

# Ottoville Claims PCL Golf Championship 2008 PCL Tournament

Putnam County Sentinel – Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

DELPHOS – Ottoville did what it couldn't do a year ago – win the Putnam County League golf title.

On their home course at Delphos Country Club a year ago, the Big Green finished second to Kalida. Monday the Big Green defended their home course as they edged Kalida by six strokes to win the title.

Ottoville shot a team score of 319 on Monday to slip past Kalida with a 325. Leipsic was third with a 366 followed by Columbus Grove with a 381, Fort Jennings with a 408 and Miller City with a 409.

"This was nice," Ottoville coach Jim Brown said. "Kalida just didn't back down. They had five guys on the first and second team which means they were consistent. They may not have gone real low today, but they were consistent and gave us a battle. They didn't let the pressure off us and I was pleased with how we came out and played."

The Big Green was led by senior Alex Odenweller as he shot a two over par round of 73. He was two over on the back nine after shooting even par on the front nine. Odenweller credited his short game to his earning medalist honors in his final PCL tournament.

"It feels good," Odenweller said of being medalist. "It's been a goal of mine. I had an average round today. My putting was really good and my short game was good. I made a couple of good putts. I was pretty happy with it."

Jordan Schimmoeller backed up Odenweller with a 76, as both earned first team honors. Troy Markward also earned first team honors with a 79, while Chris Rieger had a 91 and Tim Kramer a 94.

"Alex really shot a great round," Brown said. "With the pins in some really tough spots today, he went out and had a great round."

"Jordan Schimmoeller came off the front nine with a couple of bad breaks, then shot even par on the back nine which was really good. Troy Markward had a nice round. It may not have been where he wanted it, but it was a good round. Our number four and five guys didn't have great days, but they were able to grind a score out. We put some things together today and that's what golf is in a nutshell."

Matt Warnecke and Cody Buss paced Kalida as they picked up first team honors. They shot 78 and 81 respectively. Kyle Hoffman also earned first team honors with an 81. The Wildcats Tyler Verhoff and Alex Vorst

earned second team honors as they shot rounds of 85 and 88 respectively.

Columbus Grove made their first appearance in the PCL tournament in many years and saw Matt Jennell earn second team honors with an 89. Leipsic's Craig Myer picked up second team honors with an 87 and teammate Nathan Maag was on the second team with an 89.

Eight players earned all-academic awards Monday in Columbus Grove's Nate King, Milo Johns and Colby Halker, Kalida's Matt Warnecke and Leipsic's Craig Meyer, Stuart Inkrott, Sandra Bryan and Brian Potthoff.

## SCORES

**OTTOVILLE 319** - Alex Odenweller 73, Jordan Schimmoeller 76, Troy Markward 79, Chris Rieger 91 and Tim Kramer 94.

**KALIDA 325** – Matt Warnecke 78, Kyle Hoffman 81, Cody Buss 81, Tyler Verhoff 85 and Alex Vorst 88.

**LEIPSIC 366** – Craig Meyer 87, Nathan Maag 89, Stuart Inkrott 91, Drew Steffan 99 and Brian Potthoff 107.

**COLUMBUS GROVE 381** – Matt Jennell 89, Nate King 91, Clay Bryan 99, Blake Walker 102 and Taylor Giesige 109.

**FORT JENNINGS 408** – Cody Warnecke 96, Zach Schuerman 100, Adam Mesker 103, Tyler Dray 109 and Scott Wagner 130.

**MILLER CITY 409** – Tim Inkrott 96, David Rippetoe 101, Derek Griggs 103, Matt Westrick 109 and Kevin Kaufman 114.