

# Women's Metropolitan Golf Association



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### Oswald Tops Timpson to Win First Match Play Title

The beautiful Quaker Ridge Golf Club was the host of our 110th Match Play Championship on June 25-28. The week provided a number of entertaining moments, fun memories and great competition. Fifty-five of the top Women's Met players came out on Tuesday, June 25th to try and qualify for the Championship or Sanford flight. The course did its best to challenge the players, and succeeded, with only six shooting in the 70's. The cut-off for the Championship flight was set at 85, but with only two spots available and five players tied at 85, there was a necessary playoff. As the day was cooling down and the sun was setting, Laura Algiero, Jill Boughrum, Barbara Jones, Alicia Kapheim and Michelle Stelben went back out to the first tee. Two pars later, Algiero and Stelben found themselves in the Championship flight, while Boughrum, Jones and Kapheim bogeyed the playoff hole and were placed in the Sanford flight.

Throughout the week, there were many upsets and surprises in both flights, and come Friday, it was down to Alicia Kapheim vs. Barbara Jones in the Sanford final and Phoebe Timpson vs. Ellen Oswald in the Championship flight. Kapheim and Jones were ranked #1 and #2, respectively, in the Sanford flight, so the match was a memorable one, with Jones making an eight-footer for par on the 18th hole of the match to win 1 up. In the Championship flight, we had a strong match-up between Timpson, last year's Match Play runner-up, 2011 Match Play Champion, and 2012 Stroke Play Champion and Oswald, the 2012 Stroke Play runner-up and New York State Women's Amateur Champion. Oswald started the 36-hole match strong and continued to play well, finishing the first 18 holes, 3-up. The second half of the match had a similar theme, and Oswald closed out the match with a par on the 14th hole to win 6&5 over Timpson.

Oswald noted that her preparation leading up to the Championship, especially with her short game, helped her confidence throughout the week. She faced many tough competitors in her matches, including Cheryl Brayman and Jennifer Lee, but Oswald considered her final match with



Championship Flight Runner-Up, Phoebe Timpson & Champion, Ellen Oswald



Sanford Flight Champion, Barbara Jones & Runner-Up, Alicia Kapheim

Timpson to be her favorite. "She (Timpson) is a great competitor and I knew that was going to be an especially tough match," says Oswald, "she is a great player, and awesome at match play." Oswald and Timpson are used to playing with each other, as they were paired together in the final group for the 2012 Stroke Play Championship and have been on both the Griscom Cup Team and French-American Team together. Going into her championship match with Timpson, Oswald knew she would have to be consistent, hitting as many greens in regulation as possible and putting as well as she could. Even though she was 3-up after 18 holes, Oswald said she "tried to pretend like we were starting back at even for the second match and play as hard as I could." This mentality paid off for Oswald, who was overjoyed with her first Match Play win, "I worked hard and it paid off... it was great to go all the way."

The WMGA would like to give a special thank you to Quaker Ridge for its wonderful hospitality and assistance in making the event such a success. Congratulations to all the participants for a great week, and we look forward to next year at North Shore Country Club in Glen Head, New York!

# WMGA Junior Inter-City Team Wins Third Straight Enos Cup



Left to Right: Anina Ku, Samantha Sessa, Hana Ku, Faith Garcia, Alessandra Ricigliano & Catherine McEvoy

## Anina Ku

1. Lowest Round?  
*A 63 (-9) at Longleaf Golf Club, in Pinehurst, North Carolina*
2. Favorite Golf Course?  
*Stone Harbor Golf Club in New Jersey*
3. Favorite memory of 2013 Inter-City?  
*Taking victory pictures!*
4. Age you started playing golf?  
*Three years old*
5. Who would be in your dream golf foursome?  
*Lydia Ko, Bubba Watson & Rickie Fowler*
6. Favorite TV show?  
*America's Got Talent*

## Samantha Sessa (Co-Captain)

1. Lowest Round?  
*69*
2. Favorite Golf Course?  
*Querencia in Pablo San Lucas, Mexico*
3. Favorite memory of 2013 Inter-City?  
*The match play, last day, because that was the most competitive part of the week and the girls from Massachusetts and Philadelphia were a pleasure to play with.*
4. Age you started playing golf?  
*Ever since I could walk I had a golf club in my hand*
5. Who would be in your dream golf foursome?  
*Paula Creamer, Jack Nicklaus & Tiger Woods*
6. Favorite TV show?  
*Pretty Little Liars*

