

Follow through! Erik Wickert keeps his form as he eyes the ball during a match at the Blue Ash Golf course.

Fore! Leadership Brings Success!

The varsity golf team compiled a 12-3 dual match record, finished second in the Greater Miami Conference Tournament, and was runner up in the sectional tournament at Glenview.

Led by seniors Todd Nemenz and Nate Peterson, junior Eric Harpsoe, and sophomores Adam Dumes and Jason Greiner, the linksters improved over last year's record of 8-7. "The season went pretty well," said Nemenz. "Beating St. Xavier was a big thrill because they were ranked second in the city."

Nemenz, who made first team all-city, averaged 37.8 for nine-hole matches and was the medalist in the GMC league tournament.

The junior varsity team also had another winning season compiling a 7-3 record. Coach Paul Alexander, who has never had a losing season in 17 years as assistant coach, said, "We started out

great by winning our first five matches and finished the second half of the season with a record of 2-3." The three losses included two to St. Xavier and one to Elder.

When there was no match, the team practiced at Blue Ash once or twice a week working on their putting and short game.

Team leaders included sophomores David Johnson, Alan Roth, Ryan Hengehold, and Chad Barrett. "Johnson lead the

team. He was our number one player from the qualifying rounds through the end of the season," said Alexander.

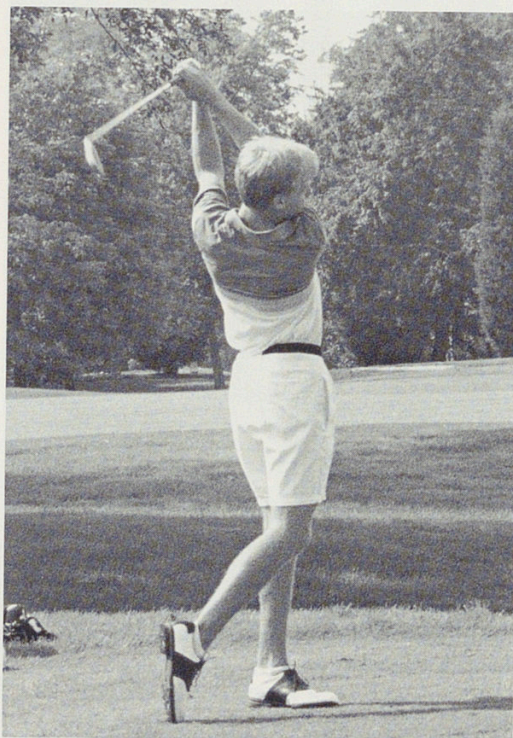
What about the future? "The team handled itself well in pressure situations," Alexander commented, "and there will probably be room for three or more sophomores to move up to varsity next year."

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Nice swing! Junior golfer Steve Burk tees off on the first hole for the Aviators during a match against Moeller.

Perfect form! All GMC Medalist Todd Nemenz concentrates on his swing. Nemenz was later named All-City as well.

