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NEWS RELEASE

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State Finals Preview: Girls Golf Season Peaks at Prairie View Golf Club

A new golf course will be the setting as Indiana's top high school girls golfers will settle this year's team and individual state champions this weekend.

The 42nd Annual IHSAA Girls Golf State Finals will be played at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel for the first time, the fifth course ever to host the event. The finals had been played at The Legends Golf Club in Franklin the previous 14 years.

All competitors will play 36 holes over the two-day event. A total of 15 teams have advanced five golfers each and 25 individuals have moved on without their squads for a total of 100 participants. Groups will be teeing off the 1st and 10th tees at 8:30 am ET / 7:30 am CT on Friday. The first round tee times and pairings are available [here](#).

Top-ranked and defending state champion Carmel leads a group of six returning teams from last year, the fewest since 1990 when only four teams made a return trip from the previous season.

Four of those six schools won regional championships last Saturday including the Greyhounds, Evansville North, Hamilton Southeastern and first-time winner Lake Central, the victor at Battle Ground Golf Club near Lafayette.

All five Individual regional champions have advanced without their teams this weekend including Jaycee Bunner of Fort Wayne Blackhawk, Amanda Detmer of Madison, Samantha Hatter of Lafayette Jefferson, Kennedy Holtsclaw of Bedford North Lawrence, and Betsy Werner of Indianapolis Cathedral.

Werner's 68 at Westwood on Saturday is the best individual score so far this tournament with Bunner, Holtsclaw and Bloomington South's Emma Fisher each carding a 69.

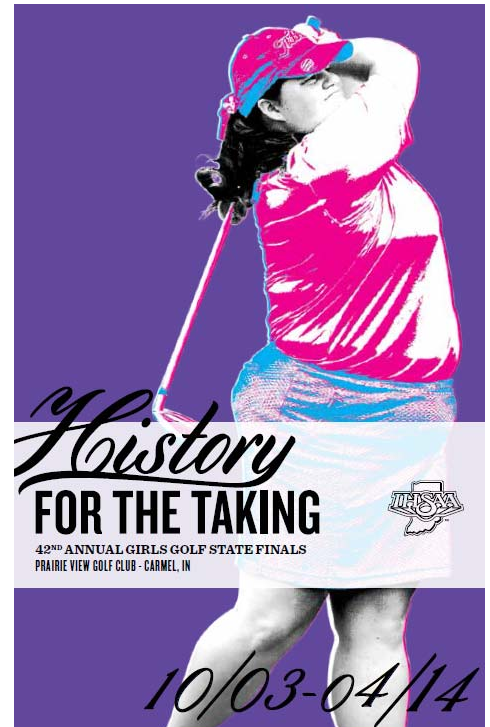
Detmer won the regional at Smock with a 70 and is one of seven players returning from last year's Top 20 finishers after her 149 was good for an eighth place finish a year ago. Carmel's Maggie Rees, who finished tied for second to Detmer with a 74, finished fourth at this tournament a year ago.

No. 2 Evansville North posted the two lowest team scores over the last two weeks. The Huskies' 294 at the sectional at Fendrich tied for the fifth-best sectional score ever while their 295 at Country Oaks was the best regional mark ever. In that tournament, all five golfers tallied a 77 or better.

No. 5 Westfield and New Palestine will make their first trips to state in school history this weekend. Westfield finished runner-up to Carmel at Smock while New Pal took third at Westwood.

Three schools ended long droughts to make it back to state led by Wawasee which qualified as team for the first time in 28 years (1986). Crown Point ended a 23-year span (1991) and Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger made it back after a 10-year dry spell.

All are invited to view the progress of the state finals by visiting BirdieFire.com. The IHSAA will post the hole-by-hole scores for every player throughout the two days.



State Finals

Prairie View Golf Club, 7000 Longest Drive, Carmel, IN 46033 | [Website](#)

Day 1: Friday, Oct. 3, 2014, 8:30 am ET / 7:30 am CT.

Day 2: Saturday, Oct. 4, 2014, 8:30 am ET / 7:30 am CT.

Admission: \$12 per person (ticket good for both days).

Advancement: All teams and individuals will play 36 holes.

Official Ball: The Wilson FG Tour golf ball, the official ball of the IHSAA state tournament, will be provided. [Wilson Ad](#)

Parking: Spectators will use the off-site parking lot southwest of the roundabout at the intersection of Main Street and River Road and be shuttled to and from the golf course.

Riding Carts: A limited number of riding carts will be available at cost on a "first-come, first-served" basis. Golf carts are limited to the cart path only. Please check the clubhouse counter for details. Courtesy carts also will be circling the course transporting spectators.

