

Wind affects golfers at Lexington

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Gusts up to 50 mph.

LEXINGTON—Wind that reached as high as 50 mph last week affected everyone's game during the Lexington Invite at Lakeside Country Club on April 13.

"The wind often blew the golf balls off the tees and hurried golfers to putt before the ball moved on the greens," said Swede golf coach Jim Henke.

Gothenburg finished eighth with a team score of 374 in the best four-of-six format.

Swede senior Derek Franzen finished in 10th place shooting an 86 on the day with steady rounds of 43 on the front and back nines.

North Platte took the team title with three medalists and a total score of 340. McCook was second at 344.

"Overall team scores were quite competitive and would seem to indicate there is more parity this year," Henke said. "Our guys hung in there really well."

Jeramie VanAcker was Gothenburg's second leading scorer with a round of 91, just three strokes outside a medal.

Jackson Graham shot 51 on the front nine and improved on the back by six strokes for a 96 total. Jack Dudley rounded out the top four with 101.

"Each player could tell a story about how the wind affected shots and made their ball end up in

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a bad place,” Henke said.

Shad Wellman of Lexington was the top golfer on the day shooting an 81.

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