

Women in Sports

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During the next two weeks, the women golfers of the metropolitan district, particularly in Westchester and Long Island, will have four tournaments in which to compete.

Starting tomorrow and continuing through Friday, the Tri-County women's golf championships and the Long Island title event will get under way over the Century Country Club course, White Plains, N. Y. and the Wheatley Hills Country Club, East Williston, L. I., respectively.

Mrs. Richard P. Limburg of Century, chairman of the Tri-County committee and donor of the trophy for this tournament, has announced that nearly seventy players will seek the thirty-two places in the championship flight. Miss Kay Byrne of Westchester Hills will be on hand to defend the cup she won in the last Tri-County, two years ago.

Among the contenders is Mrs. Donald O'Brien of Winged Foot. Mrs. O'Brien won the Elizabeth Wheeler championship last year with three fine rounds of golf over the Quaker Ridge Country Club. Not a long hitter off the tees, she makes up for this with a fine short game and will be a hard opponent to eliminate during this week of tournament match-play golf.

Mrs. Bartol in Field

Another strong contender will be Mrs. John H. Bartol of Greenwich who favors match play golf and is very strong in this type of competition.

Playing in her first tournament this season is 16-year-old Miss Barbara Bruning of the Westchester Hills, a long-hitting potential champion. Because of high school, Barbara did not play much golf until late in June, but with a few competitive rounds, Miss Bruning should be with the leaders next week.

Sometimes playing a home course has its disadvantages, but Mrs. Limburg and Mrs. David H. Sulzberger know Century very well and should be in there at the end of the week fighting for top honors.

The match most likely to develop in the ultimate round if the contenders are placed in opposite brackets would be between Miss Byrne and Mrs. Sophie Untermeyer of the home club. Mrs. Untermeyer is a former New Jersey State champion and the present holder of the Women's Metropolitan New

Jersey Shore 54-hole medal play title. She is difficult to defeat when she is hitting her tee shots down the middle.

The committee has decided that instead of extending the tournament until Saturday, they will still qualify thirty-two for the championship flight but will list two rounds of match play for Wednesday with a 36-hole final Friday.

Mrs. Kirkland to Defend

The eighteenth women's Long Island championship will get under way tomorrow with a qualifying round but only sixteen low scores will qualify for the championship flight.

Mrs. William R. Kirkland Jr. of Piping Rock will defend the title she won from Miss Evelyn Odom of Wheatley Hills over the Nassau Country Club course last year. With the championship being played over her home course, Miss Odom is expected to play some good golf and reach the final again.

This time, however, a strong field will be on hand. Among the contenders will be Mrs. Mortimer May of Willow Brook, newly crowned Metropolitan champion, who, if she continues to play her steady, competent game, may add the Long Island title to her list.

Many times a holder of this match play title, Mrs. Harry McNaughton of North Hempstead will try to win it again. The field includes Mrs. R. M. Torgerson of Cherry Valley, New York State titlist, Mrs. Charles Lechner of Willow Brook, Miss Peggy Mackie and Mrs. Bernard Freeman of Inwood; Mrs. F. K. Thayer Jr. of Piping Rock and Mrs. A. K. Atkinson Jr. of The Creek.

Next week, many of the players in both these tournaments will journey to Syracuse for the New York State event, which will take place over the Onadoga Country Club course. Onadoga is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary as a club, and the city of Syracuse is celebrating its 100th anniversary, so many interesting things are planned during the championship week.

For those who don't want to make the trip, the Elizabeth Wheeler Trophy 54-hole medal play championship will get under way over the Westchester Country Club next Monday and continue Tuesday and Wednesday. So there's plenty of golf coming up.