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Rothsay Resets Team Approach, Readies For Season

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Every team needs to make adjustments from one year to the next; even if all starters return, other teammates change out, people improve in the off-season, goals are re-evaluated, and coaches set new, higher expectations. The Rothsay Boys golf team is embracing change and will look different from when they last stepped on to the course, taking the opportunity to press the reset button.

However, consistency comes in coaching with Aaron Sletten, who returns to the Tiger golf program for his fourth season, and Tom Jensen, four year assistant. But that is about where the consistency ends, as Rothsay lost key contributors from their 2019 season to graduation: Braden Moen (2019 graduate) and Ethan Curtis (2020 graduate). Nevertheless, 2019 did provide opportunities for multiple novice golfers to find their swing and take a shot at a few competitive varsity meets.

In 2019, the last time Rothsay was able to take the course competitively, they had a dozen golfers freshman aged or younger – many of whom were seventh or eighth graders. Now those athletes have been able to take some swings in the off-season, and fill out the Tigers' roster with junior, sophomore, and freshman talent.

Coach Sletten acknowledges, "We are a young team." But he continues, "We are very motivated."

The off-season work was friendlier to golfers than it was to other sports, as golf is a game that can be played with others or individually. It is also easy to socially distance oneself on a course, which has been a necessity over the past year. This allowed golfers to work on their game a little bit more than other athletes from sports such as volleyball or basketball, which require others for complete game feel.

However, that didn't mean that there won't be any issues. Coach Sletten explained, "It's tough to have a program go two years without the day-to-day coaching."

Nevertheless he has found the silver lining in this pandemic scenario as well, saying, "It has given me the opportunity to set new expectations from how we practice, to how we talk about golf."

Giving himself, the golfers, and the program an opportunity to reset.

The one thing those individual practices, whether with your coach or at the course on your own, can't simulate are the nerves and self-placed pressure that sometimes accompany the competition within the meets.

And competition will be tough, not only within the program, but against other schools as well. Ottertail and West Central Area continually bring smart, strong golfers to meets through the combination of experience, confidence, and smart hole-to-hole adjustments.

However Rothsay knows that their tough conference provides opportunity to develop their own skills.

"Our goal is to be competitive," said Sletten. "And we'll learn what



Members of the Rothsay Tigers Boys Golf Team are, left to right, front row - Craig Henning, Travis Shirley, Karter Jensen, Benny Dupree; back row - Conrad Stockinger, Carson Weiers, Mark Carrillo and Mason Kadel.

it takes to win from a couple of other schools in the conference. This is a building year for the future."

However, Sletten isn't writing off the team this year as there is good young talent rounding out the squad.

Craig Henning is the lone senior out this season. Junior Samuel Danielson joins Henning as the most experienced golfers. Also coming back to the Tiger golf team this year are sophomores Karter Jensen and Mason Kadel; and freshmen Carson Wiers, Conrad Stockinger, Mark Carrillo, and Travis Shirley.

But that isn't all. There was a surge from the junior high program: nine kids out for golf from the sixth- and seventh-grade classes, including two girls.

"I'm extremely excited about the potential of these younger athletes," said Sletten.

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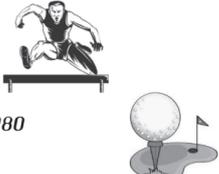
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