

# MRS. COCHRANE CHAMPION

## She Wins the Chief Golf Honor for Women on the Ardsley Club Links.

### PLAYED OVER WET GROUNDS

Rain Reduces the Number of Contestants, but the New Champion Makes a Good Score—Match for Women To-morrow.

Mrs. A. De Witt Cochrane showed yesterday that she is an able as well as a plucky golfer by going the rounds of the Ardsley Club links, saturated as they were by moisture, and with intermittent showers falling during the game. The contest was the semi-annual tournament for the women's championship of the club, and Mrs. Cochrane's efforts were rewarded with victory. She now holds the highest golfing honor for women in the Ardsley Club, and will hold the Championship Cup for the next six months. She also won a gold medal to keep as the trophy of her victory.

Although the day was one of the worst that could well be imagined for a golf contest, the match went on, but the number of competitors was materially decreased. Only four enthusiasts entered, Mrs. Cochrane, Miss Lillian Brooks, Miss Sarah Thompson, and Miss Eidlitz. With the exception of the winner, none of the others turned in scores. Miss Brooks won the championship last Spring, but of late she has not been playing her best game, and at no time yesterday was she a dangerous rival of Mrs. Cochrane. She improved very much in the second half, and her play at the last hole, 500 yards, which she got in seven strokes, showed that she has plenty of good golf in her, only it has a tendency to come by fits and starts.

Mrs. Cochrane played a steady game, carefully judging her distances and escaping all the bad bunkers. Her full score is:

Out .....5 5 6 3 8 7 4 6 8— 52

In .....7 8 8 3 6 5 4 9 9— 59

Total .....111

Her card shows two threes each time for the short fourth hole, which, however, requires careful play to make in that figure.

Among the good women golfers in the club who would have competed under more agreeable conditions are Miss Kittredge, Miss Archbold, Mrs. M. M. Van Buren, Mrs. John T. Terry, Jr., and Miss Fraser.

An interesting event which will be played on the Ardsley links to-morrow is a women's interclub team match, the teams to consist of five women each. This will be the first contest of this kind ever held, and most of our prominent local clubs will send teams of their ablest women golfers, among others being Ardsley, Shinnecock, Harbor Hill, Morris County, and Fairfield. A silver cup, given by A. De Witt Cochrane, will be awarded to the winning team, and the individual members of it will receive special prizes.

The five winners of the various handicap events for the Archbold Cup, played a match last Saturday to determine its ultimate ownership, and the prize went to F. F. Chrystie, whose score was 102 from scratch. The other four were F. C. McCormack, J. J. Vatable, C. C. Ketcham, and W. V. S. Thorne. The handicap contest for Class A players was won by Dr. W. Gill Wyllie, whose scratch score was 97, handicap 10, net 87. The Class B handicap was won by O. W. Buckingham, with a net score of 85, handicap 15, and the women's putting match ended in a tie between Miss Archbold and Mrs. John T. Terry, Jr.

## NEWS FOR THE WHEELMEN.

### Proposition for a Junior Branch of the League—John S. Johnson to Race Middle Distances.

Prominent wheelmen of this city have advanced a proposition which is being quietly, yet extensively, agitated and which has generally met approval. It provides for the establishment of a branch of the League of American Wheelmen comprising persons less than eighteen years of age, the age limit of membership to the league, as a sort of cadet organization, to assist in promoting wheelmen's interest in every way. President Isaac B. Potter of the League of American Wheelmen yesterday, when asked his opinion on the project, said "I have heard of the proposition, but never outside of this city, as I remember. A cadet organization might be productive of much good."

As yet the features of the plan are more or less uncertain.

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John S. Johnson, who was at one time probably the most popular rider on the track, and who has been racing in excellent form, has announced his determination to race in middle distances, and will immediately leave his present quarters, at Atlanta, for Chicago, to go into training. At Chicago he expects to confer with Dave Shafer, James Michael's manager, relative to an indoor race this Winter. Arthur Gardiner, another short-distance man, has given out his intention of joining the middle-distance racers.

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The New Year's ride to Yonkers and Tarrytown has been an entertaining feature for wheelmen of New York, who have participated extensively in it. The Associated Cycling Clubs at the last meeting voted to make it an association fixture, in charge of their Racing Committee.

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William H. Anderson of the Century Wheelmen, who is attempting to better the Century Road Club record of sixty consecutive centuries in as many days, started out at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon on his twenty-fifth century from his home, 309 East Thirtieth Street.

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Among the latest applicants for membership in the New York Division of the League of American Wheelmen is L. J. R. Holst, who was First Consul of the National Cyclist Union of Holland, author of the first road book published in the country, and the Secretary of the Trekvogels Club of Amsterdam.

## FOR THE SEAWANHAKA CUP.

### Challenge Is Ratified by the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Yacht Club.

The fifth regular meeting of the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Yacht Club was held in the clubhouse, 19 East Twenty-seventh Street, last night. Rear Commodore H. A. Van Liew presided, and Capt. Herbert L. Satterlee acted as Secretary. The Race Committee made a report of the past season, and announced that thirty orders had been placed for the knockabout class, which is to be raced next year.

The action of the committee in challenging for the Seawanhaka Cup was ratified, and if the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club accepts the challenge in preference to that of Arthur Brand of London, several members promises to build boats.

C. W. Wetmore said that a golf association had been formed within the club, and that golf links had been laid out on Centre Island, which would be ready for play in May.

In the coming Winter there will be one lecture on marine topics and one musical entertainment each month. The mess dinners will be served as usual on Wednesdays. Fifty-nine new members were elected.