

Dear Augustine Members and Staff,

The North Stafford Golf team would like to extend their sincere gratitude and appreciation for the support of the Augustine golf club staff and membership this past fall during the golf season. We would like to thank Eric Smith and Dave Weider especially for their help with scheduling practices and matches and for helping our golfers feel welcome and comfortable. This season Augustine was an advantage for us because it truly was our "home course."

The team would also like to thank the membership for their generous donations that will help allow the golf program to provide the necessary tools and equipment to continue improving and back up this season's Conference 15 Championship with a competitive season next year. Please keep an eye out for the upcoming North Stafford Golf and Lacrosse Fund raiser captain's choice tournament the week of March 28th specific date and time TBD.

The team was in 2nd place in the conference standings at the end of the regular season, and came from behind to beat Massaponax by 7 total strokes to win the 18 hole Conference 15 championship held at the Gauntlet. This gave us an automatic bid to the regional tournament at Brambleton GC in Ashburn where we were the surprise team of the tournament, tying for 1st place before being outscored in a 1 hole playoff by the tourney favorites, Thomas Jefferson HS. However the 2nd place finish gave us an automatic team bid to the state tournament at Magonolia Greens in Richmond where our #1 golfer, Emily Nowak, shot 76-74 on a tough course to come in 4th in the state. She was the only female out of the top 5 individual scorers on the podium. Will Dugan, also a member of Augustine GC (and student of Eric Smith) had a strong showing at state as well shooting 83-78 to post the second best score for our team at the state tournament. The team came in 4th in the state, but the experience was very valuable and showed our younger golfers where we need to be to compete for a state title.

Thanks again to all for your support and encouragement this past season. The coaching staff and team looks forward to working with and representing Augustine GC well in the future.

Respectfully,

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Head Golf Coach

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