



Tee Talk

Women's Metropolitan Golf Association

WINTER 2024

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President's Message

As we celebrate the WMGA's 125th Anniversary, what a treat it is to once again serve as the President of the WMGA and to be part of an organization that has stood the test of time. The vision of the five women that founded the WMGA in 1899 was extraordinary. The 1899 Statement of Purpose reads, "Object of this Association shall be the promotion of the interests of golf, and more particularly the encouragement of team play and the holding of an annual championship tournament." We have certainly come a long way in 125 years. With 23 founding clubs, many that are still in existence today, we celebrate our heritage as we run 22 tournaments this year for members plus our invitationals, have a YouTube Communications Channel that features our Swing Series episodes, and host an E-museum on our website that celebrates our legendary history.

Recapping 2023, team matches once again started the WMGA season. Approximately 900 members played at our member clubs around the tristate region, and while the primary focus was the golf competition, new friendships were formed, old friendships were renewed, and there was a weather story that could not be ignored - hail! Highlights from our invitationals include the WMGA winning the Griscom Cup at Somerset Hills CC over WGAP and Mass Golf, and a crew of our seniors playing in the first-ever Senior Intercity at LedgeRock CC in Reading, PA. Our Stroke Play Championship at Woodway CC was cut to 27 holes due to inclement weather, and Tiya Chowdary was victorious in the "A" division, while Lori Ann Cerullo won the "B" division. Our oldest championship, the Match Play, underwent a change in format, cutting the final in the "A" division to 18 holes. This allowed us to play the tournament in three days rather than four, hopefully making it easier to procure sites in the future. Congratulations to Tiya Chowdary, a current Foundation Scholarship recipient and winner of the "A" Match Play Championship. Congratulations, also, to Michele Le Moal-Gray, our "B" Match Play champion.

We held our first-ever awards evening at the Links Club in Manhattan in October 2023. *Hats Off!* was an undisputed success, and we look forward to continuing the tradition of an awards ceremony, separate from our Annual Meeting, in years to come. At the event, we honored Player of the Year, Tiya Chowdary, one of our scholarship recipients, and Player of the Year "B," Lori Ann Cerullo, along with Lann and Board of Director winners, Madison Chen and Susan Kim, respectively, for their accomplishments. Our 2023 Judy Bell recipient, Heidi Komoriya, was also recognized for the significant contributions she has made to women's and junior golf. In addition, we cannot run the WMGA without the efforts of our volunteers, and we celebrated our three 2023 Volunteers of the Year: Linda Jenkins, Michele Le Moal-Gray and Mike Rosenberg. I encourage all of you to volunteer; whether it is at a tournament or offering your services in other areas; we always welcome your time and expertise.

The WMGA is poised to have a fantastic celebratory year. The 1899 Committee has worked closely with our Sites Chair, Lynne Gere, to produce an incredible schedule, including a majority of our Founding Clubs serving as host sites. The schedule is on page 10 of this issue, so be sure to monitor our website and communications, such as *On the Tee* and Instagram, to keep up to date on registration and all special events.

My sincere thanks to our staff, Executive Director Sarah Niemeier, Office Manager Suzanne Longlade, and Operations Assistant Ellen Finn. They are responsible for keeping our organization moving forward on a daily basis. Pasqualina Tartaglione has moved on to pursue another career, and we are pleased to welcome Erin Schowerer as our new Tournament Manager. Erin is already at work, and she looks forward to meeting all of you. I would also like to express my gratitude to the entire Board for all that they do. Special thanks to Wendy Dominick and Megan Grehan, who left the Board in 2023, and a warm welcome to our newest Board Members Ellen Oswald Hallissey and Elsie Pallotta. We greatly appreciate their service and support of the WMGA.

One of the greatest attributes of the WMGA is friendship. We have all formed countless relationships with women that love golf, and those friendships are the driving force that keeps the WMGA alive. Thank you to all the many volunteers, including Met Reps and past Presidents, for their service and to our Member Clubs for their support. Now, let's get ready to celebrate our next 125 years!

- Cheryl Brayman, President



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Who's Coming and Who's Going?!

The WMGA is fortunate to have many members with a wide range of skills, on and off the golf course, and we are happy to introduce two of our members who have recently joined our Board.

Ellen Oswald Hallissey - Programming



Ellen grew up in New City, NY, and with encouragement from her father, Gerry, started playing golf at a young age. The WMGA and Met Junior Golf Tour were where she learned to compete and make friends with other local golfers. After a successful junior and high school career playing on the Clarkstown South Boys' Golf Team, Ellen earned a full golf scholarship to St. John's University, where she was coached by Met PGA Professional, Ambry Bishop, and went on to become an Academic All-American. After college, Ellen pursued a professional golf career before finding her way into the world of finance. She is a longtime member of Westchester Country Club and has recently gotten back into competitive golf, playing in WMGA, MGA, and USGA tournaments when possible.