## Faith Garcia

1. Lowest Round?  
*70 at Glen Oaks Club in New York*

2. Favorite Golf Course?  
*Trump National Bedminster in New Jersey*
3. Favorite memory of 2013 Inter-City?  
*Bonding with the girls and going shopping with them.*
4. Age you started playing golf?  
*10 years old*
5. Who would be in your dream golf foursome?  
*Jordan Spieth, Lydia Ko & Adam Scott*
6. Favorite TV show?  
*Castle*

## Alessandra Ricigliano

1. Lowest Round?  
*73*
2. Favorite Golf Course?  
*Wykagyl Country Club in New York*
3. Favorite memory of 2013 InterCity?  
*Playing the golf course*
4. Age you started playing golf?  
*11*
5. Who would be in your dream golf foursome?  
*Phil Mickelson, Rory McIlroy & Annika Sorenstam*
6. Favorite TV show?  
*Spongebob Squarepants*

## Catherine McEvoy

1. Lowest Round?  
*74*
2. Favorite Golf Course?  
*Canoe Brook Country Club in New Jersey*
3. Favorite memory of 2013 InterCity?  
*Hearing Hana Ku's hole in one and seeing everyone so happy at the end when we won.*
4. Age you started playing golf?  
*First time with a club when I was four, started playing in tournaments when I was seven*

5. Who would be in your dream golf foursome?  
*Paula Creamer, Rickie Fowler & Tiger Woods*
6. Favorite TV show?  
*Keeping Up with the Kardashians*

## Hana Ku (Co-Captain)

1. Lowest Round?  
*68 on the 2nd day at the Inter-City*
2. Favorite Golf Course?  
*Meadow & Lake Courses at Neshanic Valley Golf Course in New Jersey*
3. Favorite memory of 2013 Inter-City?  
*Dinner the night before the matches, everyone bonded really well and we shared some great laughs*
4. Age you started playing golf?  
*Seven*
5. Who would be in your dream golf foursome?  
*Anina, Phil Mickelson & Bubba Watson*
6. Favorite TV show?  
*None at the moment*



Congratulations to Hana Ku on her hole-in-one at the Junior Inter-City!

# The Tradition of the Griscom Cup

## Interview with Griscom Cup First-Timer Tara Fleming

### What were your thoughts on the Griscom Cup before playing in it?

Well to be completely honest, I have been out of competitive golf for a while so I didn't even know the event existed, but once I did some reading, I was really excited to be asked to play. Great players play in this event each year and I was looking forward to playing with the best from Massachusetts and Philadelphia.

### How did you prepare for the Griscom Cup?

I work a crazy amount of hours and played professionally a few years ago, so now I just want to have fun playing. I am fortunate to be able to maintain a certain level of play, and I didn't want to do anything outside what I normally do. I used the same game plan as everything else I play in.

### Which match was the toughest for you?

I think the individual matches were harder. A match play format with two different competitions going on is very different. You have to change your strategy immensely and have a different perception based on what match you are looking at. It is hard to determine how to play putts, because you'd have a 5 footer to tie one opponent while the same putt could be to beat someone else.

### What was your favorite memory of the Griscom Cup?

Being four down to both the ladies I was playing against and making a decision at the turn to do something different. I turned things around and came back to beat both of my opponents and get two points for our team.

I really appreciated the opportunity to meet and play with the different women from Met section, both young and old. It was a nice opportunity to meet people who still love to golf and compete, but who have done other things with their lives besides golf, which is what I am trying to do now.



2013 Griscom Cup Team, Left to Right: Scotland Preston, Sue DeKalb, Kuriko Tsukiyama, Denise Martorana, Laura Algiero (Captain), Phoebe Timpson, Frances Gacos, Ellen Oswald & Tara Fleming

In 1898 and 1899, a group of women from the Morris County Golf Club received an invitation from the Women's Golf Association of Philadelphia to play for the Challenge Cup. This cup is more commonly referred to as the Griscom Cup because of its donor, Clement A. Griscom. Originally, there were eighteen players per team, but throughout the years, that number has decreased to eleven and then to seven and one alternate, as it is today. The tournament has also been scored many different ways in the past and is now scored using the three point Nassau scoring system. The tournament takes place in one of three different regions and each year the place of the competition is rotated between them. The Cup's centennial was played at Merion Golf Club in Pennsylvania.

