Freshman Salvages Trophy for OHS Ricker's 79 Heads Big Green 1984 PCL Tournament

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Jim Maley has always been proud of his Ottoville golf teams, especially last year's state runner-up group. But Monday at Pike Run he had to really appreciate the 1984 team that walked off the course crowned Putnam County League champions.

"This is really gratifying to see this team win," he said. He has a right to be proud.

The Big Green team consists of three freshmen, a sophomore and one senior and it was one of the rookies that keyed the victory. Jeff Ricker fired a 79 to spark the team past Continental 337-339 for the top finish.

Ricker, the number five player on the team, had averaged 47 so far this year and fired a 50 and 52 the previous two times he played the Pike Run course.

Brian Schimmoeller added a 38-43-81, Troy Landin 42-45-87 and Dale Schimmoeller 43-47-90 for the winners.

Continental made the event very close with a 76 from Keith Turner, Jim Alvarado 85, Tony Mitchell 88 and Troy Slattman 90 for the second place finish.

"We shot well," said Coach Dave Tobias of the Pirates. "Our players shot right at their average".

Medalist honors went to Grant Williams of the third place Kalida Wildcats, last year's league champs. Williams bogeyed holes 2, 4 and 6 and on the back nine 12, 13, 16 and 18. He birdied 8 and 9, both par 5s and 14.

Kalida also had a fine round from Craig Langhals, a 40-39-79, but had little support. Number three man Scott Langhals registered a 45-45-90 and Greg Recker a 51-47-98.

Fort Jennings was only seven strokes off Ottoville's pace, carding a 344. Coach Don Cook's team had a 40-40-80 from Scott Vetter to lead the way. Mike Luebrecht added an 85, Mitch Moening 89 and Mike Grone 90.

Host Miller City nabbed the fifth position with a 366. Jeff Lammers and Don Schmenk each fired 88's, Jeff Morman 93 and Dave Warnimont 97.

First year team Columbus Grove totaled a 374 led by Greg Bunn's 43-42-85. Coach Gary Kirst got a 96 from Lance Seyer and Jeff Schumaker and a 97 from March Smith.

SCORES

OTTOVILLE 337 – Brian Schimmoeller 38-43-81, Dale Schimmoeller 43-47-90, Troy Landin 42-45-87, Jeff Ricker 40-39-79.

CONTINENTAL 339 – Jim Alvarado 46-39-85, Keith Turner 39-37-76, Tony Mitchell 44-44-88, Troy Slattman 45-45-90.

KALIDA 342 - Grant Williams 36-39-75, Craig Langhals 40-39-79, Scott Langhals 45-45-90, Greg Recker 51-47-98.

FORT JENNINGS 344 – Scott Vetter 40-40-80, Mike Luebrecht 41-44-85, Mike Grone 48-42-90, Mitch Moening 46-43-89.

MILLER CITY 366 – Jeff Morman 45-48-93, Jeff Lammers 46-42-88, Dave Warnimont 47-50-97, Don Schmenk 45-43-88.

COLUMBUS GROVE 374 – Greg Bunn 43-42-85, Marc Smith 47-50-97, Lance Seyer 49-47-96, Jeff Schumaker 50-46-96.