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Although the Perkins County golfers placed third, the girls did not meet the goal they'd set for themselves at the Bridgeport Invite on Sept. 24.

Met with a cool, occasionally wet day, the girls had to persevere and work hard, said Coach Troy Kemling. Though they tried their best, Kemling said things just didn't go their way.

Bridgeport scored 391 as a team for first place. Perkins County scored 457 for third.

"I am hoping this meet motivates us to work hard between now and districts," he said.

Jeannie Kuskie and sister Janet Kuskie both placed in the top 10 individually. Jeannie placed seventh with a score of 99 and Janet's score of 109 put her in ninth place.

"Jeannie (Kuskie) began her day well and ended it well, but had a tough stretch in the middle," said Kemling. Even though she putted and chipped well, she didn't have the consistency she usually does, however, was able to secure seventh place.

"I was happy for Janet (Kuskie) to finish in ninth place today," said Kemling. She struggled with getting off the tee with her driver and switched to her hybrid part way through the round, he said.

"She tried to make some adjustments during the round but just couldn't get it figured out."

Finishing with a very solid nine was Emily Kiolbasa, even though she had a disappointing opening nine, said Kemling.

"She should be encouraged with her improvement through the day—I sure was," said Kemling.

Never giving up and doing the best she could for the day was Stephanie Reichert who had a tough day where she just couldn't make consistent contact on the club face, Kemling said.

Team Scores
1. Bridgeport 391
2. Garden Co. 433
3. Perkins Co. 457
4. Bayard 487
5. Gordon/Rush 490
6. Gering JV 527

Individual Scores
1. T. Huck, Bridgeport 90
2. E. Wright, Bridgeport 94
3. J. Pilkington, Bayard 96
4. M. Lutz, Garden Co 97
5. B. Hardin, Gor/Rush 97
6. J. Huck, Bridgeport 98
7. Jeannie Kuskie, PC 99
8. S. Lightfritz, Garden Co 105
9. Janet Kuskie, PC 109
10. A. Garza, Bridgeport 109

Next Meet

The lady golfers competed with Hershey on Tuesday in Sutherland and will enter Districts in Ogallala on Monday, Oct. 5.

Ogallala Invitational

Scoring their lowest team score of the season, the Perkins County girls golf team finished second at the Ogallala Invite on Monday, Sept. 21.

"I think we took a step forward today to becoming a good team that can challenge for a spot at districts," Coach Troy Kemling said.

Having to focus on their game and not the elements that offered cool temperatures, strong winds and occasional showers, the girls rose to the challenge, with two finishing in the top ten.

Jeannie Kuskie won the meet with a score of 95, but lost to K. Haynes of Chadron in a sudden-death playoff.

"She should be proud of her efforts," Kemling said. "Very few scores were lower than her 44 on the front nine—even in the larger schools.

Janet Kuskie, with a 106, finished in 10th place.

Emily Kiolbasa, who was playing in her second meet of the year, finished within one stroke of her all-time low.

"She really gritted out the round today and demonstrated her desire to play. I was proud of her," said her coach.

Stephanie Reichert scored 121 for the meet, struggling with consistency.

"Stephanie had flashes of brilliance—such as an eight-foot birdie putt on the first hole; and then moments where she threw strokes away unnecessarily," Kemling said. "She needs to eliminate those extra strokes that seem to limit her."

Team Results
(Division 2)
1. Chadron 428
2. Perkins Co. 429
3. Hershey 439
4. Kimball 444
5. Ogallala JV 448
6. Garden Co. 454
7. Broken Bow 479
8. Cozad 485
9. Dundy Co. 530
10. Creek Valley NS

Individual Results
(Division 2)
1. K. Haynes, Chad 95
2. Jeannie Kuskie, PC 95
3. T. Hager, Kim 96
4. K. Hanson, Chad 102
5. B. Vohland, Br Bow 102
6. K. Jasnoch, Og 103
7. K. Stevens, Chad 104

8. J. Haase, Her 104
9. N. Cox, Her 106
10. Janet Kuskie, PC 106

Other Perkins Co. Scores:
Emily Kiolbasa 107
Stephanie Reichert 121