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Bartholomew

STAR LEADER

WMGA champ

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. — Jean Bartholomew, a 19-year old student at Duke University where she has a golf scholarship, overwhelmed 25-year-old Yvonne Thiel, who is going to Yale for her doctorate in physical chemistry, 11 and 9, to win the 83d Women's Metropolitan Golf Association championship yesterday at the Elmwood Country Club.

It was the first major non-junior title that Bartholomew, the tournament qualifying medalist, has won. In 1984, she captured the Met PGA Junior Championship and the WMGA Maureen Orcott Junior title.

"I never expected to win by this kind of score," said Bartholomew, who will be a sophomore next fall at Duke. "I think the key was that I drove well and hit most of the greens in regula-

tion. Yvonne had trouble driving and that got her in trouble.

"I wasn't totally pleased with my game because I missed a lot of putts. I still have a lot of work to do in that particular area."

Bartholomew, who plays out of the Garden City Country Club, was 9 up after the morning 18 holes. Her round included three birdies.

Bartholomew, who played field hockey and basketball as well as golf in high school, closed out the match on the 27th hole with a winning par. Thiel plays out of the Whipoorwill Country Club in Armonk.

In the flight championship, an all-New Jersey final, Norma Kugler of Alpine defeated Lee Berley of Edgewood, 4 and 3, in an 18-hole match to win the Sandford Cup.

MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

The 83rd WMGA Match Play Championship was held at Elmwood Country Club in White Plains, New York. Forty-two players teed off on a beautiful Monday morning, June 9. Jean Bartholomew, Garden City, was the Medalist with a fine 4-over-par 77.

On Tuesday, the Championship flight played 36 holes. The morning match of Louise Munro vs. Carol Pitzer, both of Innis Arden, lasted 21 holes with Louise winning. She then played Jean Bartholomew in the afternoon and that match ended on the 16th hole with Jean victorious.

On Thursday, the rain came and after much delay and mopping of the greens, the matches finally got under way. Jean Bartholomew defeated Karen Noble, Morris County, 4 and 3, and Yvonne Thiel, Whippoorwill, defeated Linda Schnoll, Shackamaxon, 5 and 4.

Jean Bartholomew is the 1986 Champion, having defeated Yvonne Thiel in the finals on Friday. The Sanford Cup finals between Lee Berley, Edgewood, and Norma Kugler, Alpine, saw Norma the victor 4 and 3.

Special thanks go to Pio Salvati, Elmwood's fine Green Superintendent, and his crew who did such a superb job on the course during sunshine as well as teeming rain. We would also like to thank the Elmwood committee and its members for graciously giving their time and golf course to the WMGA.

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