

Eberhart leads Wildcat golf with big week at Osawatomie, league meet



Louisburg senior Johnny Eberhart chips onto the green during the Osawatomie Invitational on Wednesday at the Osawatomie Golf Course. Eberhart led the Wildcats with a second place finish at Osawatomie and a fourth-place finish at the Frontier League meet Thursday in Spring Hill.

The Louisburg golf team had back-to-back days of competitions, but that didn't seem to bother the Wildcats much – especially Johnny Eberhart.

Eberhart finished second with an 85 at the Osawatomie Invitational on Wednesday, on what was a cold, blustery day at the Osawatomie Golf Course.

The Louisburg senior followed it up with a fourth-place finish at the Frontier League Invitational on Thursday at Sycamore Ridge Golf Course with an 86. He was one of three Wildcats to earn league medals.

“Johnny has been able to play more with the good weather and has been more consistent with his shots,” Louisburg coach Brian Burns said. “He is building his muscle memory in his swing and doing better with his short game. I am very pleased with his mid 80’s and wouldn’t be surprised if he scored a low 80s sometime soon.”

As a team, the Wildcats finished third in the league standings with a 371, just three strokes behind league champ Ottawa. Louisburg finished one stroke behind runner-up Tonganoxie.

Junior A.J. Arriola finished right behind with Eberhart for fifth in the league with a 92, while junior Johnny Thompson was seventh with a 94.

Senior Dacey Wieland had his best round of the season with a 99 and took 21st. Sophomore Jackson Olson shot a 105 in 30th and Sam Wheeler was 42nd with a 111.

"I have not had many individual golfers shoot very well at Sycamore," Burns said. "I was happy with all four of the scores. Three medaling and one breaking 100 for the first time on a difficult course."

Along with his performance at Sycamore, Thompson also earned a medal at Osawatomie on Wednesday. Thompson shot a 90 to finish ninth overall, while the Wildcats were sixth in the team standings with a 376.

Arriola was third on the team with a 94, while Wheeler shot a 107. Bodie Lancaster and Carson Kern each rounded the Wildcat lineup with a 111.

The Wildcats have the week off, but will back in action next Monday when they travel to the Ottawa Invitational.