

Peak loses playoff in Women's Met

PORT JEFFERSON, N.Y. — Debbie Doniger of Fairview in Connecticut yesterday shot a 90 and defeated Nancy Peak of Wykagyl by three strokes in an 18-hole playoff for the Women's Metropolitan Golf Association's Junior Girls' championship at the Harbor Hills Country Club.

Doniger and Peak had finished in a tie for first at 171 after the regulation 36 holes on Monday and Tuesday at the 5,800-yard, par-74 course.

New Jersey's Laura Merritt of Rockaway River placed third at 187.

In the net division, Jerseyan Mary Jude Cox of Navesink prevailed with a 65-66-131 aggregate.

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The Harbor Hills Country Club in Port Jefferson, New York was the site of the 60th Junior Girls' 36-Hole Open Championship held on July 28, 29. The 5800-yard, par 74 course with its steep hills and narrow fairways was a difficult challenge for the twelve participants. After the first day Debbie Doniger, Fairview, led with a round of 86. Nancy Peek, Wykagyl, was second with 88 followed by Laura Merritt, Rockaway River, with 89.

The second day Nancy shot 83, which was the low round of the tournament, and Debbie came in with an 85. Both girls were thus tied at 171. On July 30, Debbie and Nancy teed off under cloudy skies and a light rain, making playing conditions a lot tougher. Debbie proved a steadier golfer scoring a 90, three strokes less than Nancy, to win the trophy.

Sixteen-year-old Debbie is a polished player who demonstrated, with her straight drives and excellent short game, that she is a true champion. Mary Jude Cox, Navesink, won the WMGA Junior Girls' Championship Net Trophy for the second year in a row with 131 beating out Lynda Iller, Salem, who had 133. Laura Merritt, Rockaway River, won 3rd Gross and Barbara Povalski, took 3rd Net.

All the girls received favors that were provided by a fund established by Mr. Tom Pepitone. Cindy Ferro, WMGA Junior Champion in 1970 and 1971, gave each of the girls a dozen golf balls. We thank them both for their support.

NOEL BARBEE
Junior Girls Chairman



WMGA Junior Girls' Champion
DEBBIE DONIGER