Jones Outpressures Kahl to Don State Amateur Crown

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STEAMBOAT SPRINGS — You don't see course records playing in a match tournament, but Steve Jones of Vail and Terry Kahl of Lakewood did just that Sunday to win the state amateur title by defeating University of Colorado teammates Jim Hebert and Terry Kahl of Aurora. They picked up on four holes on the 16th and 17th, and then won 18-16 on the 18th.

"I WAS AWAKE all night, so I had to talk to myself," Jones said of his preparation going into the championship round against the strong Kahl. "I thought about the positive things and I knew he had a lot of confidence. I knew he could play well against me."

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