

# ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY

***ATHLETICS***

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## **ARKANSAS TECH MEN'S GOLF SHOOTS 894 TO FINISH IN 13TH PLACE AT NCAA DIVISION II SOUTH/SOUTHEAST SUPER REGIONAL**

**MUSCLE SHOALS, Alabama** – The Arkansas Tech Men's Golf team concluded play here Wednesday in the 2009 NCAA Division II South/Southeast Super Regional at the Robert Trent Jones of the Shoals Fighting Joe Course by firing a final-round 295 to end the tournament shooting an 894 and finish in 13th place out of 20 teams.

Tech's 295 on Wednesday was tied for the seventh-best round of the day with Florida Southern and Clayton State. Tech finished the tournament just three shots out of 11th place (891) and eight shots behind seventh-place Florida Southern (886).

North Alabama fired a final-round 292 to overtake second-day leader Lynn University and take home the Super Regional championship. The Lions shot an 868 for 54 holes to finish one shot in front of Lynn (869). The other three teams that qualify for this year's NCAA Division II National Championship Meet on May 19-22 in Bellingham, Wash., are Barry University (874), Columbus State (875) and Georgia College & State University (876).

Tech, who was making its sixth-ever NCAA D-II Regional appearance and first since 2004, was one of four Gulf South Conference schools competing in this year's South/Southeast Super Regional as UNA took home first place, while Valdosta State shot an 880 to finish in sixth place and West Florida, the defending NCAA D-II National Champion, fired an 891 to finish tied for 11th place.

Leading the way for Tech was senior **Jarred Carlyle** (Nashville, Ark.). Carlyle, who was just the second-ever player in league history to be named a four-time First-Team All-GSC selection, closed the final round with a one-under par 71 to finish the 54-hole tournament shooting a one-over par 217 to finish in a four-way tie for 16th place. Carlyle entered Wednesday's final round standing in 19th place, but moved up three spots to 16th to be the ninth highest individual finisher not from one of the five qualifying teams.

In addition to sending the top five teams to the NCAA D-II National Championships, the top two individuals not on an advancing team also qualify for nationals from the South/Southeast Super Regional. This year's qualifiers are Barton College's Jonathan Burke, who shot a three-under par 213 to finish in a tie for second place, while the second individual qualifier was Florida Southern's Brian Richey, who shot a two-under par 214 to finish tied for fourth place.

North Alabama's Jake Greer finished as the tournament's individual medalist as he carded a six-under par 210 to finish three shots in front Burke and his UNA teammate, Brett Munson, who each shot a 213 for 54 holes.

Along with Carlyle, other Tech scores on Wednesday were junior **Jonathon Spikes** (Danville, Ark.) firing a one-under par 70 to finish in a tie for 34th place with a

score of 222 (76, 76, 70), while senior **Taylor Wallner** (Fayetteville, Ark.) carded a 78 in Wednesday's final round to finish in a tie for 65th place with a 228 (77, 73, 78) for 54 holes. The other two Tech finishers were senior **B.J. Hawkins** (Winnsboro, Texas), who carded a final round 77 to finish tied for 81st with a 231 (81, 73, 77) and junior **Drew Richards** (Prescott, Ark.) shot a 77 in the final round to finish in a tie for 98th place with a 237 (78, 82, 77).

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