The 110th Griscom Cup matches between the Women's Met, Women's Golf Association of Philadelphia and Women's Golf Association of Massachusetts were played May 29 and 30, 2013 at the prestigious Essex County Club in Manchester, Massachusetts. Essex County Club was home to the Curtis sisters, pioneers in women's golf in the early 1900s and donators of the Curtis Cup. The Curtis Cup matches are played every other year between women amateurs from the United States vs. Europe. Essex County Club is steeped in tradition, they have been extremely generous to women's golf, and were very proud to be hosting the 2013 Griscom Cup matches.

The 2013 Griscom Cup team members were Laura Algiero (captain), Sue DeKalb, Tara Fleming, Fran Gacos, Denise Martorana, Ellen Oswald, Scotland Preston, Phoebe Timpson and Kuriko Tsukiyama.

The night before the matches and the morning of the practice round saw heavy rain and, unfortunately, the practice round was rained out, although some of the team members were able to get out and play 9 holes before the afternoon alternate shot matches commenced. The Women's Met team found themselves with a total of 12 points after the alternate shot matches, 6 points behind the Women's Golf Association of Philadelphia. The next day brought sunshine along with very windy conditions for the singles matches. The Women's Met posted an additional 20 points, but the Philly women proved to be too tough, and they ultimately won the Griscom Cup. The Women's Met finished second and the Women's Golf Association of Massachusetts finished third.

Next year's matches will be played in the Met area, we'll get 'em next year on our home turf!!

Congratulations to the team on a job well done!

**Laura Algiero**  
Team Competitions Chair

# A Memorable Week for Cuty

On June 6th, Mill River Club in Oyster Bay, New York, hosted both the "B" Stroke Play Championship as well as the first of three One Day Stroke Play Championships. All 71 players were able to enjoy a beautiful Long Island day despite the course playing tougher than expected. In the One Day Stroke Play "A" contest, Phoebe Timpson and LeeAnn Lewis both shot a 79 to share the Low Gross honors, while Kee Baek won Low Net with a 73. For the One Day Stroke Play "B" contest, Bonnie Trexler took home the Low Gross honors with a 93 and Jeanne Agoglia won Low Net with a 79. In the "B" Stroke Play, Ellen Cuty shot a 90 to win by three strokes over Randi Nielsen and JoAnn Bouza won the Low Net prize with a 74.

For Cuty, the Championship came just one day after participating in the Myra D. Patterson Trophy Tournament as a member of the Long Island team. She took all three points in her matches, helping Long Island



## Scotland Preston wins WMGA/MGA Women's Met Am at The Creek

By: Helen Stock, MGA

Locust Valley, N.Y. (June 4, 2013) – Scotland Preston, 19, of Echo Lake Country Club captured the 12th WMGA/MGA Women's Met Amateur Championship today at The Creek in Locust Valley, N.Y. Preston claimed she played consistently and tried to be smart around the greens to get through the challenging setup and to card a score of 2-over par 74 and claim her first Women's Met Am title. Preston is the daughter of long-time Echo Lake Head Professional Mike Preston and this was the first time she played in the event. The Kansas State golfer is now preparing for the Eastern Amateur in Virginia beginning next week.

Coming in one stroke behind Preston with a 3-over 75 was Ellen Oswald of Westchester, who finished as runner-up for the second consecutive year in this event. Oswald, 23, played The Creek for the first time today and will be competing against Preston once again in the Eastern Am. Both girls will also be participating in upcoming WMGA match play events.

Preston and Oswald were the only players in the field of 84 that shot in the 70s. Jennifer Lee of Scarsdale finished in third with a score of 8-over 80.

Beginning in 2012, the WMGA partnered with the MGA to co-host the Women's Met Am, which is one of the premier amateur women's events in the Met Area. The Creek, which played to 5,807 yard and par 72 for the women today, was a stunning yet challenging backdrop to the championship.



"B" Stroke Play, Low Net – JoAnn Bouza

**"B" Stroke Play Champion, Ellen Cuty**  
top New Jersey and Westchester to win the trophy. In all the excitement of the win, Cuty misplaced her sand wedge and returned home with one less club in her bag. The next day at Mill River, with her husband's sand wedge in tow, Cuty knew in the back of her mind to avoid as many bunkers as possible. While avoiding bunkers, Cuty had the opportunity to use other aspects of her short game. She was able to perform well around the greens and credited that as the biggest factor contributing to her win. "I play my own game," said Cuty, "course management is important to me. I try to play smart and if I have to lay up, then I lay up." This is Cuty's second individual win with the WMGA, she won the Seniors' "B" two years ago in West Hampton.