Live Scoring: Hosted at [BirdieFire.com](#)

Notables

Teams Qualified (15) **indicates regional champion.*

Carmel*, Center Grove, Columbus North, Crown Point, Evansville Memorial, Evansville North*, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Hamilton Southeastern*, Lake Central*, Leo*, Martinsville, New Palestine, Valparaiso, Wawasee, Westfield.

Teams Returning from 2013 State Finals (6 of 15)

Carmel, Evansville North, Hamilton Southeastern, Lake Central, Martinsville, Valparaiso.

Top 20 Coaches Poll (End of regular season) from *Indiana High School Golf Coaches Association*

1. Carmel
2. Evansville North
3. Hamilton Southeastern
4. Martinsville
5. Westfield
6. Yorktown
7. Lake Central
8. Vincennes Rivet
9. Evansville Memorial
10. Columbus North
11. Noblesville
12. Chesterton
13. Fishers
14. Lafayette Jefferson
15. Floyd Central
16. Center Grove
17. Valparaiso
18. Madison
19. Crown Point
20. Zionsville

Individuals Qualified without a Team (25) **indicates regional champion.*

Kayla Benge, Plainfield.

Morgan Brown, Lafayette Central Catholic.

Jaycee Bunner, Fort Wayne Blackhawk.*

Natalia Campbell, Lapel.

Alyn Clark, East Noble.

Hannah Cross, Greenwood.

Amanda Detmer, Madison.*

Emma Fisher, Bloomington South.

Minka Gill, Western.

Lindsey Hackleman, Connersville.

Samantha Hatter, Lafayette Jefferson.*

Kennedy Holtsclaw, Bedford North Lawrence.*
Brandi Jones, Maconaquah.
Cassidy Jurkaites, Penn.
Kinley Lingenfelter, Rochester.
Ashton Martin, Northwestern.
Peyton Meeks, Vincennes Rivet.
Cherise Otter, Bloomington South.
Megan Ramer, Terre Haute North.
Marissa Singer, Guerin Catholic.
Morgan Stanley, Floyd Central.
Kiley Swisher, Seeger.
Lauren Tibbets, Oak Hill.
Emily Tilton, Pendleton Heights.
Betsy Werner, Indianapolis Cathedral.*

Individuals Returning from 2013 Top 20 (7)

T4. Maggie Rees, Carmel, 72-75-147.
7. Lauren Tibbets, Oak Hill, 76-72-148.
8. Amanda Detmer, Madison, 76-73-149.
T9. Cherise Otter, Bloomington South, 73-77-150.
T11. Claire Cameron, Martinsville, 75-76-151.
T15. Alyssa Cook, Carmel, 79-73-152.
T17. Sydney Anderson, Columbus North, 72-81-153.

Most Consecutive State Finals Appearances

12: Martinsville (1990-2001).

Active Streaks of Consecutive State Finals Team Appearances (3 or more years)

10: Hamilton Southeastern.
8: Carmel.
6: Valparaiso.
4: Evansville North.

First-Time Team State Finals Appearances

New Palestine, Westfield.

State Finals Appearance Droughts Broken (10 or more years)

28 years: Wawasee (1986).
23: Crown Point (1991).
10: Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger (2004).

Former State Champions in the Field

None.

Former State Runners-Up in the Field

None.

First-Time Regional Champions in the Field

Lake Central.

Regional Championship Droughts Broken

10 years: Leo (2004).

Best Scores in 2014 State Tournament (Among State Finalists)

294: Evansville North (sectional).
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308: Martinsville (regional).
309: Evansville Memorial (sectional).

- 310: Hamilton Southeastern (regional).
- 310: Martinsville (sectional).
- 312: Carmel (regional).
- 312: Westfield (sectional).
- 313: Columbus North (regional).
- 314: Hamilton Southeastern (sectional).
- 315: Carmel (sectional)
- 318: Columbus North (sectional).
- 318: Westfield (regional).
- 324: New Palestine (regional).
- 325: Lake Central (regional).

Best Scores in 2014 State Tournament (Among State Finalists)

- 68: Betsy Werner, Indianapolis Cathedral (regional).
- 69: Jaycee Bunner, Fort Wayne Blackhawk (regional).
- 69: Emma Fisher, Bloomington South (sectional).
- 69: Kennedy Holtsclaw, Bedford North Lawrence (regional).
- 70: Sydney Anderson, Columbus North (regional).
- 70: Amanda Detmer, Madison (regional).
- 70: Kelsie Droste, Evansville North (sectional).
- 70: Cherise Otter, Bloomington South (sectional).
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- 71: Morgan Brown, Lafayette Central Catholic (sectional).
- 71: Claire Cameron, Martinsville (sectional).
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- 71: Lindsey Hackleman, Connersville (regional).
- 71: Samantha Hatter, Lafayette Jefferson (regional).
- 72: Amanda Detmer, Madison (sectional).
- 72: Lauren Tibbets, Oak Hill (sectional).
- 72: Hadley Walts, Evansville North (sectional).

