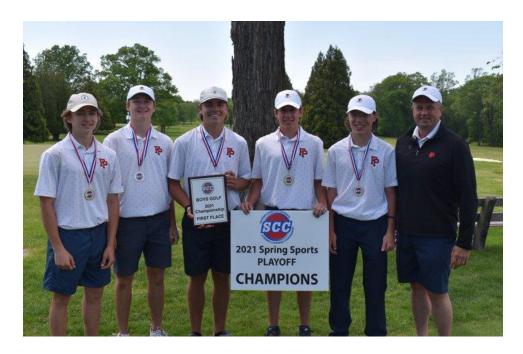
Fairfield Prep Edges Hand for SCC Golf Crown

Orange, CT - Daniel Hand was the favorite heading into the 2021 SCC Golf Championship at Race Brook CC on Tuesday, May 25!

The Tigers featured one of the best, if not the best, golfer in the league in Matt Doyle along with a cast of talented teammates. The Tigers had also defeated contenders Fairfield Prep twice and Notre Dame once in close and competitive regular-season matches.

However, on a cool and windy day with slick greens at Race Brook CC, the Jesuits laid claim to the title, beating Hand and Notre Dame by the scantest of margins. Fairfield Prep shot a team total of 323 to edge out Hand by one stroke. Notre Dame was third, three shots behind with a team total of 326.



Mike Rothberg led the way for Fairfield Prep with a seven-over par 78. The Jesuits also counted Charlie Duffy (80), Will Huntington (81), and Jack Gifford (84).

Hand's Matt Doyle was medalist with a 1-under 70, which was more impressive considering he started his round with a bogey and double-bogey. He then shot 4-under over his final 16 holes.

Notre Dame's Jake Ivan-Pal was runner-up with a 3-over par round of 74.

Only four players broke 80 on the par-71 course. In addition to Doyle, Ivan-Pal, and Rothberg, Amity's Brett Chodos shot a 79.

COACH's QUOTE

Fairfield Prep coach Bob Bernier told GameTimeCT.com, "I told somebody last week that we needed to play well and need (Hand) to not have their best day, because they are better than we are on most days."

SCC GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

Team results: 1. Fairfield Prep 323; 2. Hand 324; 3. Notre Dame-West Haven 326; 4. Cheshire 345; 5. Xavier 346; 6. Amity 361; 7. Guilford 364; 8. Shelton 372; 9. Branford 377.

Individual results: Matt Doyle (Hand), 70; Jake Ivan-Pal (Notre Dame-West Haven), 74; Mike Rothberg (Fairfield Prep), 78; Brett Chodos (Amity), 79; Charlie Duffy (Fairfield Prep), 80; Will Huntington (Fairfield Prep), 81; Jon Bushka (Notre Dame), 82; Nick Fortunato (Cheshire), 82; Reece Scott (Hand), 82; John Carrozzella (Xavier), 83; A.J. DePaolo (Cheshire), 83; Pete Alfano (Notre Dame), 84; Jack Gifford (Fairfield Prep), 84; Tyler Pearson (Shelton), 86; Finn Russell (Xavier), 86; Conner Quinn (Hand), 86; Matt Gagliardi (Hand), 86; Nick Richetelli (Notre Dame), 86; Cam St. Pierre (Shelton), 87; Billy Linder (Branford), 87; Peter Keanna (Guilford), 87; Miguel Pearce (Guilford), 87; Gavin Coletti (Xavier), 88; Chris Drisdelle (Xavier), 89; Riley Brabant (Cheshire), 89.