

Algieros continue golfing togetherness

A year ago, 40-year-old Frank Algiero of Scarsdale won the club championship at the Bonnie Briar Country Club in Larchmont for the second time.

A few months later he was dead, victim of a heart attack while on a golfing holiday.

The loss, deeply felt by family and friends alike, merely brought the Algieros closer together, particularly through golf. Now mother Claire Algiero, daughter Laura and son Nick are almost constant companions on the links.

And the family that golfs together, obviously celebrates together. The Algieros now are toasting another champion in the family, 18-year-old Laura, Bonnie Briar's new women's club titlist, who defeated, of all people, her mother, Claire, 8 and 7, in the recent club championship finale.

Twelve-year-old Nicky's rooting interest was, of course, evenly divided between mother and sister.

A seven-handicapper thanks to the teaching efforts of assistant professional George Imburgia, who both encouraged and helped her following the loss of her father, Laura wears the Bonnie Briar mantle with charm, dignity and pride—pride in being the champion daughter of champion parents.

A graduate of Edgemont High, Laura attends Katherine Gibbs. She readily admits that golf is her first love and has professional golf on her mind—but, in her own words, “other responsibilities come first.”

The game comes easy to this golf clan. Three years after Mama Algiero took up the game, she was the Bonnie Briar club champion in both 1975 and 1978. She regrets that she and her late husband did not reign simultaneously.

As for Nick, he's a comer, according to Bonnie Briarites. The modest youngster is scoring in the low nineties these days.

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Mrs. Claire Algiero and daughter Laura