

Kiehler stays course to win O&E title

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Chris Kiehler was in control. Steady play would earn him the title at last weekend's annual Observer & Eccentric Men's Golf Tournament, hosted by Livonia's Fox Creek and Whispering Willows golf courses.

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It wouldn't come easily, not this victory. Any slip-ups like at the 439-yard par-four No. 10, which Kiehler double-bogeyed, would add drama to this tournament.

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It wasn't about to happen, however. Kiehler had learned his lesson. That double-bogey would not be repeated. The momentum gained by Chas Kornegay, who narrowed the deficit to two strokes after the 10th, didn't last. Indeed, Kornegay gave those two strokes right back with a six on the par-four 11th, a hole that Kiehler parred.

Nothing could derail Kiehler after that, including a lightning storm that precipitated the stop-play siren, which sounded just after the leaders had teed off at 18. The 1996 graduate of Livonia Churchill HS parred that final hole despite the rain and lightning (his foursome opted to play through it and finish their round), just like he did most every other hole on route to a three-over par 144.

Kornegay, from Plymouth, placed second in the championship flight with a seven-over 148, with Michael Caruso of Canton taking third with a 10-over 151.

In first flight, Jon Hund of Westland followed a solid first-round score of 80 with a 77 to win by six strokes over runner-up Jim Leake of Canton and Chris Hollman of Livonia (163 apiece). And in second flight, Gordon Stefanick of Livonia overtook Tom Hollman of Farmington with a final-round 82 to win by a stroke.

Kiehler, a winner of the Western Lakes Activities Association Tournament in 1995, wouldn't credit his putting with the victory. "I doubled 10, which was not good," he said of his double-bogey at 10 on Sunday, "and I missed three birdie putts from

less than five feet."

He made up for it with accurate iron play, hitting 13 of 18 greens. "I can't strike the ball any better," he said. "Not on my drives — they were OK. But my irons were great."

Although Kiehler hadn't been playing that much lately, he was hardly a stranger to the courses. He played both Fox Creek, the site of Saturday's first round, and Whispering Willows, Sunday's second-round site, while at Churchill. "I know these courses," he admitted.

Now 23, this was Kiehler's fourth appearance in the O&E Tournament. Last year he placed third.

"I felt pretty good by 16 (Sunday)," he said after paring the 487-yard par-five, "after I went to four-up."

As for finishing in a lightning storm, Kiehler and the other members of his foursome had no intention of founding a "Survivor's Golf Tour." "We just didn't want to come back," he said. At least not until next year.

PRIZE WINNERS

Championship flight, low gross — first place: Kiehler, \$180 gift certificate (G.C.) plus trophy; second: Kornegay, \$130 G.C. plus trophy; third: Steve Ponke, \$100 G.C.; fourth: Kevin Furlong \$80 G.C. Low net — first: Caruso, \$120 G.C.; second place: Jeff Pett, \$90; third: Rick Wheeler, \$70.

First flight, low gross — first: Jon Hund, \$150 G.C. plus trophy; second: Jim Leake (in playoff), \$110 G.C. plus trophy; third (tie): Fred Gunderson and Dave Nichols, \$80 G.C. each. Low net — first: Chris Hollman, \$100 G.C.; second (tie): Nick Mustafis and Dale Cordes, \$40 G.C. each.

Second flight, low gross — first: Gordon Stefanick, \$110 G.C. plus trophy; second: Tom Hollman, \$90 G.C. plus trophy; third: Dave Mack, \$70 G.C. plus trophy. Low net — Tom Sokolowski, \$80 G.C.



PHOTO BY DON ALLEY

Tourney champion: Chad Kiehler makes a putt en route to winning the Observer & Eccentric golf tournament.

Falcons earn city golf title

The Farmington High School golf team found the spirit of '76 was enough to carry it to the city championship.

The Falcons got a score of four-over 76 from each of three golfers Monday in a team total of 309 that won the Farmington city tournament at the Huron Meadows Golf Course.

Farmington's score was six shots better than runnerup Farmington Harrison's 315. North Farmington finished third with a score of 336.

"I was extraordinarily pleased in a general sort of way," Farmington coach Jim Miner said.

"Our No. 4 player, Drew Mortens, missed the match for personal reasons, and Matt Ryder slid into his place. This was by far his best performance. He was very much on for the 18 holes."

Ryder, Keith Hay and Brynn Proven each shot 76, with Proven getting tabbed as the medalist because he had the best score on the roughest Huron Meadows hole.

Sophomore Mike Schuyler chipped in an 81 to help the Falcons win their first test of the fall prep golf season.

"A lot of the players played very well, considering the conditions," Miner said. "The course was slow. It rained the previous few days."

"The fairways and greens were in good shape, but there was no roll on the fairway. If you happened to hit the ball in the rough, it was difficult to get out, because it was so wet."

In addition, there was a one-to-two-club wind that always seemed to be blowing in the players' faces.

"So it was quite an accomplishment to come up with the scores they did," Miner said.

The same teams, plus seven additional rivals, played the same course Wednesday in the annual Farmington Invitational.

FARMINGTON CITY MEET

Aug. 20 at Huron Meadows
Team results: 1. Farmington, 309; 2. Harrison, 315; 3. North Farmington, 336.
Farmington scores: Bryan Proven (medalist), Keith Hay and Matt Ryder, 76; Mike Schuyler, 81; non-scores: Jason Weiser, 53; Adam Ellis, 68.

Harrison scores: Chris Fitzgerald, 77; David Koch, 78; Matt Lee, 79; John Kluka, 81; non-scores: Matt Kjolhede, 91; Paul Marzanka, 88.
North Farmington scores: Brian Bober, 81; Aaron Newman, 84; Vince McKean, 85; Justin Hezrich, 86; non-scores: Scott Moscow and Randy Yu, 93.

JUNIOR VARSITY MATCH

Team results: 1. Farmington, 348; 2. North Farmington, 358; 3. Farmington, 359.
Harrison scores: Joey Gravers, 79 (medalist); Danny Dalg, 85; Ian Chomboy and Bryan Theisen, 92; non-scores: Adam Schiff, 101; Craig Brown, 109.

North Farmington scores: Adam Armbruster and Tony Rea, 87; Bob Turvich, 90; John Hesse, 94; non-scores: Andrew Stankis, 94; Eric Swaidan, 97.
Farmington scores: Jeff Tostolan, 87; Andy Demetris and Jason Clave, 90; Chris Frye, 92; non-scores: Max Moore, 97; Brad Cregar, 103.

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