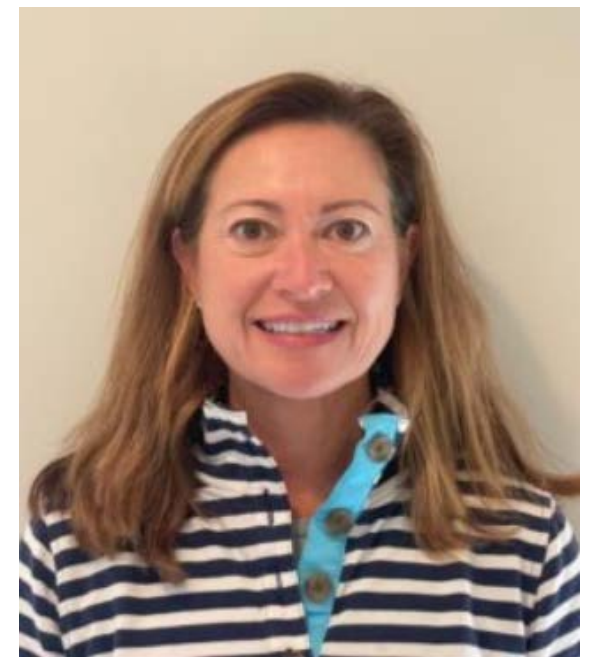
In 2016, Ellen began a career in finance. Much of her early career was spent working for private equity firms with roles in Business Development and Consultant Relations. She currently works for Sahar Global Summits, a conference organization focused on private market alternative investments. Ellen married Daniel Hallissey, also an avid golfer, in 2022. Ellen and Daniel live in Stamford, CT, and have been enjoying their competitive golf rounds here at "home" and in Ireland where Daniel grew up.

Ellen is excited about joining the WMGA board as Programming Chair and looking forward to celebrating the WMGA's 125th birthday with all members of the Met golf community. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Ellen with any questions or ideas on how we can continue to celebrate and enjoy this great game of golf alongside the WMGA.

Elsie Pallotta - Long Island District Captain

Elsie grew up in Brightwaters, NY. She played field hockey in high school and was a rower and coxswain at Skidmore College. Elsie then had a long career in non-profit fundraising in New York City and that is when she discovered her love of golf. Rather than sitting on the sidelines during the many golf outings she raised funds for, she decided it was better to learn to play and join the fun. And what fun it became! Retired, she now plays as often as she can and especially loves playing with her husband and three children. They are members of Southward Ho Country Club in Bay Shore.

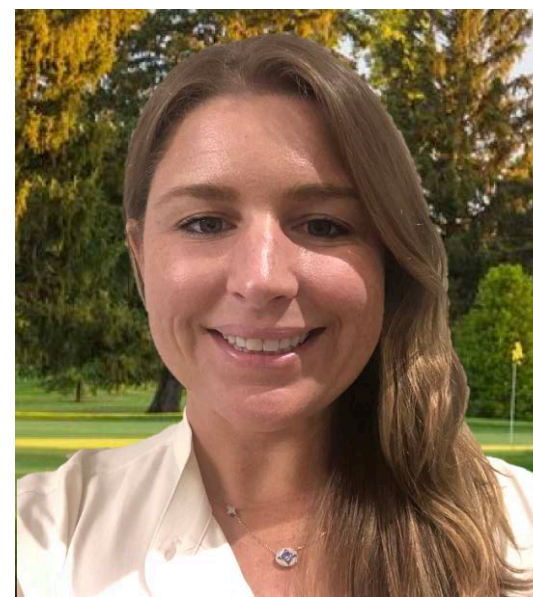
Golf has become a large part of her life in recent years. Elsie is very active at Southward Ho and throughout the years has volunteered in multiple capacities, currently as a member of the Ladies Golf committee. She has enjoyed playing in the team matches and participates in as many WMGA tournaments as she can. She considers it a privilege to serve on the WMGA board.



At the same time that we welcome new Board Members, we thank those who have retired their logoed white shirts...



Wendy Dominick
Team Match Chair (2018-2023)



Megan Grehan
Programming Chair (2022-2023)

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Team Matches

Whether you call them Team Matches or MET Matches, we all know the terror and thrill of being out there in unpredictable spring weather, with rusty games and teammates counting on you to win points. During our 76th year of matches, we had approximately 900 players competing, and over the course of two and a half weeks, there were two holes-in-one, Tina Eide of Ramsey Golf & CC and Sarah Kaspars of Scarsdale GC, and a day of hail! Three Series One teams, Montclair GC, North Shore CC and Sleepy Hollow CC, ended up facing off and it was the North Shore team, captained by Cheryl Brayman, that claimed victory and hoisted the "Founders Cup." Congratulations to North Shore, Sarah and Tina, and all the teams that won their series. We can't wait for the fun to continue this spring, and for a look at this year's Team Match Schedules for your district, click this link here.



North Shore



Montclair



Sleepy Hollow



The Vineyards



Tina Eide of Ramsey Golf & CC



Sarah Kaspars of Scarsdale GC



Siwanoy



Colts Neck



Maidstone



Otterkill



Peddie



Fiddler's Elbow



Port Jefferson



Century



Mountain Ridge




Huntington Crescent

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Cheers to Our 2023 Team Match Winners!



