

# Wildcats Repeat as PCL Golf Champs

## 2003 PCL Tournament

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It wasn't one of Kalida's better efforts on the golf course, but they will take it.

Overcoming cool temperatures for September and periods of rain, the Wildcats repeated as Putnam County League golf champions.

The Wildcats fired a 317 to capture the championship at the Delphos Country Club Monday. Ottoville finished second as they shot a 322 and Fort Jennings was third with a 332. Continental was fourth with a 357, Miller City was fifth at 368 and Leipsic was sixth with a 378.

"I thought we could have played a little better," Kalida Coach Ken Schnipke said. "I didn't know if the concentration was there as it should have been. We won the sectional Thursday and that may have had something to do with it. I think we could have played a little better."

"Although a 317 score for the way the weather was today isn't too bad. The weather affects them a little bit, but you try to take it out of play the best you can."

Kalida tackled the league championship just a few days after winning a Division III sectional title at Auglaize Country Club. The PCL championship was delayed one week by persistent rains the Monday before.

On Monday, the Wildcats were led by Russell Hamilton with a 76 (39-37) and Eric Fischnich with a 77 (35-42). Andy Unverferth followed with an 80 (39-41) and Ben McIntyre had an 84 (42-42).

Hamilton and Fischnich were named to the PCL first team, while Unverferth was named to the second team.

"Russell and Eric have been through this before and they played well," Schnipke added. "Andy also played well and Ben McIntyre came through for us much like he did at the sectional tournament."

Ottoville was led by Nick Miller as he shot a 75 (36-39) to grab medalist honors. Justin Laudick (42-38) and Ryan Schimmoeller (40-40) both had an 80, while Tyler Miller had an 87 (40-47).

Miller was named to the PCL first team, while Schimmoeller and Laudick were second team selections.

Fort Jennings' Heath Stechschulte and Ross Stechschulte grabbed first team honors along with Miller City's Andy Schnipke. Heath Stechschulte grabbed first team honors with a 77 (38-39) while Schnipke (36-42) and Ross Stechschulte (37-41) grabbed first team honors with 78's.

Leipsic's Jason Crow (37-42) was named to the second team with a 79, while Continental's Todd Sigler was named to the second team after shooting an 83 (44-39).

### SCORES

**KALIDA 317** - Russell Hamilton 76, Eric Fischnich 77, Andy Unverferth 80, Ben McIntyre 84 and Andy Rampe 89.

**OTTOVILLE 322** - Nick Miller 75, Justin Laudick 80, Ryan Schimmoeller 80, Tyler Miller 87 and Josh Vorst 88.

**FORT JENNINGS 332** - Heath Stechschulte 77, Ross Stechschulte 78, Trent Stechschulte 88, Kurt Menke 89 and Nick Luebrecht 98.

**CONTINENTAL 357** - Todd Sigler 83, Kurtis Brown 87, Nick Wilson 90, Ross Morgan 97 and Ben Miller 107.

**MILLER CITY 368** - Andy Schnipke 78, Zach Schroeder 91, Joe Wenzinger 99, Andy Rump 100 and Beau Pester 101.

**LEIPSIC 381** - Jason Crow 79, Brian Meyer 84, Jay Niese 105, Bryan Steffan 113 and Brian Steffan 119.