

Wild Horse hosts 9-state Midwest Cup

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Illinois takes team, individual titles

The Culver's Midwest Cup amateur tournament was played at Wild Horse Golf Club last weekend.

Nine different states were represented by 72 players from around the Midwest.

Nebraska, South Dakota, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Kansas, Missouri and Illinois had captains based on each state golf association points list. Those captains determined who to invite based on match ups of players from other states.

On Thursday, July 31, the tournament teed off at 1 p.m. for the first 18-holes of individual stroke play. That round was followed by a players dinner and reception at Wild Horse.

Saturday at noon, players teamed up for team stroke play along with individual strokes. A semi-formal reception at Nebraska Salt and Grain welcomed the players in the evening.

The final round of 18-holes was a shotgun start for individual and team stroke play.

Todd Mitchell represented well the state of Illinois by winning the individual championship. That victory led the Illinois team to victory as well.

Finishing in a tie for second in individual stroke play were Chris Long (South Dakota), Eric

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Busalacchi (Wisconsin) and Tim Sheppard (Illinois).

The Nebraska team finished fourth in the team competition and was led by Pat Duffy who finished tied for sixth in the individual 54-hole tournament.