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Mrs. Nesbitt Heads Qualifiers in Metropolitan Golf Test

MEDALIST SCORES FIVE-OVER-PAR 79

Putting Helps Mrs. Nesbitt Lead Sunningdale Field —Mrs. Cici Gets 80

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SCARSDALE, N. Y., June 15
—Mrs. Joseph A. Nesbitt of the Westchester Country Club won the qualifying medal in the fifty-sixth annual Women's Metropolitan Golf Association championship today.

Hitting shots that defied the winds and putting like Bill Casper Jr., the newly crowned Open champion, Mrs. Nesbitt toured the 6,012-yard, par-74 Sunningdale course in 37, 42-79. She was the only player in the field of 100 to break 80.

Mrs. Nesbitt, the semi-finalist last year, needed only nine putts on the first nine holes. She took twenty-four for the round. That was the way to play this hilly course today, as strong winds made it difficult to hit the ball.

There were only about four holes where the wind was of any help. Most of the time the players were hitting into it or trying to solve a tricky cross-wind.

Mrs. Pat Cici of Lido was second with 38, 42—80. Mrs. Cici, the former Jean Stuhler, is a long hitter and is playing in this championship for the first time. She has two brothers who are golf professionals.

Jean was probably the only player today who wasn't bothered by the wind. There is usually a strong breeze blowing at her home club and she has learned how to cope with the problem.

Mrs. Allan Ryan of The Creek, Mrs. Bruce McGhie of Whippoorwill and Maureen Orcutt of White Beeches shared third place at 83. Mrs. Ryan, who was runner-up in this championship many years ago, had a one-over-par 38 on the first nine. But she lost her touch on the back nine and took a 45.

Mrs. McGhie, the former Barbara Bruning, is also playing in her first Metropolitan championship. She has won the New York State title three times and holds the Westchester open title. Mrs. McGhie's long shots were affected by the wind. She scored 42, 41.

Miss Orcutt, who has won the Metropolitan crown eight times, was out in 40, but faulty drives on the second nine led to a 43.

There are four former champions endeavoring to take the title. Mrs. Richard Jablow, the former Judy Frank, decided to forgo defense of the title which she has held for the past three years, because of the pressure of business.

Mrs. Philip Cudone of Forest Hill Field Club, the 1955 champion and the runner-up in 1957 and 1958, had an 85. The three-time champion, Mrs. R. M. Torgerson of Meadow Brook, qualified easily with an 84.

The 1954 winner, Mrs. Sophie Untermeyer of Century did not putt well and finished with an 86. She was bracketed with Mrs. Mortimer May of Englewood and Patricia Tiernan of Wheatley Hills. Mrs. May was the champion in 1948.

It took a score of 92 to