

Estill Golf Team hosts CGB Estill Invitational

The Estill County Boys Golf team just completed their home tournament at the Estill County Golf Club Sponsored by Citizens Guaranty Bank.

The team finished third out of 10 participating teams. Their team score was a 308, which was bested by Pulaski County's 302 and Clay County's 296.

The overall individual winner was Clifton Scully of Madison Southern with a round of 67. Finishing as 2nd place individual was Justin Begley of Clay County with a round of 70. Estill County's Kade Benton beat Pulaski County's Reece Broughton on the first playoff hole to take home the third place trophy after shooting a round of 72.

Estill's Kenny Rose finished the day with a score of 77, Caden Stewart shot a round of 81. Brody Mainous in his first high school tournament of his young career carded a 78, and rounding out the scoring

for the Engineers was 8th grader Logan Friend with an 85.

Other Estill County team members competing in their first high school tournament were Taylor Stewart who carded an 86 on the day. Also 8th grader Jace Mills who shot a 97 and 7th grader Matthew Elam who finished the day with a 106.

Coach Rick Benton is very excited about this bunch of young golfers. "They work extremely hard, and each day their main goal is to get better." He believes that they will be ready to challenge the best teams in the region come September.

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The 2021 Estill County Engineers Boys Golf Team, left to right: Caden Stewart, Kenny Rose, Taylor Stewart, Brody Mainous, Logan Friend, Kade Benton, and Coach Rick Benton.

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Estill Golf Club and all of its members give to our golf programs in the Estill County School District is unmatched across the state, and we cannot

thank them enough. Les Benedict the president of the golf club always goes above and beyond for our student athletes and it is much appreciated.

Estill County Girls Golf Team off to a great start

The Estill County Girls Golf Team played in London this past week, and left with a second place finish. The girls competed in the Tri County Invitational with host schools South Laurel, North Laurel, and Corbin combining for the tournament. The event was held at London Country Club. The Engineers were led by overall individual Champion Maddi Jo Benton who carded a 72.

That was two shots better than Owen County's Lilly Bauman's 74. Addison Beard finished the day with a 106, Hannah Raider shot a 108, and Maddie Walters carded a 120.

The Lady Engineers second tournament of the season took place at Gibson Bay for Madison Central's Invitational. Due to

a sickness, Addison Beard was unable to finish the round, therefore the girls were not able to compile a team score. Maddi Jo Benton finished 3rd place overall with a score of 75. She was only one shot behind the winner Abigail Sutherland from Sacred Heart of Louisville and Runner Up Mary Keene Marrs from Lexington Christian Academy as they carded a 74 on the day. Hannah Raider finished the tourney with a score of 108 and Maddie Walters carded a 111. Coach Benton is so proud of the dedication and hard work these young ladies put forth every day. They will travel to Eagles Nest in Somerset this Saturday to compete in the Pulaski County Invitational.



Maddi Jo Benton carded a 75 to win 3rd place in the Madison Central Invitational at Richmond



Coach, and dad, Rick Benton with Maddi Jo Benton, 1st place winner at South Laruel Invitational

Muncie and Wilson named volleyball coaches

McKeely Muncie has been hired as the head volleyball coach for Estill County High School for the 2021-2022 season.

McKeely played 6 years of volleyball for the Lady Engineers volleyball team from 2010-2016 and was named to the 56th's All-District Team in the 2015-16 season.

Coach Muncie also pitched for the Lady Engineers softball team and was 2016 14th Region player of the year. She was fortunate enough to be a part of four district titles and four 14th Region wins, including four trips to the state tournament, while in high school from 2012-2016. McKeely is also an assistant coach for Lady Engineers softball team.

Caley Judge Wilson, who has been hired as the assistant coach, also played for the Lady Engineers from 2010-2016.

McKeely and Caley have been lifelong friends and say that coaching together is like second nature. McKeely says the team has lots of natural athletic talent but they have a lot of new players in different roles. They are also learning a new offense.

Estill returns seven seniors this year: Neesa West, Mallory York, Katie Johnson, Mia Hale, Emma Webb, Mia Lynch and Macy Reed.

The Junior team consists of Summer Bowman, Alyssa Muncie, Kaylee McIntosh and Maci Muncie (who is playing soccer for ECHS as well). The sophomores are Savana Newton, Kylahey Covey and Aaliyah Rogers. The freshmen are Aleya Bingham, Alyssa Carmichael, Cassidy Barnes, Lauren McIntosh, Mikalynn Canter, Peyton Henderson, Tartn Beall and Marlo Puckett.

Muncie takes over coaching duties from Chaston and Shayla Rachelle Bringer Carroll. Shayla started coaching Estill's volleyball in 2015 and since their marriage in 2016, she and Chaston coached through the 2020 season.

The first two seasons (2015 and 2016) were fairly uneventful but Estill improved to 16-14 in 2017. The following year, the Carrolls led the team to one of Estill's best ever seasons with a 21-10 record and a 56th District Runner-Up title. The Lady Engineers were 14-9 in 2019. Last year, during a Covid-limited season, Estill was 3-3.



Estill County's new volley ball coach and assistant, Caley Judge Wilson, assistant coach, and McKeely Muncie, Estill's new head volleyball coach.

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Day Trips in the Bluegrass

Over the last year local tourism has been more important than ever with most long distance vacations being canceled or postponed. Kentucky is a beautiful state with lots to discover, but have you really explored the Bluegrass Area? This is the year to rethink your travel plans based upon these highlights of all of the great attractions and day trips in the Bluegrass Area awaiting you! Madison McAlmond, Nicholas County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences will present this lesson via Zoom on August 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Join us from your own home via zoom: <https://uky.zoom.us/j/81817940607>. For more information contact the Estill County Extension Office at 606-723-4557.

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