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Miami Golfers Lead FIT Meet

DELAND — P — University of Miami golfers dominated the medal play round opening the Florida Intercollegiate Tournament yesterday.

Miami won the Nilsson Trophy for team honors for the second straight year. Art Severson, a Miami student from Madison, Wis., but not a member of the winning team, was medalist with 138.

The winning team's members and their scores: Ollie Kay, 71-73—144; Al Besselink 72 - 73—145; Buddy Godwin 69-76—145; Tommy Sullivan 75-78—153.

Another Miami team was

Match play for the individual title opens today with Sonny Tinney of Florida State University the defender. He was two over par with 148 to finish ninth in a field of 46 for yesterday's medal round.

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Favorites Advance In College Golf

DELAND, March 24.—(P)—Defending Champion Sonny Tinney of Florida State University and other favorites advanced into the semifinals of the Florida Inter-Collegiate Golf Tournament here today.

Eight players remaining from a field of 32 in the championship flight will meet in the semifinals tomorrow.

Tinney shot three under par golf to defeat Hank Mercer, also of FSU, one up in the quarterfinals. The blond 1948 champion disposed of Bill O'Hara of Florida Southern 2 and 1 in the opening round. Tinney meets Ollie Kay of Miami in the lead-off match tomorrow.

Other favorites moving up today were Ed Kirkland, Stetson's number one player, who ousted Jack Vidal of Florida, 3 and 2; and Art Severson, of Miami, tournament medalist, who disposed of John Mandley, a teammate, 4 and 3.

Jim Busby of Florida, another strong contender and tied for second place with Kirkland yesterday in medal play, fell by the wayside, losing to Bob Keller, of Miami, 3 and 2.

Kay and Al Rossiter of Florida staged the most heated quarterfinal battle. Deadlocked at the end of nine holes, Kay finally moved out front and carded a 66 against Rossiter's 69 for a 2 and 1 victory.

Other quarter-final winners: Frank Van Auken of Florida defeated Jupe Arnold of Rollins, 2 and 1; Al Besselink of Miami beat Guy Farina of Miami, 7 and 6; Seeborn Wade of Stetson beat Buddy Godwin of Miami, 2 and 1. From the Miami Herald March 26, 1949 Page 13

Art Severson, Kirkland Vie In Golf Final

DELAND, Fla. —(AP)— Ed Kirkland of Stetson and Art Severson of Miami, victors in extra - hole semifinal matches, will match strokes for the Florida intercollegiate golf championships here today.

Kirkland gained the finals by beating Ollie Kay of Miami on the 21st hole. Severson was forced to go 19 holes to defeat Bob Keller of Miami.

Kirkland and Kay finished the first 18 with par 73's and battled on even terms to the 21st where Kay took a five to Kirkland's four.

Earlier in the day Severson defeated Al Besselink of Miami, 3 and 2; Keller won over Frank Van Auken of Florida, 4 and 3; Kirkland beat Seeborn Wade of Stetson, 4 and 3; and Kay eliminated Sonny Tinney, defending champion from Florida State, in 19 holes.