

# Feasting On Home Course, Devil Golfers Finish First

Mooreville Senior High's golf team feasted on home-course cooking Monday afternoon.

And the Devils served up a first-place finishing dish in the process.

Serving their lone time as hosts for a Southern District Seven Conference golf match Monday, the Blue Devils made the most of familiarity with a tight and stroke-stealing back nine on Mooreville's Municipal Golf Course to wind up as team meet medalists.

The hosts used their four lowest scorers to fashion a nine-hole team total of 169 strokes, bettering the remaining seven teams in attendance by a minimum of four strokes.

It marked the first time this season that Mooreville, among the contenders for the team conference title, finished first in a league meet.

As a result, the Devils remained fourth in the overall league stroke totals, after all teams drop their allowable two highest scores.

However, when counting all scores posted by teams in conference play, Mooreville leads the way with the lowest total.

As it now stands, following Monday's play, Mooreville has an official league stroke count of

## Well-Rested Devilettes Get Busy

Mooreville Senior High's softball team received a nearly two-week-long break from action over the recent Easter holidays.

The Devilettes are going to need it.

Entering this week's agenda that marks the team's return to regular season play, the Lady Devils face a hectic stretch that features the playing of three Southern District Seven Conference games within as many afternoons.

Mooreville, fielding a 2-2 conference record complimenting a 5-2 overall ledger, breaks an idle period that began March 29 with this week's busy slate.

The Devilettes were tabled to resume playing late Tuesday afternoon, doing so by traveling to face Maiden's identically-named Devilettes.

Then, this (Wednesday) afternoon, the Lady Devils of head coach Nancy Dilks play at home for the first time since mid March when entertaining the Lady Yellow Jackets of Bessemer City.

That contest features a 4:30 p.m. start on the Moor Park field that serves as the Lady Devils' home turf.

With no rest in between, Mooreville caps its busy return to play by returning to the road and facing homestanding West Lincoln tomorrow (Thursday) evening.

Following that hectic routine, the Lady Devils will enjoy a four-day break before resuming SD-7 action next week by hosting Cherryville next Tuesday afternoon.

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501, which ranks it fourth overall. Both Newton-Conover and Bunker Hill, after dropping their respective highest team scores, check in with the same, 489 total strokes to share first, while Chase sits next in line at 495.

There are four more regular-season league matches remaining.

Teams and individuals will be allowed to drop the highest two scores posted by each during regulation league play.

However, during the course of the two 18-hole conference tournament rounds, all team and player stroke totals will count.

Mooreville fashioned the lowest total stroke count of any attending team earlier this week when motoring around a difficult stretch of nine holes in a combined 169 strokes.

Leading the way among the top four players whose scores counted for the team was underclassman Jason Young.

Saving par with a close chip and solid putt on the par-three 12th hole, his second of the day following a shotgun start, Young used that momentum to craft a nine-hole total of 40 strokes, four over par.

It wound up as not only the best score for his team-leading Mooreville squad, but also second-best in the entire match.

Only Newton-Conover's Nathan Zimmerman managed to match par, with a score of 36, to win individual medalist honors.

Young's score of 40 was second best in the entire 55-player field. Butch Farrington, who has been the Devils' top player all season as a freshman, turned the back nine with 42 strokes, six over par, tying him for the team's second-best total.

David Wilson, the lone senior among the four contributing players, also fired a 42 on the back nine.

And Matt Ray, a returning all-conference player, used his round of nine-over 45 to round out Mooreville's top four scores.

The hosts, who like others in the field had to weather a mid-round thunderstorm delay before completing play, finished four strokes ahead of second-place finishing Bunker Hill, which used its four scorers to reach a team total of 173 strokes.

Newton-Conover wound up third in the team scores, with a 178, while Bandys made one of its strongest showings of the season to finish at 181.

Bessemer City wound up fifth in the field with a 183 stroke total, while Chase suffered through one of its worst showings to finish at 187.

Cherryville placed seventh with a total of 198, followed by Maiden, at 200 strokes.

The match, the conference's first following an extended Easter holiday break, accounted for the only home appearance by Mooreville in a league affair this season.

The Devils return to the league links for additional play later this week.

Mooreville will join the rest of the field in making the trip to Bunker Hill's home Rock Barn golf course tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon for the second league stop of the week.

Early next week, the Devils venture to Catawba County Club, home course for Newton-Conover's Red Devils, for a league outing Monday afternoon.



Team medalist Young chips toward 12th pin

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