Team Match Final Results

SPRING 2023

LONG ISLAND	NEW JERSEY	WESTCHESTER / CT
Series 1		
North Shore 1	53.0	
Lake Success 1	49.0	
The Creek	47.5	
Piping Rock 1	42.0	
Southward Ho 1	33.5	
Meadow Brook	0.0	
Series 2		
Fresh Meadow 1	44.5	
Old Westbury	41.0	
Cherry Valley	37.5	
Indian Hills	36.5	
Bellport	35.0	
Glen Oaks	30.5	
Series 3		
North Hempstead 1	44.0	
St. George's 1	43.0	
Piping Rock 2	41.0	
Maidstone	37.5	
Cold Spring 1	32.0	
Huntington 1	24.5	
Series 4		
North Shore 2	49.5	
Southampton	45.0	
Lake Success 2	44.0	
Huntington Crescent	37.5	
Rockaway Hunting	32.5	
Garden City	16.5	
Series 5		
Nassau	58.5	
Hempstead	52.0	
Port Jefferson	34.0	
South Fork	34.0	
The Hamlet	24.0	
Mill River	22.5	
Series 6		
Seawane	48.5	
Muttontown	46.0	
Lawrence	40.0	
Plandome	33.5	
Southward Ho 2	31.0	
Westhampton	26.0	
Series 7		
The Vineyards	56.0	
Cold Springs 2	42.5	
St. George's 2	34.5	
North Hempstead 2	31.5	
Rockville Links	30.5	
Nissequogue	30.0	
Series 8		
Village Club of Sands	62.5	
Laurel Links	52.5	
North Fork	44.5	
Fresh Meadow 2	39.0	
Huntington 2	26.5	
BYE	0.0	
Series 3		
Manasquan River 1	58.5	
Trump - Bedminster	40.5	
Oak Hill	39.0	
Rumson	36.5	
Forsgate 1	34.0	
Springdale	16.5	
Series 4		
Hamilton Farm	67.0	
Hackensack	39.5	
Brooklake	36.0	
Bedens Brook	31.5	
North Jersey	29.5	
Deal	21.5	
Series 5		
Ridgewood	44.0	
Rockaway River 1	43.5	
Navesink	41.5	
Spring Lake 2	39.0	
Beacon Hill	32.0	
Roxiticus	25.0	
Series 6		
Fiddler's Elbow 1	62.0	
Cherry Valley 2	56.5	
Fairmount	36.0	
Copper Hill	35.5	
Essex Fells	22.0	
The Ridge	13.0	
Series 7		
Colts Neck	47.5	
Stanton Ridge	45.0	
Spring Brook 1	45.0	
Montclair 2	38.0	
Canoe Brook 2	25.5	
Baltusrol 2	24.0	
Series 8		
Plainfield 2	50.0	
Jasna Polana	48.0	
Richmond County	38.5	
Crestmont	37.0	
Echo Lake	30.0	
Knickerbocker	21.5	
Series 9		
Fiddler's Elbow 2	51.5	
NJ National	46.0	
Ramsey	37.5	
Upper Montclair 2	33.0	
Alpine 2	32.5	
Forest Hill	24.5	
Series 10		
Liberty National	58.5	
Cobblestone Creek	41.5	
Mountain Ridge 2	40.5	
Manasquan River 2	33.0	
Forsgate 2	32.5	
Mendham 2	19.0	
Series 11		
Glen Ridge	53.5	
Shackamoxon	43.5	
Spring Brook 2	42.5	
Somerset Hills 2	29.5	
Rockaway River 2	28.5	
Metuchen	27.5	
Series 12		
Peddie Golf	62.0	
Maplewood	42.0	
Basking Ridge	34.0	
Black Oak	33.0	
Fiddler's Elbow 3	29.0	
Cedar Hill	25.0	
Series 1		
Sleepy Hollow 1	59.0	
Round Hill 1	41.0	
Westchester 1	39.5	
Winged Foot 1	37.0	
Rye 1	28.0	
Greenwich	20.5	
Series 2		
Siwanoy	53.0	
Woodway	45.0	
Century	45.0	
Burning Tree 1	35.5	
CC of Fairfield	26.5	
Whippoorwill	20.0	
Series 3		
Sunningdale	53.0	
Shorehaven	42.0	
Mt. Kisco	37.5	
Scarsdale 1	37.0	
Silvermine	31.0	
Westchester 2	24.5	
Series 4		
Bedford	46.5	
Paramount	41.5	
CC of Darien	40.5	
Wykagyl	35.5	
Apawamis	35.5	
Lake Isle 1	25.5	
Series 5		
Trump HV	49.0	
Ridgewood	43.5	
Round Hill 2	40.0	
Winged Foot 2	36.0	
Innis Arden 1	29.5	
Salem	27.0	
Series 6		
Old Oaks	53.5	
Ardsley	47.0	
Metropolis	44.5	
Sleepy Hollow 2	40.5	
Bonnie Briar	39.5	
Tamarack	0.0	
Series 7		
Manhattan Woods	48.5	
Rye 2	44.5	
Burning Tree 2	39.0	
Trump WC	36.5	
Westchester Hills	33.5	
Fairview	23.0	
Series 8		
Otterkill	52.5	
Knollwood	43.5	
Pelham	36.0	
Innis Arden 2	31.5	
Westchester 3	31.0	
Milbrook	30.5	
Series 9		
Tuxedo	58.5	
St. Andrews	55.5	
Combined	42.5	
Rye 3	38.5	
Lake Isle 2	18.0	
Scarsdale 2	12.0	
Series 1		
Montclair 1	47.5	
Baltusrol 1	45.0	
Cherry Valley 1	43.5	
Upper Montclair 1	33.0	
Plainfield 1	29.0	
Spring Lake 1	27.0	
Series 2		
Alpine 1	50.0	
Somerset Hills 1	41.5	
Mountain Ridge 1	41.5	
White Beeches	36.0	
Canoe Brook 1	34.0	
Mendham 1	22.0	

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Hats Off!

