

Dillon wins Blazer Invite, Martin medals to lead Wildcat golf



Louisburg senior Ty Martin watches his shot land on the green during a tournament earlier this season. Martin shot an 84 at the Blazer Invitational on Monday at Prairie Highlands Golf Course to medal fourth overall.

OLATHE – The Louisburg High School golf team invaded Prairie Highlands Golf Course on Monday during the Blazer Invitational and left with two of the top four spots in the tournament.

Freshman Calvin Dillon and senior Ty Martin each earned tournament medals as both finished in the top four individually. The Gardner-hosted invitational was originally scheduled to begin the season, but was postponed due to weather.

It was well worth the wait for both golfers.

Dillon dominated the field as he carded a 78 to win the tournament by three strokes on the par 72 course. Dillon shot a 38 on the front nine and a 40 on the back to earn his second tournament win of the season.

As for Martin, he finished fourth with an 84, right behind Gardner-Edgerton's Trystan Tovkach (81) and De Soto's Daniel

Lee (83), who took second and third, respectively. Martin shot a 43 on the front nine, but improved his score by two strokes on the back to push him into fourth.

The golfers had to deal with gusty winds for most of the tournament, but that didn't let it affect Dillon and Martin.

"Twenty-two mile per hour winds led me to believe that mid 80's would be medals," Louisburg coach Brian Burns said. "Calvin is the best player I have had in 10 years. His dad, Jim, who used to be a teacher here, has done an amazing job with all aspects of his golf game. Calvin is a great addition to have to the team. Ty is also a great addition and I think he will not be above 84 for the rest of the season. He is in his groove."

In the team standings, Louisburg finished with a 373 and took fourth overall. De Soto won the tournament with a 347, Gardner-Edgerton was second with a 365 and Ottawa shot a 369 to take third.

Senior Jake Hill was third on the Wildcat team with a 102, while juniors Justin Sievert and Kai Tinich shot a 109 and 112, respectively. Ryan Haight rounded out the Wildcats with a 124.

Louisburg continues its season Monday when it travels to the Ottawa Invitational. Tee time is set for 2 p.m.