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WAVERLY - The Kirkwood men's golf team lost the Wartburg Spring Invitational by one shot Saturday.

The DMACC Bears nipped the Eagles, 584 to 585, for the 36-hole championship at the Prairie Links Golf Course in a three-way photo finish among three premier junior college teams.

Southwestern finished third with a two-day total of 586, just another shot behind Kirkwood, in a wild scramble for the title.

Ben Epperly of Kirkwood tied for second in the individual standings at 1-under-par 143, but he was competing as an individual and did not count toward Kirkwood's team scores. If Epperly had been competing with the team, the Eagles would have won the title.

Ryan Morrison of Kirkwood also tied for second place at 1-under 143. Dawson Peters tied for fifth at 1-over 145.

TEAM SCORES

1. DMACC 584, 2. Kirkwood 585, 3. Southwestern 586, 4. Iowa Lakes 598, 5. UW-Stout 617, 6. Coe 625, 7. NIACC 633, 8. Carleton 634, 9. Wartburg 642, 10. Buena Vista 649, 11. St. Norbert 651, 12. Hawkeye 666, 13. Monmouth 673, 14. Grinnell 692.

KIRKWOOD: 2. Ben Epperly 69-74=143, 2. Ryan Morrison 70-73=143, 5. Dawson Peters 72-73=145, 10. James Morgan 73-75=148, 11. Will Babcock 73-76=149 11. Sam Lockhart

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71-78=149, 19. George Kalpakas 76-76=152.