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The Eagles tee off at 8:30 a.m. in tomorrow’s final round.

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FERNANDINA BEACH, Fla. – Junior Iben Hvass shot 74-74=148 to lead the Georgia Southern women’s golf team into a tie for eighth after the first two rounds of the Amelia Island Collegiate Monday at Amelia National Golf Club.

Hvass is tied for 21st, and Ariana Macioce is tied for 34th after shooting a 77-74=151. Yeji Shin and Annie Swords each posted 76-77=153, and Ansley
Bowman carded an 80-80=160.

North Florida (-1) leads the tournament, followed by Bradley (+8), Cincinnati (+10) and Campbell (+15). The Eagles (+29) are tied with Jacksonville State and Southern Mississippi, three strokes ahead of Florida Gulf Coast (+32).

**The story – Rd. 2**
Hvass rolled in a team-high four birdies in the second round and scored par or better on 11 straight holes. After a hiccup on the par-5 9th hole, she was even on her last five holes. Macioce was 1-under through eight holes and parred five of her last six. Shin was 1-under through six holes and finished with a pair of pars, and Swords rolled in two birdies and nine pars.

**The story – Rd. 1**
The Eagles, who teed off on holes 13-15, got off to a good start with the counters combining to shoot even par on their first six holes. Hvass led the way and was even through 14 holes while posting par or better on eight straight. Shin was 1-under through five holes and led the Eagles with three birdies in the round. Macioce’s round was highlighted by an eagle on the par-4 10th hole, and she finished with two pars.

**Quotable from head coach Emily Kuhfeld**
"I am proud of the team and the way they competed today. The team is continuing to grow and improve and feel more comfortable. Iben is leading the way for us with some very solid play, and both she and Ari showed a lot of resilience and toughness out there today. It is looking like the conditions will be stormy tomorrow, but we will be ready for it!"

**Next up**
The Eagles play the third and final round tomorrow in a shotgun start. Georgia Southern will tee off at 8:30 a.m. on holes 7-9, and the Eagles are paired with Memphis and Tulsa.

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