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The University of Montana golf team, playing in two groups, placed second in its own invitational and third in the Eastern Montana Invitational over the weekend.

UM took second to Idaho in a three-team tournament played in Hamilton and Polson. The Vandals' score of 742 for the 36 holes of play gave them a comfortable 35 stroke margin over the Grizzly linksters. Eastern Washington was 17 strokes further back at 794.

Individually, UM's Dave Bloom took Friday medalist honors at Hamilton with a 71, and Eastern Washington's Vic Monaco fired a 75 on Saturday to take medalist honors at Polson.

Idaho's Jeff Thomas took overall honors with a 36-hole total of 148. Teammate Kim Kirkland's 150 was good for runnerup honors. Rick Cavalar was the low UM scorer with a 152 total.

Montana placed third to Black Hills, South Dakota, and South Dakota Mines at the nine-team Eastern Montana Invitational in Billings. UM's 646 total was 18 strokes more than Black Hills' winning score of 628. South Dakota Mines' second place score was 639 and host Eastern was fourth with a 655 score.

Rahn Pates was the low scorer for Montana for Thursday's opening 18 holes. He scored 80 on the Lake Hills course. Friday Jim Dana toured the Yellowstone Country Club course in 77 strokes to take medalist honors for the UM team.

Pates shared overall team honors with George Mahoney. Both had 36-hole scores of 160. Black Hill's Terry Plushas was the tournament medalist at 152.

Montana's next outing is Thursday in Spokane. The UM squad will be competing in the Eastern Washington Invitational against such strong squads as Oregon, Oregon State, Washington and Washington State.

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