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# Women's Met at the U.S. Girls' Junior



Women's Met Juniors at the U.S. Girls' Junior Championship. Left to Right: Anina Ku, Kuriko Tsukiyama, Hana Ku, Nicole Morales & Alexis Hios (Cindy Ha, not pictured)

The Women's Met is very proud of its six junior members who qualified for the U.S. Girls' Junior Amateur Championship on July 22-27 at Sycamore Hills Golf Club in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The Girls' Junior Championship is one of ten amateur events run by the USGA each year and brings together 156 of the top junior girl golfers in the world. Cindy Ha from Demarest, NJ; Alexis Hios from Rye, NY; Anina Ku from Basking Ridge, NJ; Hana Ku from Basking Ridge, NJ; Nicole Morales from South Salem, NY; and

Kuriko Tsukiyama from West New York, NJ, represented the Women's Met at this prestigious event. Anina Ku, Hana Ku and Nicole Morales advanced to match play by finishing in the top 64 after two rounds of stroke play and both Hana Ku and Morales made it to the round of 32 before barely losing to their opponents. The WMGA Foundation sent stipends to each of the girls to assist with travel expenses to and from the Championship. Congratulations to all the girls for participating in this wonderful event!

## Meet the WMGA Foundation Board

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## One Day (A&B) Tournament Results

### One Day (A&B) – Long Island

*Mill River Club, Oyster Bay, NY*

Low Gross – Class A	
Phoebe Timpson .....	79 (+6)
LeeAnn Lewis.....	79 (+6)
Low Net – Class A	
Kee Baek .....	73 (E)
Low Gross – Class B	
Bonnie Trexler .....	93 (+20)
Low Net – Class B	
Jeanne Agoglia .....	79 (+6)

### One Day (A&B) – Westchester

*Westchester Hills Golf Club,  
White Plains, NY*

Low Gross – Class A	
Alicia Kapheim.....	76 (+2)
Low Net – Class A	
Christine Silen .....	76 (+2)
Low Gross – Class B	
Phillis MacDonald .....	91 (+17)
Low Net – Class B	
Judy DeVoe.....	74 (E)

### WMGA/Met PGA Open Championship

*Scarsdale Golf Club, Scarsdale, NY  
July 8-9, 2013*

Champion:	Nanette Hill .....	69 + 72 – 141 (-3)
Amateur Champion:	Kelly Shon .....	74 + 69 (-1)

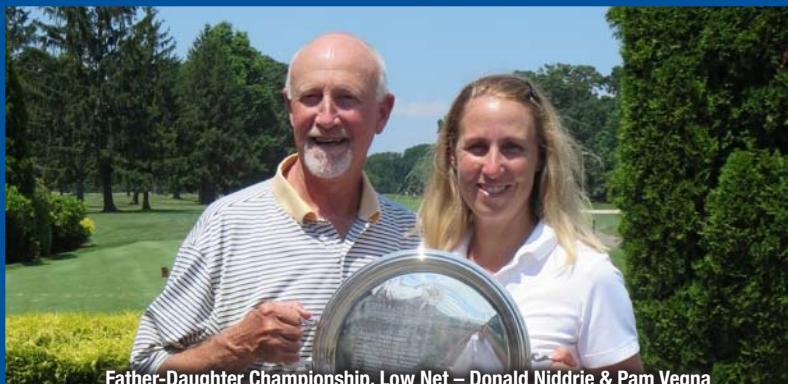
### WMGA/MGA Women's Public Links Championship

*Hudson Hills Golf Course, Ossining, NY  
July 11, 2013*

Champion:	Alexandra Hershberger.....	73 (+2)
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Father-Daughter Championship, Low Gross – David & Isabel Lee



Father-Daughter Championship, Low Net – Donald Niddrie & Pam Verna



Mother-Daughter Championship, Low Gross – Helen Stovell & Mimi McAndrew



Mother-Daughter Championship, Low Net – Riley & Gwen Smith



Mother-Son Championship, Low Gross – Marc & Lisa Delzio



Mother-Son Championship, Low Net – Pamela & Kevin Dolph



Maureen Orcutt Trophy Tournament, 2nd Low Gross & Low Gross –  
Rachel Oates & Caroline Araskog



Maureen Orcutt Trophy Tournament, Low Net – Jennifer Rosenberg



Maureen Orcutt Trophy Tournament, 2nd Low Net – Yunhee Kang



Maureen Orcutt Trophy Tournament, Nine Hole Division, First and  
Second Low Gross – Malini Rudra & Alice Hodge