

All-Area girls golf team is an 'under par' group

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Golfers from the Rochester and Troy areas dominated the girls' All-Observer & Eccentric area honor squad, as selected by area golf coaches.

Three golfers from the Rochester area, two from Troy schools and one from the Birmingham-Bloomfield area combine to make the six-member first-team squad. Two more Rochester area golfers and two each from Birmingham Marian and Bloomfield Hills Kingswood make up the second team.

Schools from the Southfield, Farmington and West Bloomfield areas do not compete in girls golf.

Rochester High School, fourth-place finishers at the Grand Blanc regional in May, landed two

girls on the first-team squad. State qualifier Rochester Adams, third-place finisher at Grand Blanc, placed one girl on the first team. One girl each from Kingswood, Troy High School and Troy Athens round out the top golf squad.

FIRST TEAM

Two golfers, Adams'

Jolayne Johnston and

Kingswood's Barbara

Gibbons, were unanimous

selections from the

coaches who participated

in the voting.

Johnston was one of

the top golfers in the

regional, shooting a score

of 95. The tough, consist-

ent competitor has been

Adams' lone scorer the

past two years.

Gibbons is recognized

as one of the finest golfers

in the area, although

injuries prevented her

from participating in

many of the dual matches

this season. Nonetheless,

Gibbons shot an impres-

sive 94 at regional com-

petition.

Rochester High's Sue

McColligan also received

high praise from area

coaches. An excellent all-

around athlete, McColgan

is a solid golfer, as well

as a below-average

regional, shooting 100,

but was quite consistent

throughout the season.

Marilyn Tatters was

Troy Athens' top golfer

this spring, although this

was only her first year as

a full-time golfer. Also an

all-around excellent ath-

lete, Tatters shot a 97 at

regionals and has great

golfing potential.

Rochester High's

Sherly Walden joins her

teammate McColligan on

the first team. She shot a

99 at regionals.

Rochester High's Tara

Stout played behind McColgan and Walden

most of the year on the bal-

anced squad. She shot a

105 at the regionals.

Rochester High's

Martha Christianson and

Tom Bentley, the squad's

two top golfers all spring,

also earned second-team

honors. Marian finished

fifth in the regionals

thanks to these two girls.

Christianson lacked con-

sistency at times, but

shot a solid 101 at the

regional. Bentley scored

behind Christianson most

of the season. She shot a

104 at the regionals.

Bloomfield Hills' Kings-

wood's Heidi Olson and

Amy Honer round out the

second-team selections.

Olson was usually the

top Aardvark golfer dur-

ing the dual-match sea-

son, while Gibbons was

injured. Honer was right

behind Olson in scoring

although she beat Olson

104-108, in the regionals.

99 at the regionals. The

last member of the first

team is Troy High's Ar-

lene Romanski. Only a

freshman, Romanski

showed remarkable con-

sistency and a good at-

titude all season. She shot

in the high 40s most of

the dual-match season at

the tough Sylvan Glen

golf course and capped

the season with 100 at the

regional.

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