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# Holden, ASU Finish Strong In Tourney

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MUSCLE SHOALS, Ala. (4/27/11) – Led by All-Sun Belt Conference selections Lloyd du Preez and Chris Pledger, the Arkansas State men's golf team finished in fourth place at the Sun Belt Conference Championships after the final round was cancelled Wednesday due to severe weather at the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail.

A-State, which shot a combined 584, posted a first-round 293 to finish the tournament's opening day in fourth place, and it remained in the same position at the end of Tuesday's play after recording a 291 for the second 18 holes.

The Red Wolves finished four strokes ahead of fifth-place Louisiana-Lafayette and within seven strokes of both North Texas and Louisiana-Monroe, which tied for second place. Denver led the 11-team field with a three-under par 577.

ASU's fourth-place finish was its best at the Sun Belt Conference Championships since finishing fourth at the 2000 tournament as well. "We obviously wanted to play the final round," said ASU head coach Steve Johnson. "We felt like both rounds we were on the verge of shooting a very good golf score, but with the weather that come through it became more of an issue of keeping the student-athletes safe rather than if we were going to play. "I felt good about the way we played, but I also thought we entered the conference tournament coming off a couple of other good performances. Considering the quick turnaround we had between hosting our home tournament and trying to prepare for the conference championships, I thought the guys did really well." du Preez collected his best finish of the season, ending the tournament tied for third place to lead the Red Wolves. du Preeze shot a first-round 72 and followed it up with a second-round 69, his second lowest score of the season. His combined 141 left him just four strokes behind tournament medalist Carlos Ortiz of North Texas. du Preez, a senior, was named an all-conference selection for the third consecutive season, becoming just the third ASU men's golfer to ever earn the recognition three times during their career.

Pledger ended the first round tied for seventh place with du Preez and others, and despite shooting a 76 Tuesday that was four strokes over his score for the first 18 holes, still finished among the top-20 individual leaders. Pledger ended the tournament with a combined 148 and picked up his eighth top-20 finish of the season. Pledger, a junior, was named All-Sun Belt Conference for the first time, giving the Red Wolves at least two all-league players in the same season for the first time since 2009 and for the seventh time ever.

"Lloyd and Chris are both extremely deserving of the recognition they received as allconference selections," said Johnson. "Lloyd has kind of been the anchor for our team in the past, and the character he showed at this tournament is the kind of stuff you hope is contagious on your team. Chris has been outstanding all year, and he's been a go-to guy for us all season. We knew that he was capable of being an all-conference-type player the last two seasons, but this year he made the changes to make him a much more consistent player."

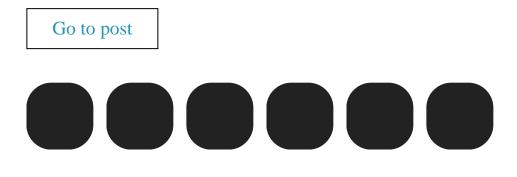
Cory Williamson cut eight strokes off his first-round total with a 71 Tuesday, which moved him from 43rd place into a tie for 25th. Other than du Preez's second-round score, Williamson's 71 was the lowest score of the tournament among ASU's golfers.

Also competing for A-State, *Chance Holden* and Warren Hood finished tied for 29th place with a 151.

#### **ARKANSAS STATE RESULTS**

Place, Name (RD1-RD2--TOTAL) 4, Arkansas State (293-291--584) T3, Lloyd du Preez (72-69--141) T17, Chris Pledger (72-76--148) T25, Cory Williamson (79-71--150) T29, Chance Holden (76-75--151) T29, Warren Hood (73-78--151)

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### Bearcat Golf, Baseball Set For Friday

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Bearcat Golf, Baseball Set For Friday

A SMT Sports Report

The sun is shining, it's not raining (for now!) and Bearcats will have a pair of athletic activities Friday afternoon.

Dexter High School Athletic Director Church Powers announced that two teams – the golf team and baseball squad would play. Powers reports the Bearcat Golf Team will compete in district play at the Crown Pointe Golf Club in Farmington.

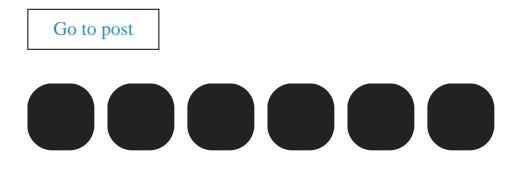
In addition, the Baseball 'Cats will take to the field in the SEMO Conference Tournament at Notre Dame Regional High School in Cape Girardeau. The Dexter game will begin at 3 p.m.

However, Powers reported the Lady Bearcats Softball game against Woodland for Friday afternoon. Dexter was scheduled to play Woodland, and that team will not be able to travel to Dexter due to the continued flooding in the region.

In addition, the track meet previously scheduled in Poplar Bluff for today has been canceled due to the flood conditions.

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# Thursday DHS Baseball Game Moved

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Thursday DHS Baseball Game Moved

A SMT Sports Report

Dexter High School Athletic Director Chuck Powers has announced a change in Thursday's baseball game - but this time it was not a cancellation.

Powers announced at 10 a.m. Thursday the Bearcats baseball game against Cape Girardeau Central High School will be moved to the Notre Dame Regional High School field.

"The game will begin after the Notre Dame game concludes around 7 p.m.," Powers reported.

The game was originally to be played at 4 p.. Thursday at the Cape Central field.

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### DHS Athletic Events Canceled Monday

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#### **BREAKING SPORTS NEWS**

A SMT Sports Report

Dexter High School Athletic Director chuck Powers announced at 12 noon today that all DHS sports activities for today, Monday, April 25, have been canceled.

The schedule originally called for the DHS Boys Tennis Team to face Cape Central in a 4:00 p.m. match in Cape Girardeau, and the Bearcat Boys Baseball Team to play the Cape Central Tigers at 4:00 p.m. in Dexter.

Both events have been canceled due to weather conditions in the region.

Powers reports that neither event has yet to be rescheduled.

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# Dexter Baseball/Softball Teams Announced

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Dexter Baseball/Softball Teams Announced

The ShowMe Times is proud to extend the information provided by the Dexter Park & Recreations. Each year this is an incredible project but many times a community is measured by the schools and the Parks & Recreation Departments. But often times, the pride in our program is lost in the spirit of competition.

Our Dexter Parks and Recreation Team has worked to create a program that we should all pause for a moment and be thankful. Whether a Summer Baseball league or just a family outing in the many well groomed park facilities throughout our community, we have a lot to be proud of in Dexter.

Take a moment to remember that organized sports is for the kids and is can be an incredible experience. And be sure to thank those involved with making all this possible with the Dexter Park & Recreation department of the City of Dexter:

Lawson Metcalf--Park Director Rob Ward--Park Foreman Renee Stafford--Office Manager/Coordinator Jamie Rowe--Aquatic & Recreation Programmer Chad McGowan--Park Maintenance

The 2011 Team Rosters for Baseball and Softball have been released. They are available at the Dexter Park and Rec website. For your convenience, we have also copied the team lists found below as well as located them on the ShowMe Times Facebook page.

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