On this page we say "hats off!" to a special WMGA member, our members who tested their games against the best on a state and national level, and the designer of our 125th Anniversary Logo.



After 43 years as a WMGA member, **Eileen Hickey** of Southward Ho CC is saying goodbye to her teammates. She and LeeAnn Lewis joined the Met Team at Southward Ho around the same time in the early 80's. According to LeeAnn, Eileen was the epitome of a team player. She was always available to play and in any position, ready to sit it out if it helped the team, willing to drive to the matches, on time, and prepared and dressed properly for crazy weather. Furthermore, Eileen always played by the rules and was a good sport, never gave up, was fun at the lunch table, AND almost always took the points!

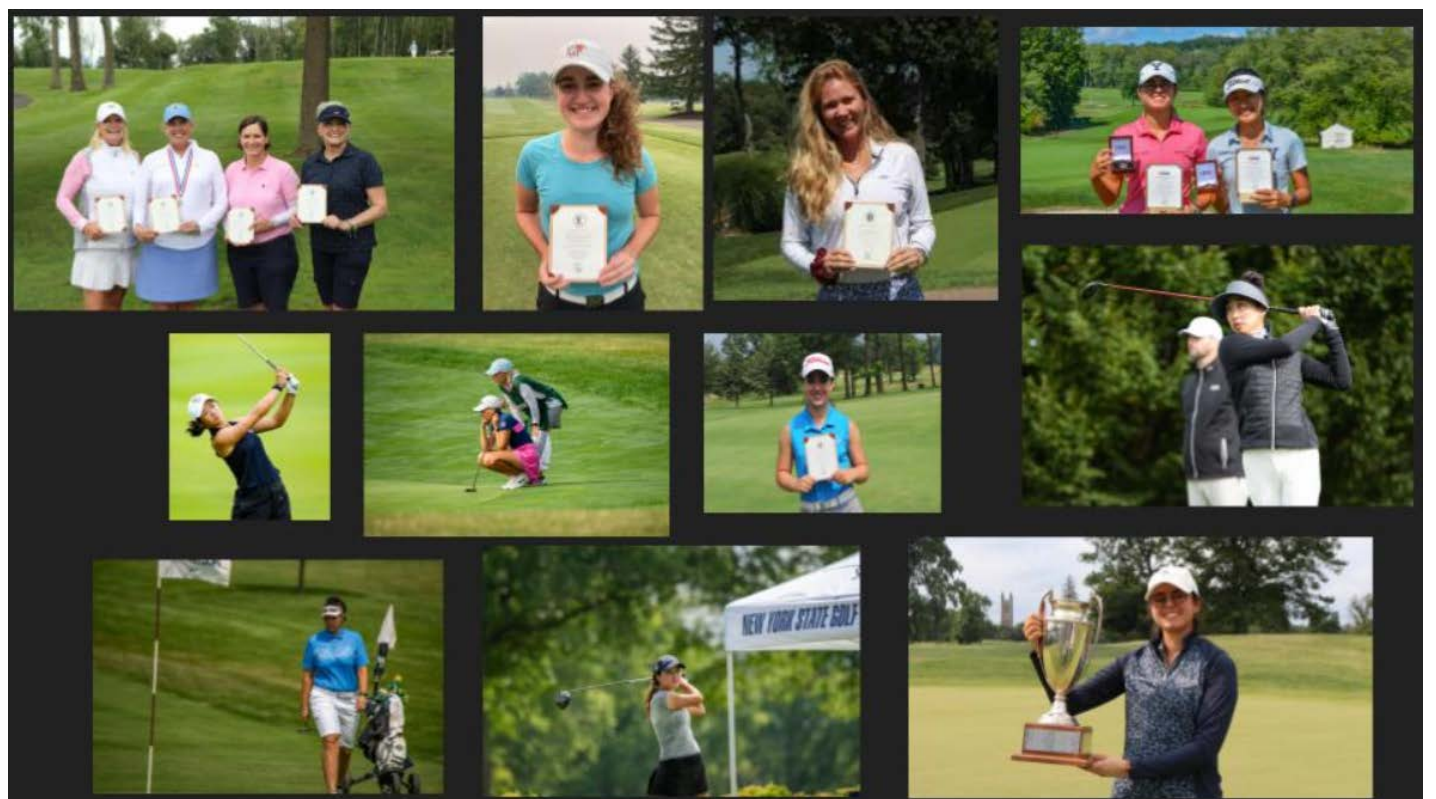
Southward Ho's pro, Dave Preston calls Eileen a class act, a fantastic golfer, and one of his favorite people. He notes that over her years at the club, Eileen won 7 Senior Championships, 4 Member/Member Championships, 1 Windmill Championship, 9 Grandmother's Gross Championships and 9 Club Championships. She also had two holes-in-one at Southward Ho and served as the Women's Chairlady from 1999-2000.



