

Young golf team learns from dismal season

by Mark Owens
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After a 10-year hiatus, the Behrend golf team has spent the past three seasons getting back into the swing of things.

The young squad takes its 0-4 record on the road today to the Eastern Coast Athletic Conference qualifier in Hamilton, NY. Golf coach David First says their record reflects a young but growing team.

"We have a lot of new and young players on the team. They're not used to playing the competition or competing in tournaments yet," he said.

The team includes veterans Mike Robel and Bill Poad, as well as first year players Steve North, Pat Sandusky and Greg Yochim.

Another player, Josh Fasenmyer, has been sidelined because of a broken collarbone.

So far, the Behrend linksters have placed last in their tournaments, but First says that's to be expected.

"Right now they do fine in practice, but once they get out on the course the nerves hit. They have potential though. Steve North has a good swing, while Bill Poad and Mike Robel are coming along nicely.

"Basically everyone on the squad is capable of



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Preparation: Senior Dave Whiteman takes a practice swing as he readies for a putt in last Saturday's Provost's golf tournament.

shooting a good game -- we just need to build up some confidence."

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Golf coach

The squad's skipper is no stranger to Behrend's golf

teams. First played during the late 70's before the sport was discontinued.

First said: "During that time we had a few good players and did a little better in some areas. But times

have changed and so has golf. Things are way different now -- tournaments, style of play. It's a whole different game."

First added today's team is better than the numbers suggest.

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Netters end losing streak with victory over Thiel

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The women's tennis team ended their six game losing streak by defeating Thiel College 7-2 on September 27th.

Singles winners were Nichole Anderson, Steffani Rasche, Karen Major, Jennifer Scribner, and Michelle Schaffner.

Anderson, the number one seed for Behrend, won decisively 7-6, 6-0. Rasche won the first set of her match 6-2. She then lost the second set 6-4 but came on strong in the third set 7-5 to cap the win.

Doubles winners were the teams of Anderson-Rasche and Louisa Urgo-Major.

The lady netters next played Allegheny College in their first home match since September 15th. Allegheny handed Behrend their seventh loss of the season by defeating them 9-0. No lady

netter went into a third set against an Allegheny opponent.

In response to the loss to Allegheny, Coach Dan Gallegos said, "We just aren't at that level yet. The top three played really well."

Anderson provided the most competition for Allegheny, losing 6-4, 6-4. Gallegos said, "Nichole looked real good against Allegheny."

Behrend will be entering a tournament on October 5th and 6th at St. John Fisher College. The tournament will feature both singles and doubles play.

Making the trip to St. John Fisher to compete in singles play will be Nichole Anderson, Melissa Clark, and Steffani Rasche.

Also, in doubles, participants will be Anderson, Clark, Rasche, and Major.

Behrend's current record is 2-7.

Behrend sports scoreboard

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Behrend 2, Washington and Jefferson 0

15-4, 16-14

Championship match

Alfred 2, Behrend 1

15-8, 11-15, 15-5

Oct. 2

Waynesburg 2, Behrend 0

15-8, 15-7

Behrend 2, Thiel 1

Tennis

Sept. 27

Behrend 7, Thiel 2

SINGLES: Nicole Anderson (B) def. Jenny Chalabian 7-6, 6-0; Steffani Rasche (B) def. Lianne Truman 6-2, 4-6, 7-5; Shelle Kundrick (T) def. Louisa Urgo 6-3, 6-2; Karen Major, J.J. Scribner, and Michelle Schaffner (B)

all won by default.

DOUBLES: Anderson-Rasche and Urgo-Major won by default; Chalabian-Kundrick def. Scribner-Schaffner 6-0, 6-1.

Sept. 29

Mercyhurst 9, Behrend 0

SINGLES: Janet Holzhauser def. Nicole Anderson 6-1, 6-1; Kimberley Clark def. Melissa Clark 6-2, 6-1; Kate Calhoun def. Steffani Rasche 6-1, 6-1; Julia Porter def. Karen Major 6-0, 6-0; Kim Malinowski def. Louisa Urgo 6-1, 6-1; Jennifer Schutz def. Kathleen Rozumny 6-2, 6-0.

DOUBLES: Holahauser-Kelly Pfeufer def. Anderson-Rasche 6-1, 6-4; Schultz Catherine O'Reilly def. Nicholas-Mardquardt 6-0, 6-0; Katie Beirne-Maureen Lally def. Scribner-Hartman 7-5, 6-2.



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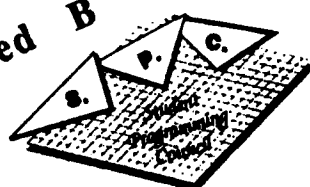
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