

Wildcats take second at Paola Invitational



Louisburg junior Ty Martin watches a tee shot during the Paola Invitational on Monday at Paola Country Club. Martin shot an 87 to come in eighth overall to earn a medal and also helped the Wildcats to a second-place team finish.

PAOLA – It was a different week, but the same result for the Louisburg High School golf team.

The Wildcats battled some tough course conditions Monday at the Paola Invitational, but that didn't stop them from finishing runner-up in the team standings. Louisburg shot a 360 and finished eight strokes behind champion Paola, which shot a 352.

“I was very pleased with their final scores and staying focused after seeing how hard the greens were playing,” Louisburg coach Brian Burns said. “They were super fast. I feel like we should have had one of our scores in the 90s be in the 80s, but we had a low 90s score that could have been in the high 90s so it balanced out.”

Much like its previous meet, Louisburg was once again led by Ty Martin. The Wildcat junior shot an 87 to finish eighth overall and also garnered his second medal of the season.

“Ty stayed very consistent even though he shot 16 strokes

higher than last week, but most players from all teams did the same," Burns said.



Sophomore Kai Tinich tries to chip onto the green during the Paola Invitational on Monday at the Paola Country Club.

Senior Hogan Welch was second on the team with a 90 and was able to rebound on the back nine. Welch struggled on a few holes on the front nine as he shot a 50, but shot a 40 to salvage his day.

"I know that Hogan can play low 80s golf, he just needs a few lucky bounces on the course," Burns said. "He had some great shots that carried too long or got crazy bounces during the front nine."

Fellow senior T.J. Svoboda was third on the team with a 91 and fellow senior Anders Vance was fourth with a 92. Junior Jake Hill shot a 107 and sophomore Kai Tinich recorded a 118.

The Wildcats return to action Tuesday when they travel to the Osawatomie Invitational at the Osawatomie Golf Course. Tee time is set for 1 p.m.

JV wins Gardner tournament



Members of the Louisburg junior varsity team are (from left) Jacob Martin, Justin Sievert, Jacob Welsh, Nick Welch, Parker Parentis and Jaret Gilliland.

The Louisburg junior varsity golf team opened its season Tuesday at the Gardner-Edgerton Invitational and put up a strong performance.

The Wildcats won the team title and had four golfers pick up individual medals. Junior Nick Welch came up big as he shot a 40 to win by seven strokes.

Teammate Parker Parentis finished third, while Jacob Welsh and Justin Sievert took eighth and 10th, respectively. Jacob Martin and Jaret Gilliland also helped the Wildcats win the team crown.