Finally, Met Rep Denise Gibson calls Eileen her true, neighborhood mother, on and off the golf course. Eileen taught Denise early on to enjoy golf and have fun. Denise recalls one time when Eileen was playing a WMGA match at one of the courses on the South Shore of Long Island. She hit her approach shot, and the South wind got hold of the ball and pushed it away from the green and off the course. The ball landed on a truck that was passing by, and the unsuspecting driver took off with Eileen's ball in the back of the truck!

There is so much we all can learn from Eileen Hickey. Her teammates at Southward Ho will always remember her team spirit, competitiveness and good cheer, and we wish her good health and all the best as she pursues other interests away from the course.

Every year, WMGA members compete in state tournaments, as well as enter local qualifiers to earn spots in USGA events. This year was no exception, and a tip of our hats and visors to all the girls and women who qualified: **Ami Gianchandani** and **Kaitlyn Lee** for the U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball Championship; **Sammie Dolce** and **Katie Li** for the U.S. Girls' Junior Amateur; **Samantha Galantini** and **Katie Li** for the U.S. Women's Amateur; **Ina Kim-Schaad** and **Ellen Oswald Hallissey** for the U.S. Women's Mid-Am, and **Amy Bender** and **Nancy Cole** for the Senior Women's Amateur. On the local level, **Ami Gianchandani** won her second NJ Women's Amateur title; **Erika Fuentes**, **Emily Montagnino** and **Isabella Salerno** finished in the top ten of the NYS Women's Am, as did **Merrilynn Gibbs** in the NYS Women's Mid-Am. Finally, one of our all-time great Hall of Famers, **Ann Probert**, was inducted into the NJSGA's Hall of Fame.



A special anniversary deserves a special logo, and **Ryan Gabel** came up with the perfect logo for our 125th Anniversary. COVID led Ryan to combine his passion for art with his love of golf, and he launched Alternate Golf Logos. His creation will be front and center during our celebrations this year, and if you want to start proudly wearing it, go to the Summit Golf Brands site, <https://www.summitgolfbrands.com/>, do some shopping, input the **WMGA25** savings code (25% off) and whatever tops you order will have our Anniversary logo. Be sure to order the correct size because logoed merchandise cannot be returned.

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Put The Spotlight On...



Heidi Komoriya, 2023 Judy Bell Award Recipient

The WMGA established the Judy Bell Award at its 1997 Annual Meeting to recognize "... significant contributions to the game of golf for women and/or juniors in the Metropolitan area." Judy Bell is a formidable presence in the world of golf. In 1996 she was the first woman elected president of the USGA. An able administrator, Miss Bell earlier served as the first woman on the sixteen-member USGA Executive Committee. As a golfer, Miss Bell won many championships, played on the 1960 and 1962 Curtis Cup teams, and served as Curtis Cup Captain in 1986.

What do you get when you mix a nuclear engineer with a master gardener, who happens to love golf? Heidi Komoriya, last year's Judy Bell Award recipient! Heidi worked for General Electric before nabbing her dream job at the Argonne National Laboratory, a US Department of Energy Research Center. She even won recognition from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, a rarity for a civilian, and she eventually opened her own consulting firm to assist the Commission in the regulation of nuclear power plant operations during hypothetical accident conditions. Thankfully, for the WMGA, Heidi opted for early retirement and she joined the WMGA board as Secretary in 2001.

In addition to her initial duties to keep the minutes of the Board meetings, she also converted and reformatted the Tournament Schedule Book file (used by the commercial publisher) for use on the WMGA office computer so that it could be published in-house. At the same time, Heidi trained to become a course rater and a few years later, she became the course rating chair for the WMGA. Throughout her years as the course rating chair, Heidi focused on training our raters and advising our member clubs, as well as non-member clubs, regarding their golf course setups. She assisted women's groups to reassign hole handicaps; helped women to relocate tee boxes, and helped develop a shorter set of tees for clubs to attract more women for membership.

More recently, she was asked to join the board of the WMGA Foundation, where she continues to serve on the Scholarship Committee. Thanks to her professional background, skills and interests, Heidi has established a new scholarship for STEM, once again demonstrating her continuing dedication to growing the game of golf and supporting young women.

She and her husband Paul relocated to North Carolina in 2020, but she continues her work with the Foundation, and the Carolina Golf Association is benefitting from her expertise as she rates the golf courses in her new neighborhood.



Madison Chen, 2023 Lann Trophy

The Lann Trophy is awarded to the player with the lowest gross tournament score in a Class A event. Madison Chen, a North Shore CC member, shot a record-setting 62, ten under par, on the first day of the Maureen Orcutt Trophy Championship at White Beeches Golf & CC and then went on to win the event by 15 strokes on the second day.

Susan Kim, 2023 Board of Directors Cup

The Board of Directors Cup is given to the player with the lowest gross tournament score in a Class B event. Independent Member Susan Kim posted an 84 in the New Jersey One Day Stroke Play tournament at Shackamaxon CC.



Lori Ann Cerullo, WMGA Class B Player of the Year

Former WMGA President, Lori Ann Cerullo, from Rye GC, enjoyed one of her best seasons with the WMGA by winning the Stroke "B" Championship, making the quarterfinals of the Match Play "B" Championship, and finishing 7th in the Westchester/CT One Day Stroke Play "B" Tournament.



