

FSU golfers second in Mexico

MONTERREY — The FSU mens golf team shot a first-round total of 288 to put itself in second place of the ninth annual Pan American International Golf Tournament.

The Seminoles are two strokes behind Brigham Young University and two strokes ahead of USC. Houston is in fourth at 292 and Arizona State University's 293 puts it in fifth.

Individually for FSU, Mike Graham is tied for third with a 2-under par 70. Three strokes out of third with an even par 72 is Seminole Paul Downes and at 73 are Grant Turner and Paul Azinger. Rounding out the FSU contingent is Steve Kepler at 75.

round, a 68, for a 143 total.

Mike Grant of FSU fired a 70, good for 10th place with a 146 total. Other Seminole scores included: Paul Azinger, 73—147; Paul Downes, 72—147; Grant Turner, 73—148.

Commans managed a 71, despite cold and rain, for a 138 total going into the final 18 holes. Guy Kennen of Centenary matched his 71 to trail by one

stroke. Mark Brooks of Texas shot a 69 for third place at 142.

Two BYU golfers, Keith Clearwater and Rick Fehr, tied at 144 with Joe Rasset of Oral Roberts and Jodie Mudd of Georgia Southern.

FSU squad third in Mexican golf

MONTERREY, Mexico (AP) — Ron Commans of the University of Southern California sank a 30-foot putt on the 15th hole Friday to cling to a one-stroke lead in the ninth annual Pan American University international golf tournament.

Brigham Young enlarged its lead to three strokes in the 24-team event, at 579. Oral Roberts was second at 582, followed by Florida State at 583, defending champion Oklahoma State 584 and USC 585.

Arizona State was sixth at 590, followed by Centenary 591, Texas and Georgia Southern tied at 592, and Wichita State and New Mexico State tied at 596.

Steve Keppler of Florida State moved into fourth in the individual standings by firing the day's best

Seminoles tie for fourth in Pan Am golf

Democrat staff and wire report

MONTERREY, Mexico — Ron Commans of Southern Cal held on for the individual championship and Oral Roberts rallied from fifth place Saturday to capture the team title in the Pan American International golf tournament.

Oral Roberts defeated Brigham Young by eight strokes, 867-875, to win its eighth title in its last nine tournaments. Florida State finished in a tie for fourth.

Commans, meanwhile, fired a one-over-par 73 in chilly, damp conditions to finish with a 211 — two shots ahead of defending champion Bob Tway of Oklahoma State, Mark Brooks of Texas and Guy Kennen of Centenary.

USC finished third in the team chase at 878. Defending champion Oklahoma State tied FSU at 879, followed by Arizona State at 888 and Texas and Stanford at 891. In all, 23 teams participated.

"It's like a dream come true," said Oral Roberts coach Bill Brogden.

"We've paid our dues and now it's our turn. Our seniors are solid, steady players who can shoot the low numbers."

For the Seminoles, Paul Downes closed with 75 for a 217 total, good for eighth place among individuals; Steve Kepler had a 68-219 for 11th place; Grant Turner's closing 75 made his total 220, for 18th place; Mike Grant was 76-223; and Paul Azinger was 74-227.

"We had a chance to win it," said FSU coach Don Veller, "but we had some putting troubles on the last four holes. At least the weather was great today after being bad earlier."

Florida State's next tournament date is at the Gator Invitational in Gainesville next weekend.