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BCIAA 2017 Boys Golf Championship

*Blackwood Golf Club
par 35-35—70, 6,355 yards
The event was played over 27 holes; those making the 18-hole cut then played the back 9*

Medalists

Alex Seelig, Exeter 69-36—105

Chase Miller, Tulpehocken 70-37—107

Nick Fiorvante, Berks Catholic 75-37—112

Connor Gollwitzer, Oley Valley 79-36—115

Tyler Kipp, Muhlenberg 80-37—115

Dylan Audi, Wilson 79-40—119

Alex Seelig Wins BCIAA Boys High School Golf Title

September 27, 2017...**Alex Seelig**, an Exeter High School junior who works the RCC bag room, won the Berks County high school boys golf championship at Blackwood Golf Club. Alex became the first Exeter player to win the title since **Chip Lutz** won for the second time in 1972.

The win was touching for Alex, who lost a good friend the previous week. **Ron Woodring**, an RCC member, lost his life in an accident on the Pennsylvania Turnpike. Alex and Woody played and practiced frequently at RCC.

"I felt like he was with me today and I wanted to do this for him," said Alex. "It makes it a little sweeter." Alex carried the commemorative card from the funeral in his yardage book.

Alex shot 69, one under par, for the first 18 holes to lead **Chase Miller**, Tulpehocken. Alex gained two strokes on Chase with a birdie to Chase's bogey on the 15th hole. But Chase turned the tables with birdies on 16 and 17 to Alex's bogies to pull even. Alex regained the lead with a par on 18 while Chase suffered a three-putt bogey.

They teed off on the 10th hole for the final nine holes with **Nick Fiorivante**, Berks Catholic, at 75.

Alex led by one with three to play. He gained two strokes with a birdie on 16 to Chase's bogey. But Chase returned the favor with an up-and-down from the sand for a birdie 4 on the 17th hole. Alex led by one after a three-putt bogey.

Alex found the fairway with his drive on 18 while Chase pulled his drive into the trees. He had no choice but to punch out. Alex hit his second to 15 feet.

He two-putted for par and a two-stroke margin over Chase. Nick placed third at 112.

The medalists advance to the 36-hole District 3 tournament, October 6 and 7 at Briarwood East Golf Club, York. The qualifiers advance to the Eastern Regional tournament at Golden Oaks Golf Club, October 16. The state tournament is October 23 and 24 at Heritage Hills, York.



Alex Seelig narrowly misses a birdie 3 on the 18th green in the first round.



Alex Seelig tees off on the 15th hole in the first round. His playing partners are, from the left, **Connor Gollwitzer**, Oley Valley, **Chase Miller**, Tulpehocken, and **Dylan Audi**, Wilson.