Tiya Chowdary, WMGA Class A Player of the Year

Independent Member Tiya Chowdary certainly enjoyed her winning season. In addition to playing with her sister Tanya in the Sister-Sister and finishing 2nd in the One Day LI Stroke Play Tournament at Westhampton CC, Tiya won our top two tournaments, the Match Play and Stroke Play Championships. Tiya is also one of our Foundation's scholarship recipients, and we wish her continued success on and off the course as she continues her studies at NYU.



Congratulations to all these amazing women!

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Our Community of Volunteers

Volunteering is at the core of the WMGA, initiated by our five founders, and whether you serve as a board member, committee participant, tournament volunteer or course rater, the WMGA would not be the organization it is today without you, our volunteers. So in 2020, the Board decided to annually recognize the individuals who go above and beyond to advance the WMGA's mission.

First, we initiated a Volunteer Appreciation program that acknowledges those members who have either volunteered at three tournaments or have served in multiple volunteer positions, such as Met Rep or Series Captain, and also helped out at our tournaments. Last year's recipients will receive a voucher for a tournament entry for the upcoming 2024 season. Thank you **Barbara Briamonte, Cheryl Brayman, Toasty Calhoun, Donna De Marco, Wendy Dominick, Kathy Flicker, Jeannie Gaston, Lynne Gere, Darcy Myers, and Kate Zellinger.**

Second, the Board spotlights three individuals, one from each district, who exemplify the volunteer spirit. We are proud of our fourth set of recipients of the Volunteer of the Year recognition.



Past WMGA Board Secretary **Michele Le Moal-Grey** is impartial, level-headed and smart, and she is always willing to take a call when we need advice. Michele's meticulous attention to detail that we first noticed as she scrutinized our minutes, not only serves her well professionally, it has helped us in recent years. Her clubmates at Bellport Country Club and The Vineyards on Long Island will tell you that she knows the rules, plays by them and is a really nice person, too. For all her tireless efforts on our behalf, we are pleased to acknowledge Michele as one of our Volunteers of the Year.

Representing New Jersey, is Cherry Valley's **Mike Rosenberg**. As some of you might know, Mike's wife, Kathy Flicker, is the District Chair of Team Matches for New Jersey. It is an incredibly intricate job that involves coordinating teams in 12 Series. While Kathy ably handles all of the negotiations, early on she revealed that she has her own wizard behind the curtain, Mike, that manages all the inputting of the information, especially on the days of the matches. And this wizard has been at work since Kathy became the district chair back in 2017. Therefore, in recognition of his support of his wife, as well as the WMGA, we are delighted to acknowledge Mike as one of our Volunteers of the Year.



Finally, **Linda Jenkins** from Ardsley Country Club, in Westchester, did it all this year, as she has done for at least 15 years. The WMGA asks our Met Reps to assist with membership recruiting and renewals, scheduling the team matches and securing tournament events. In fact, the Match Play, our oldest tournament, is returning to Ardsley this year thanks to Linda's efforts. She is her club members' advocate, team cheerleader and series organizer, and we are thrilled to acknowledge Linda as one of our Volunteers of the Year.

Our 2023 Volunteers of the Year received a voucher for a tournament entry for the 2024 season, along with an award certificate. Congratulations and thanks to all our volunteers for their continuous support of the WMGA.

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We Are The Champions! 2023 Tournament Results and Special Awards

ONE-DAY STROKE PLAY

W/CT One Day Stroke Play "A" - Patterson
Gross: Cheryl Brayman (North Shore)
Net: Addy Park (Rye)

W/CT One Day Stroke Play "B" - Patterson
Gross: Christine Yi (Engineers)
Net: Bernadette Jackel (Patterson)

LI One Day Stroke Play "A" - Westhampton
Gross: Nina Santonocito (Vineyards)
Net: Sheila Stoltz (North Fork)

LI One Day Stroke Play "B" - Westhampton
Gross: Suzanne Longlade (Lake Isle)
Net: Jane Byrne (Vineyards)

NJ One Day Stroke Play "A" - Shackamaxon
Gross: Erika Fuentes (Independent)
Net: Nina Santonocito (Vineyards)

NJ One Day Stroke Play "B" - Shackamaxon
Gross: Susan Kim (Independent)
Net: Michele LeMoal-Gray (Bellport)

JUNIOR EVENTS

Junior Girls' Open Championship - Seawane
Gross: Yasmina Oralkhan
Net: Veronika Niklin

Maureen Orcutt Trophy Tournament - White Beeches
Gross: Madison Chen
Net: Lily Patel

MATCH PLAY

Match Play "A" Championship - Metuchen
Champion: Tiya Chowdary (Independent)
Runner-Up: Amy Bender (Ardsley)
Semi-Finalist: Sue Sardi (Cherry Valley)
Semi-Finalist: Kate Platt (Montclair)

Match Play "B" Championship - Metuchen
Champion: Michele LeMoal-Gray (Bellport)
Runner-Up: Wendy Dominick (Powelton)
Semi-Finalist: Christine Yi (Engineers)
Semi-Finalist: Khristine Briggs (Ramsey)

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Class "A"
Tiya Chowdary (Independent)

Class "B"
Lori Ann Cerullo (Rye)

SPECIAL EVENTS

Stroke Play "A" Championship - Woodway
Gross: Tiya Chowdary (Independent)
Net: Joette Fullerton (Tuxedo)

