

SPORTS

HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

Broncos girls 2nd, boys 3rd in the Falls Invitational at FCC

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

The rain held off to play 18 holes Wednesday when the International Falls boys and girls golf teams hosted the Falls Invite at the Falls Country Club.

In the only home meet of the year, the Bronco girls placed second out of four teams.

Hibbing won the girls competition with the top team score of 402, followed by the Falls (450), Eveleth-Gilbert (460) and Virginia (529).

The Bluejackets also finished with the top-two girls golfers after Lilly Rewertz and Vanessa Yeager carded a 91 and 94, respectively.

The Broncos took the next two places with senior Katie West recording a 98, a stroke ahead of freshman Olivia Besch.

The Falls' two other golfers whose scores counted toward the team total included freshmen Maggie Roeder, 13th at 119, and Kaitlin Stallard, 17th at 134. The five other Bronco girls golfers who played in the meet included Olivia Wright (137), Kenzie Wenberg (144), Shelby Tanner (151), Morgan Hedlund (152) and Brinkley Busch (155).

FHS BOYS THIRD

Nine strokes separated the top-three boys teams when the Broncos had two teams play in the meet with Falls' No. 1 team placing third out of seven teams.

Virginia topped the team standings at 309, followed by Eveleth-Gilbert (313), Falls No. 1 (318), Dryden (341), North Woods (351), Hibbing (390) and Falls No. 2 (393).

Virginia's Andrew Sederlund and Dryden's Kirk Markowski topped the leaderboard with both carding a 73. Virginia's Alex Lackner placed third at 75.

The Broncos had three golfers in the top 10 with senior Brady Walls also tallying a 75. Sophomore Eric Cann placed seventh at 79 and freshman Brady Wright finished 10th at 80.

Falls freshman Riley Nemec was the Broncos' other boys golfer whose score counted toward the No. 1 team's total after finishing 14th with an 84.

Other Falls boys golfers who finished under 100 included eighth-grader Josh Cann (91), freshman Austin VanHeel and Josh Milette, both at 93, freshman Brock



At left, the Broncos' Katie West watches a putt head toward the hole while golfing the front nine during Wednesday's Falls Invite at the Falls Country Club. West finished third with a 98 for 18 holes.



The Broncos' Olivia Besch watches a fairway shot she hit on hole No. 4 in Wednesday's Falls Invite at the Falls Country Club. Besch placed fourth with a 99 for 18 holes.

O'Loughlin (94) and eighth-grader Jake Klow (99).

Falls Invite GIRLS

Team scores: Hibbing 402, International Falls 450, Eveleth-Gilbert 460, Virginia 529.

BOYS

Team scores: Virginia 309, Eveleth-Gilbert 313, International Falls (1) 318, Dryden 341, North Woods 351, Hibbing 390, International Falls (2) 393.



The Broncos' Brady hits a chip shot on hole No. 16 in Wednesday's Falls Invite at the Falls Country Club. Wright placed 10th with an 80 for 18 holes.



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