

Gymnastics Falls to No. 1-ranked UW-Whitewater

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EAU CLAIRE, Wis. (UWECBlugolds.com) - The UW-Eau Claire gymnastics team started off well against the No. 1-ranked UW-Whitewater Warhawks tonight, but ended up falling 178.675-174.150 at the McPhee Physical Education Center.

The Blugolds kicked off the night on the vault and won the event 46.025-45.175. However, Whitewater won the other three events to edge the Blugolds overall.

Eau Claire held the top two spots on the vault, with **Cece Solem** (*Fr.-Mendota Heights, Minn./Henry Sibley*) leading the way with a career-best 9.425. **Sarah Hulbert** (*Jr.-Waukesha, Wis./North*) took second in the event with a season-best 9.350.

Danielle Schulzetenberg (*Fr.-Maple Grove, Minn.*) had a good night for Eau Claire as she was the only other Blugold to win an event. She took first on the balance beam with a career-best 9.500. She improved tremendously over last week when she scored an 8.600. Schulzetenberg also finished second in the floor exercise with a 9.225.

On the uneven bars, **Claire Johnson** (*Fr.-Eagan, Minn.*) led the way for Eau Claire with an 8.625, taking third. Solem had a third place finish in the all-around competition with a 34.375.

The Blugolds will be back in action next Friday when they take on UW-La Crosse at 7 p.m. in La Crosse.