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Swedes finish 11th at home.

Gothenburg golf coach Don Graham used to search for the local weather forecast daily, sometimes several times in a 24-hour period.

Knowing what Mother Nature has in store can not only help Graham prepare his Swede golfers for a meet but it also has significant bearing on business at Wild Horse Golf Club, where Graham is also the golf pro.

But this spring's below average temperatures and consistently high winds have Graham grumbling.

"I'm fed up with it," Graham said of the weather. "I don't even want to look any more."

The weather hasn't cooperated with the Swede golf team much at all this year, especially during the Gothenburg Invite at Wild Horse on Thursday.

Temperatures hovered around 40 degrees with winds 15-20 mph the entire meet, gusting as high as 26 mph.

"It was just miserable," Graham said.

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The cold and wind didn't do the Swedes any favors as the Gothenburg varsity finished 11th as a team and the reserves were 12th.

"The thing is, you could hit a decent shot and when the wind takes it, a good shot turns bad pretty quickly," Graham said.

Gothenburg finished with a score of 389, far behind the meet winner Scottsbluff with 318. McCook was runner-up with 328.

"It was a tough tournament for us all the way around," Graham said.

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