

## ***Intelligencer Journal/Lancaster New Era***

### **York topples Lancaster in War of Roses tourney**

Lancaster's bid for a third straight Lancaster Pre-Owned War of the Roses golf title unraveled Sunday at Bent Creek Country Club, where York won nine of the day's 12 singles matches to secure a 15-9 victory.

It was the first time since 2006 that York won the event -- which pits 12 of Lancaster's highest-ranking local amateur golfers against their counterparts from York in a Ryder Cup-style competition.

Since its inception in 1995, the Lancaster team has won the event 11 of the 15 times it's been played.

Locked in a 6-6 tie with York after Saturday's foursomes and four ball matches, Lancaster kept the score even (8-8) Sunday thanks to early singles victories from Ken Phillips, who downed John Lowder 7 and 6, and Dave Richards, who outlasted Jay Kostenbauder, 2-up.

But in the eight matches that followed, Lancaster's only victory came compliments of Ron Weaver, who held off York's Gary Stewart, 1-up.

Phillips, who teamed with John Sweeney for a pair of victories Saturday, was the only player on the Lancaster side to go undefeated in the event.

This year's Lancaster squad was comprised of Phillips, Richards, Weaver, Sweeney, Ben Smith, Brian Groff, Matt Burkhardt, Corey Wenger, Rick Wise, Greg Osborne, Jud Gemmill and Chris Esbenshade and was captained by Dan Burton.