

# Kalida Retains PCL Golf Championship on Monday

## 1999 PCL Tournament

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It was busy as usual for the Kalida golf team Monday at the Pike Run Golf Course.

The Wildcat golfers completed a sweep of the 1990's late Monday afternoon as they won their 11<sup>th</sup> straight Putnam County League golf championship. The last time the PCL crown did not come home with Kalida was back in 1988 when Ottoville won the title.

The Wildcats completed their sweep of the 90's as they shot a team score of 308. Ottoville finished second with a 329 and Continental was third with a 335. Fort Jennings was fourth with a 344, Leipsic was next with a 349 and Columbus Grove shot a 355. Miller City finished with a team score of 366.

Although the Wildcats had the best score Monday, they were not without some anxious moments as Ottoville made the turn with a three-shot lead.

"It was kind of tough today," Kalida Coach Ken Schnipke said. "At the turn we were down to Ottoville. It scared me a little bit, I don't know about anyone else."

"They did a good job. They played really good on the back nine. I don't know if they realized if they had to step it up or not, but they did. They just played a whole lot better. They make the turn at 40 or 42 and they feel bad, so they just want to go out and prove they are players and that's what they did today."

The Wildcats were led by Seth Winkle as he captured medalist honors in a two-hole playoff after shooting a 75 (34-41). Jared Winkle finished with a 76 (39-37), John Schmursal had a 78 (41-37) and Derek Schroeder had a 79 (42-37). Jenny Schnipke finished with an 83 (41-42) for Kalida.

All five Kalida golfers earned all-league honors for their play on Monday.

Ottoville made their run as they were led by Matt Wannemacher with a 75 (39-36). Kevin Leis finished with an 80 (40-40), while Joe Horstman and Bob Horstman both had an 87.

Continental was led by Keith Fisher as he shot a 75 (39-36), Asa Donaldson and Gene Tegenkamp both had an 86 and Scott Grant finished with an 88.

The PCL first team consisted of Seth Winkle, Schmursal and Jerid Winkle, all of Kalida, Fisher of Continental, and Wannemacher of Ottoville. The second team consisted of Ottoville's Kevin Leis, Fort Jennings's Ross Miller, Leipsic's Garrett Korte and Kalida's Derek Schroeder and Jenny Schnipke.

Seth Winkle captured medalist honors in a two-hole playoff Monday.

Winkle was matched against Wannemacher from Ottoville and Fisher of Continental after all three golfers shot a 75 in the windy conditions at Pike Run.

Winkle had a chance to end the playoff on the first hole as his eagle putt missed. Wannemacher remained alive in the playoff as he sank a 10-foot birdie putt, but Fisher couldn't advance as his birdie putt stopped an inch from the cup.

On the second playoff hole, Wannemacher appeared to have the advantage as he left his drive on the par-4, 349 yard 17<sup>th</sup> hole 30 yards to the right of the green. His chances appeared even better as Winkle hit his second shot over the green and Wannemacher was on the back fringe.

Winkle then chipped his third shot five feet below the cup, while Wannemacher left himself a long par putt. Winkle won medalist honors as he sank his par putt and Wannemacher had to settle for a bogey.

### SCORES

**KALIDA 308** - Seth Winkle (34-41-75), Jerid Winkle (39-37-76), John Schmursal (41-37-78), Derek Schroeder (42-37-79) and Jenny Schnipke (41-42-83).

**OTTOVILLE 329** - Matt Wannemacher (39-36-75), Kevin Leis (40-40-80), Joe Horstman (45-42-87), Bob Horstman (48-39-87) and Andy Kehres (54-50-104).

**CONTINENTAL 335** - Keith Fisher (39-36-75), Asa Donaldson (42-44-86), Gene Tegenkamp (45-41-86), Scott Grant (40-48-88) and Jeff Potts (42-48-90).

**FORT JENNINGS 344** - Ross Miller (44-39-83), Kyle Liebrecht (40-47-87), Scott Gasser (43-44-87), Kevin Grothouse (47-40-87) and Aaron Utrup (46-46-92).

**LEIPSIC 349** - Garrett Korte (39-43-82), Mitch Selhorst (43-41-84), Derek Hermiller (45-45-90), Jacob Selhorst (44-49-93) and Andrew Cain (51-51-102).

**COLUMBUS GROVE 355** - Jack Ruen (44-40-84), Joe Mayberry (43-44-87), Kip McDowell (45-47-92), Ryan Stechschulte (45-44-92) and Chris Crenshaw (52-46-98).

**MILLER CITY 366** - Dusty Pester (42-45-87), Tyler Miller (40-48-88), Josh Klear (45-50-95), A. J. Hoffman (50-46-96) and Doug Pester (51-46-97).