Stroke Play "B" Championship - Woodway
Gross: Lori Ann Cerullo (Rye)
Net: Diane Thomet (Rye)

Seniors "A" Championship - Sunningdale
Gross: Helen Bernstein (Paramount)
Net: Miyoung Lee (Liberty National)

Seniors "B" Championship - Sunningdale
Gross: Victoria Honan (Green Brook)
Net: Michele LeMoal-Gray (Bellport)

Met Amateur Championship - Essex County
Gross: Sofia Nogalo (Hollow Brook)
Net: Ellen Oswald (Westchester)

Better Ball "A" Championship - Southward Ho
Gross: Mimi McAndrew (Piping Rock) & Helen Stovell (Fairfield)
Net: Asma Naeem & Carolyn Lyall (St. Andrews)

Better Ball "B" Championship - Southward Ho
Gross: Maureen Brennan (Garden City) & Kathleen Williamson (Independent)
Net: Sandra Symon (Independent) & Catherine Strick (Independent)

Better Ball A/B Tournament - Trump Bedminster
Gross: Miryoung Park & Youngjoo Choi (Lake Success)
Net: Wanda Taktikos (Trump HV) & Donna Apple (Salem)

John B. Mackie Memorial Scotch Foursomes - Inwood
Gross: Yong Park (Independent) & Donna Joseph (Independent)
Net: Lorraine Vultaggio (Independent) & Toasty Calhoun (Independent)

Sis Choate Memorial Pinehurst Tournament - Navesink
Gross: Nancy Cole & Debra Fromer (Alpine)
Net: Carolyn Raia & Stacie MacCourtney (Richmond)

Best-Ball-Of-Four Club Team Tournament - Winged Foot
Gross: Sleepy Hollow
Barbara Klestadt, Ashley Bohlen, Catelyn Letizia & Maureen Wright
Net: North Hempstead
Elizabeth Paik, Dudley Sullivan, Caryn Cirella & Mary Breen

Best-Ball-of-Four Dream Team Tournament - Laurel Links
Gross: Cancelled
Net: Cancelled

Blue and White Cup - The Vineyards
Champions: Blue Team, Captain: Barbara Rederscheid (The Vineyards)
Runner-Up: White Team, Captain: Nina Santonocito (The Vineyards)

SPECIAL AWARDS

The **Lann Trophy** goes to the player with the lowest gross score in a Class "A" Tournament. The 2023 winner was Madison Chen, North Shore.

The **Board of Directors Cup** honor is given every year to the player with the lowest gross score in a Class "B" Tournament. The 2023 winner was Susan Kim, Independent

FAMILY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Mother-Son - North Hempstead
Gross: Helen & Brandon Bernstein (Paramount)
Net: Pam & Kevin Dolph (Huntington & Deepdale)

Mother-Daughter - Rockland
Gross: Kate & Jane Platt (Montclair)
Net: Sarah & Emily Cohn (Fresh Meadow)

Sister-Brother - Rockland
Gross: Sheila O'Malley & James Fury (Cherry Valley)
Net: Terri & John Lyman (Independent)

Sister-Sister - Rockland
Gross: Liliana Bedrosian & Oksana Manoukian (White Beeches)
Net: Susan Kim & Linda Lee (Independent)

Father-Daughter - Rockland
Gross: Alyssa & Adam Godfrey (Piping Rock)

Husband-Wife "A" - Pelham
Gross: Peggy & Brian Flanagan (Rye)
Net: Maki & David Drake (Inwood)

Husband-Wife "B" - Muttontown
Gross: Maureen & Joseph Abraham (Engineers)
Net: Jacqueline & Michael Celestino (Bonnie Briar)

INTERCITY/INTERDISTRICT MATCHES

Competition for the Golf Illustrated Trophy - Glen Arbor (W/CT)
Winner: Westchester/Connecticut

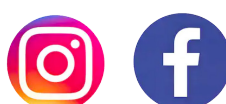
Competition for the Myra D. Paterson Trophy - Cold Spring (LI)
Winner: Long Island

Inter-District Playoff (Founders Trophy) - Fairmount (NJ)
Winner: Long Island

Intercity Team Matches (Griscom Cup) - Somerset Hills (WMGA)
Winner: Women's Metropolitan Golf Association

Junior Girls' Intercity Team Matches (Enos Cup) - Wyantenuck (MASS)
Winner: Women's Golf Association of Pennsylvania

Senior Women's Intercity Matches - LedgeRock (PA)
Winner: Women's Golf Association of Pennsylvania



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Celebrating Our 2023 Club Champions!