Media Information

Tournament Administrator: Assistant Commissioner Chris Kaufman.

Media Hosts: Sports Information Director Jason Wille and staff assistant Mike Wilson will be on hand to assist in your coverage.

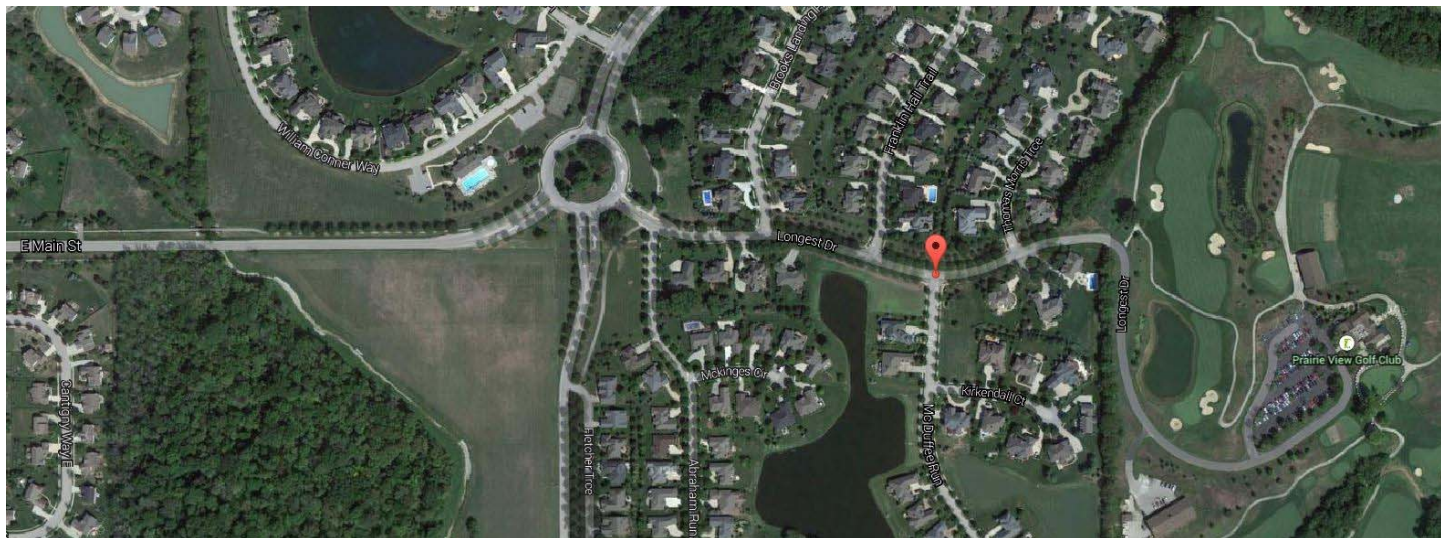
Media Credentials: The 2014-15 IHSAA State Finals Media Credential will allow for admission. To apply, please e-mail your request (with name of individual) as soon as possible to IHSAA Sports Information Director Jason Wille at jwille@ihsaa.org. E-mail requests MUST originate from a recognized business account; e-mails from personal accounts (ie: yahoo.com, aol.com, etc.) will not be accepted. Deadline is Wednesday, October 1, at 4 pm ET / 3 pm CT. Approved requests will be left for pickup at the front entrance to Prairie View Golf Club.

Parking: Players, coaches, tournament workers and news media will be able to utilize the main parking lot next to the clubhouse. Spectators will use the off-site parking lot southwest of the roundabout at the intersection of Main Street and River Road and shuttled to and from the golf course.

Riding Carts: A limited number of riding carts will be available at cost on a “first-come, first-served” basis. Golf carts are limited to the cart path only. Please check the clubhouse counter for details. Courtesy carts also will be circling the course transporting spectators.

Services: Working space with electrical power and wireless access will be available in The Ackerman Academy, the building directly north of the main clubhouse. Copies of the official program including scorecards also will be available along with results from both

days of the event. Tee-times and pairings for Saturday's second round will be posted to the IHSAA website as soon as possible on Friday following completion of the first round.



About the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. (IHSAA)

Founded in 1903, the purpose of the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. (IHSAA) is to encourage, regulate and give direction to wholesome amateur interschool athletic competition between its 412 member schools. The Association provides state championship tournament series in 20 sports, 10 for girls and 10 for boys. Approximately 160,000 student athletes participate in IHSAA sports on an annual basis.

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