

# Gilmartin

## wins local golf meet

By JAYNE STOGEL

The rain, which poured down in buckets at times, may have delayed — and even hampered — the final round of the Women's Metropolitan Golf Association Junior championship Wednesday, but Adrienne Gilmartin of North Hempstead emerged a winner.

"I like the rain, and usually play well in this kind of weather," said Gilmartin, soaked after shooting an even par-73 Wednesday at Bedford Golf and Tennis Club to win the title with a 36-hole tab of 84-73-157.

Gilmartin, a National Honor Society student, was one of only two players to better 80 Wednesday over the hilly 5,683-yard Bedford terrain. Pelham's Karen Gray totaled 41-38-79 to take second low gross at 162.

"The rain made it rough on everybody," said Gray, 17. "It really hurt concentration to have to go out, come in and go out again."

Although many golfers were disappointed — and perhaps adversely affected — when rain delayed play for approximately one hour, Gilmartin was able to capitalize on the conditions.

"The 7-iron got my ball to about 100 yards shy of the green, and I used my 9-iron to get on. But, I couldn't see where it had landed. When I got to the green my ball wasn't in sight so I thought I had overshot the hole. I was so surprised to see it in the cup!"

Gray credited safe, steady play for her success.

"I worked on my stroke last night with my dad, and just tried to keep my ball on the fairway," said Gray. "On a day like today, with such a hard rain, hitting into the rough meant death."

Gray's best shots came on another par-5 hole when she sliced a drive off the 16th tee that proved to her benefit. Her next shot, a solid 3-wood, landed within the range of the green. Her 8-iron shot placed her within 10 feet of the cup, and she sank it for a birdie.

One stroke behind Gray for third low gross was 1981 New Jersey State Junior champ Charlene Tatz of Ashbrook at 163. Sue Redard of Knickerbocker (N.J.) CC and Karen Noble of Morris County (N.J.) GC tied for low net at 144.