86-88--268
- 27 Annette Valdez 95-100-97--292

5 Hampton University 358-345-366--1069

- 18 Lauren Davis 84-89-85--258
- 19 Britney Alford 89-84-91--264
- 22 Jessi Mitchell 91-84-96--271
- 24 Ariel Thomas 94-88-94--276
- 26 Alyson Lawson 97-92-98-287

6 Alabama State University 402-392-380--1174

- 10 Kyla Reay 80-80-83--243
- T15 Danielle Robinson 87-85-83--255
- 28 Vernetta Harris 108-118-107--333
- 9 D'Andrielle Robinson 127-109-107--343

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- 1 Armando Favela, Loyola University Chicago 71-68-76--215
- 2 Amit Odaiyar, Florida Atlantic University 71-73-73--217
- 3 Vincent Johnson, Oregon State University 73-74-71--218
- 4 Stephan Stallworth, San Jose State University 72-79-72--223
- 5 Edmund Tan, Northwood University 76-74-76--226
- 6 Juan Ronderos, Bethune Cookman College 74-75-78--227
- T7 Justin Ford, Clemson University 79-77-74--230
- T7 Derrick Williams, Cleveland State 76-77-77--230
- T7 Chris Nieto, New Mexico State University 76-77-77--230

T7 Miguel Camitoc, San Jose State University 78-74-78--230
T7 Henry Stetina, New Mexico State University 77-72-81--230
12 Jose Miguel Bautista, New Mexico State University 82-77-76--235
13 Dustin Thompson, University of North Carolina 80-80-82--242
14 Brian Wilbur, Virginia State 82-81-80--243
T14 Orlando Moreno, University of Texas at Brownsville 82-81-80--243
16 Rodney Folmar, Arizona State University 79-79-88--246
17 Earl Barnhill, New Mexico State University 91-79-79--249
18 Cory Claytor, Virginia. Union 81-89-81-251
19 Christian Heavens, Georgetown College 87-82-83--252
20 Victor Calzada, University of Texas at Brownsville 85-85-83--253
21 Austin Derkson, University of Northern Kentucky 88-87-79--254
22 Skylar Forney, Auburn University 91-85-83--259
23 Keith Ware, Lincoln University 91-82-87--260
24 Steven Young, Georgetown College 89-88-89--266
25 Ryan Reese, Methodist University 94-88-85--267
26 Carlin Bryant, Florida A&M University 97-86-86--269
27 Brennan Thomas, South Carolina State University 93-98-85--276
28 Frederick Amy, Virginia Union 99-103-100--302

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1 Sara Young, Florida State University 82-76-77--235
2 Alexis Garduno, Old Dominion University 79-81-84--244
3 Maria Urquiola, Bethune Cookman College 81-84-81--246
4 Mackenzie Mack, Indiana State University 87-81-80--248
5 Melissa Uriegas, University of Texas Pan American 93-88-90--271
6 Deztany Jackson, Old Dominion University 92-94-86--272
7 Cynthia Jordan, Benedict College 114-107-112--333
8 Kellie Ross, Baldwin-Wallace College 115-109-116--340
9 Letricia Carter, Benedict College 158-134-127--419

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