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Athlete of the Week: Koster plays fantastically

by Brian E. Gregory Collegian Staff

To compare him to Jack Nicklaus may be a bit premature, but Behrend golf team member Dave Koster, this week's Athlete of the Week, is playing fantastic.

The sophomore business major shot a 76 last week at the Eastern Coast Athletic Conference Qualifiers.

"I missed the cut by one," he said, "but this was the best that I have played since I shot a 65 at Gospel Hill," said Koster.

"He really enjoys to play golf," said Coach Herb Lauffer. "There is no one who gets in more rounds of practice a year than Dave. He desires to be a quality player, and he is willing to work hard to make his goal."

Koster has played well. His 18 hole average of 82 is down two strokes from last year's final totals.

Koster attributes this to constant practice and, in

particular, the improvement of his short game. "It (the short game) has been very consistent. I am hitting the ball very well," he said

Coach Lauffer agrees saying, "His lower body is important to his swing and he's very rhythmic in his stroke. When he is playing well it seems that he is almost effortless. He hits the ball very long and with great form."

Koster has participated in five tournaments this year. He shot an 84 at both the Mercyhurst Invitational and the Pitt-Bradford Tournament. He followed those up with an 83 at Lakeview and an 82 at Gannon. He also shot a 76 at the ECAC Qualifier came at Saratoga Spa State Park.

"I've been a more consistent golfer this year when it comes to my average," said Koster. "I averaged 84 last year but with scores in the low 80s and low

90s. This year I have shot my average every round."

Lauffer said that Koster's performance at Saratoga Spa is a good indicator of what he can achieve in the spring. "I believe that he can play good golf courses and good competition while breaking 80."

Ben Hogan, a PGA golfer, once said, "The toughest fairway is the five and a half inches between your ears."

Lauffer applied this quote to Koster by saying, "You have to be focused and calm your nerves. If Dave does this he can get into the seventies."

Koster, who also lettered for four years on the Harborcreek High School golf team, said that in the future he would like to be the head pro at a golf course someday.

While it is too soon to compare him to Nicklaus, this Athlete of the Week may one day be Golf Pro of the Week.

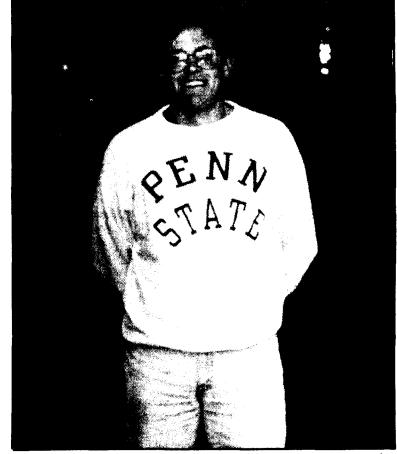


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Swinging away: Sophomore David Koster of the Behrend men's golf team is this week's Athlete of the Week for his performance at the ECAC qualifier.

WPSE airs 'The Point After'

by Alicia Hartman

"The Point After," a new callin show on AM 1450 WPSE, airs at seven o'clock every Wednesday night.

The show is hosted by students Jerry Bruno, sports director; Julie Stocker, student station manager; and Brian Gregory, assistant student station manager.

According to Bruno, the purpose of the show is to "analyze all of the (NFL) games of the week and take a look at the week ahead."

In addition to a trivia contest in which callers can win two tickets to the Millcreek Mall cinema, the

show has three features.

"Down in the Pound," hosted by Bruno, focuses on the play of the Cleveland Browns.

"Iron City Report," hosted by Stocker, focuses on the Pittsburgh Steelers' record.

"Inside the Helmet," hosted by Gregory, focuses on the games of the Buffalo Bills.

Each of the hosts also discusses two conferences. Bruno covers the AFC East and the AFC Central, Stocker covers the AFC West and the NFC Central, and Gregory covers the NPC East and the NFC West.

Also included in the show are picks for that week and the next, and what Bruno calls a

"refrigerator report' for the most boring game of the week."

Stocker said of being a host, "I had to work very hard to learn the game of football like I know baseball and basketball."

Gregory said of the show, "It's not only having our knowledge of football but how we integrate and analyze the details of the game."

Bruno thought of the idea for the show in May. He said, "I wanted to make WPSE more student oriented."

Lori Dyer, Radio Club treasurer and past board operator for WPSE, named the show.

"The point after is the kick after the touchdown. I liked it because it's symbolic...it's a in. We average about five calls a look back at different points or aspects of the previous week's games," she said.

Bruno said, "Both students and the community have been calling

show.'

The show will air throughout the football season and will conclude the week of the Superbowl.

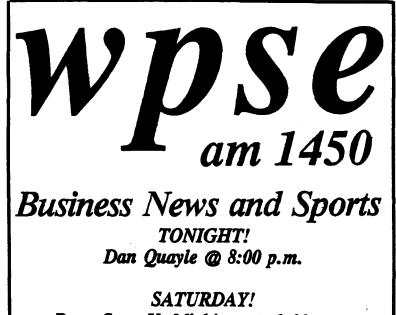




Photo by Marc Johnson/Collegian Photographer Taiking pigekin: Brian Gregory, Julie Stocker, and Jerry Bruno host "The Point After" on AM 1450 WPSE.

Penn State V. Michigan @ 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY! Rebroadcast of Quayle lecture @ 8:00 p.m.

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL! Call the Football Hotline @ 8:06 p.m. Minnesota v. NY Giants @ 8:45 p.m.

TUESDAY! Provost Speaker: Dr. Robert Tauber @ Noon

> WEDNESDAY! "The Point After" Jerry, Julie & Brian talk sports @ 7:06 p.m.