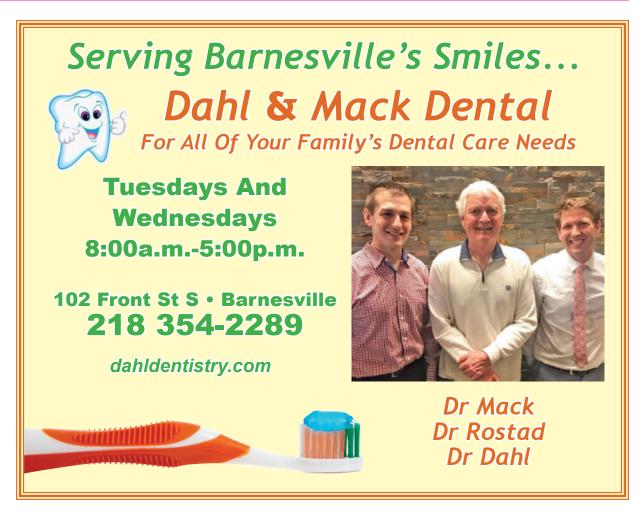




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Trojan Golfers Back To Defend HOL Championship



The Barnesville Trojan Boys Golf team has returned to action, vying for a third consecutive Heart O' Lakes Conference title in 2021.

The Trojans won the titles in 2018 and 2019 with last season cancelled due to the pandemic. Head Coach Matt Askegaard returns four of his six top golfers from two years ago and has high expectations for

Askegaard is entering his 10th season as leader of the Trojans and will be assisted by Jed Johnson this

One golfer to watch is Adam Tonsfeldt, who returns for his senior season as a member of the Trojans golf team. Tonsfeldt placed second at the HOL tourney two years ago to teammate Grant Inniger. He is looking to take home the top prize this season after not having a chance last year with the cancelation of the the rotation.

2021 team include senior Mason Moen, junior Ryan Rustad and junior Logan Ernst. Senior Marcus Paul, sophomore Tate Inniger and freshman Ayden Hauck are looking to fill the last two spots to solidify their six man rotation.

Other golfers out for the 2021 team include seniors Cole Swenson, Aaron Schiefert, Nolan Rick, Connor Erickson and Eric Ackerson; juniors Jack Nielsen, Ryan Martinson, Ashton Hoeft, Cam Heng and Brady Dollison; sophomores Aaron Pearson and Isaac Maneval; freshmen Evan Packer, Keaton Markert, Zach Hough, Ethan Hoppe, Jameson Haycraft, Lucas Fuller and Levi Eickenbrock; eighth graders Isaac Rietz, Jack Maesse and Riley Christiansen; and seventh graders Bryce Stokka and Jack Axness rounding out the squad.

Tonsfeldt, Moen, Rustad and Ernst were named to the Heart O' Lakes All-Conference team in 2019 and will be looked upon to bolster the first four spots at the top end of

"We are looking for our third Other golfers returning to the consecutive HOL title and are excited to get the season going," said Askegaard. "We will have some tough competition as Perham and Hawley return some very good golfers as well. We will need to be solid in each meet in order to accomplish this feat."

The team would like to advance as a squad from the sub-section to sections.

"Advancing to state would be the ultimate team goal, Askegaard said. "But Detroit Lakes and Fergus Falls will make that a difficult prospect out of the section.'

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"We will need to find two golfers to fill those last spots and solidify our team," Askegaard said.

"The boys and I are excited to get things started and have a season after not getting a chance to play last year," Askegaard said.



Members of the Trojan Boys Golf Team are, left to right, front row - Levi Eickenbrock, Keaton Markert, Evan Thune, Logan Ernst, Adam Tonsfeldt, Mason Moen, Jack Axness; middle row - Jameson Haycraft, Marcus Paul, Ryan Rustad, Lucas Fuller, Ayden Hauck, Ethan Hoppe, Evan Packer, Riley Christiansen; back row - Aaron Pearson, Jack Maesse, Brady Dollison, Isaac Maneval, Tate Inniger, Ashton Hoeft, Isaac Rietz and Nolan Rick.

Lady Trojan Golfers Eager For 2021 Season



A year of waiting is finally over as the Barnesville Lady Trojans have opened up the 2021 golf season with an eager group of golfers ready to get back on the links.

Head Coach George Haj returns for his eighth season as leader of the Lady Trojans, who have high expectations, as many golfers return for another go around.

Returning this season are Allie Aadland, Alex Hamman, Kailev Boman, Liv Brasel, Claire Rehder and Maddie Stuvland, with Alexis Zander looking to get her

opportunity to participate in varsity competition.

"We have a fantastic group of golfers coming back to compete this season," said Coach Haj. "We lost one senior from last year in Grace Halverson. She was a positive influence and role model that all the girls looked up to. She lost her senior season due to Covid-19 and all the girls really want to play for her and play well. With the loss of competition from last year, the girls are really eager to get out on the course and play some golf."

Assisting Coach Haj this season will be Jed Johnson, with Jerry Loegering volunteering again for the 2021 season.

"The girls have really put in the time this summer," said Haj. "The new golf simulator we got for the team has really helped the girls

dial in their yardage and get some confidence hitting the ball precise distances."

The team has a strong group of junior and senior golfers "who are eager to get on the course and prove what they can do," Haj said. 'With our first meet coming up on Thursday in Pelican Rapids, the girls have taken the time to go and play the course on their own.'

Hai said the team has really tried to make practices competitive as this may be the first time some of the girls have actually played in competition.

"We have been focusing on each individual's thought process, both leading into and after a shot, as this is the most important area in golf," Haj said. "The way we communicate with ourselves dictates how we feel emotionally and it impacts our movements on subsequent shots. If we can stay composed and follow our routines, we should have a competitive team this season."



Members of the Lady Trojans Golf Team are, left to right - Team Managers Libby Haj and Kyla Haj; middle row - Kennedy Peterson, Tessa Aberle, Sierra Seefeldt, Alexis Zander, Isabella Snobl, Ella Brasel, Claire Olson; back row - Maddie Stuvland, Claire Rehder, Kailey Boman, Liv Brasel; Allie Aadland, Alex Hamman and Lexi Hoeft.



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