*Congratulations to all our WMGA members who won their club championship titles in 2023!
We apologize if your name is not on the list; we included those who notified us.*

Club Name	Champion	Club Name	Champion
Arcola CC	Karen Keyes	Nassau CC	Hannah Pohalski Hamer
Aspetuck Valley CC	Ruth Shorten	Navesink CC	Michelle Mandia
Atlantic GC	Paula Gleacher	New Jersey National GC	Yunhee Kang
Baltusrol GC	Meral Malady	Nissequogue GC	Linda Bernstein
Basking Ridge CC	Jennifer Perry	North Fork CC	Erica Gambardella
Beacon Hill CC	Julie Jackson	North Hempstead CC	Caty Corso
Bedens Brook Club	Martha Sword	North Jersey CC	Diane Chen
Bellport GC	Debbie Capozzi	North Shore CC	Paula Park
Black Oak GC	Sarah Schulz	Oak Hill GC	Linda Bullock
Brooklake CC	Ratchanee Benson	Old Oaks CC	Gabrielle Herzig
Canoe Brook CC	Kathleen Laughlin	Old Westbury Golf & CC	Misoon Kim
Cedar Hill Golf & CC	Stephanie Moray	Panther Valley Golf & CC	Jannie Pelcher
Century CC	Natalie Grainger	Paramount GC	Helen Bernstein
Cherry Valley Club	Claire Rothschild	Piping Rock Club	Mimi McAndrew
Cherry Valley CC NJ	Sue Sardi	Plandome CC	Brandy Miller
Cobblestone Creek CC	Carol Brophy	Port Jefferson CC	Mary Jane Bartholomew
Cold Spring CC	Lori Guttentag	Preakness Hills CC	Jayne Abramson
CC of Darien	Michelle Stelben Murphy	Quaker Ridge GC	Pam Farber
Engineers CC	Christine Yi	Richmond County CC	Carolyn Raia
Essex Fells CC	Alair Muzzatti	Ridgewood CC, CT	Jennifer Curran
Fairview CC	Randi Nielsen	Rockaway Hunting Club	Leslie Burgstahler
Fiddler's Elbow CC	Joanna Guglani	Rockland CC	Renata Coyle
Forsgate CC	Shufang Feng	Rockrimmon CC	Moira Snover
Fresh Meadow CC	Claudia Josebachvili	Rumson CC	Catarina Ryan
Garden City CC	Nancy Kiley	Rye GC	Melissa Maurer
Gardiner's Bay CC	Samantha Sessa	Salem GC	Jeanine Nadler
Greenwich CC	Emily Peyser	Scarsdale GC	Wendy Kahn
Hackensack GC	Stephanie Lenahan	Seawane Club	Hilary Kessler
Hamilton Farm GC	Beth Keyes	Shackamaxon CC	Mary Ring
Hamlet Golf & CC	Alice Tong	Shorehaven GC	Leela Narang Benaderet
Hampton Hills Golf & CC	Lois Adams	Sleepy Hollow CC	Lauren Smykle
Hudson National GC	Megan Grehan	Somerset Hills CC	Christina Parsells
Huntington CC	Susannah Gemberling	South Fork CC	Michelle Roberts
Huntington Crescent Club	Jamie Pastorelli	Southampton GC	Ann Enstine
Indian Hills CC	Lauren Waldman	Southward Ho CC	Christina Baglio
Innis Arden GC	Catherine McEvoy	Spring Brook CC	Caroline Fixter
Inwood CC	Maki Drake	Springdale GC	Madeline Zang
Knollwood CC	Laura Hughes	Stanton Ridge Golf & CC	Cassidy Conklin
Lake Isle CC	Donna De Marco	Tamarack	Stephanie Harris
Lake Success GC	Sophie Jang	The Apawamis Club	Natalie Grainger
Laurel Links CC	Pasqualina Berkowitz	The Country Club at Otterkill	Corinna Limbocker
Lawrence GC	Sherri Tichner	The Creek	Caroline Quamme
Maidstone Club	Paula Gleacher	The Patterson Club	Jayne Hynes
Manasquan River GC	Christina Hall	The Ridge at Back Brook	Anne Williams
Manhattan Woods GC	Becky Carretta	The Ridgewood CC, NJ	Colleen Edelman
Maplewood CC	Barbara Colin	The Tuxedo Club	Kellie Baldwin
Meadow Brook Club	Lilly Havens	The Vineyards	Nina Santonocito
Mendham Golf & Tennis Club	Laura Perrin	Trump National GC - Bedminster	Emily Renoff
Metuchen Golf & CC	Paola Chan	Trump National GC - Hudson Valley	Veronica Vawter
Mill River Club	Ulla Chase	Trump National GC - Westchester	Jeri Rippon
Montammy GC	Tina Lieberman	Village Club of Sands Point	Rachel Fain
Montclair GC	Samantha Galantini	West Hills CC	Prentiss Shaw
Mount Kisco CC	Phyllis Gusick	Westchester Hills CC	Jen Plummer
Mountain Ridge CC	Jaynie Siegel	Whippoorwill Club	Stepahnie Bridger
		Woodway CC	Kile Keever

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2024 Tournament Schedule

DATE	EVENT	HOST CLUB
April 25 th , 30 th May 2 nd , 7 th & 9 th	Team Matches	(LI) (NJ) (WCT)
May 14th	Interdistrict Championship - Founders Cup	Knollwood CC (WCT)
May 16th	99th Golf Illustrated Tournament - Invitational	Brooklawn CC- 1899 (WCT)
May 21st	96th Myra D. Paterson Tournament - Invitational	North Jersey CC- 1899 (NJ)
May 22nd	One Day Stroke Play "A" & "B" in Westchester *+	Wykagyl CC (WCT)
May 29th - 30th	120th Griscom Cup Matches – Invitational	Lehigh Country Club (WGAP)
May 29th - 30th	47th Stroke Play "A" and 24th Stroke Play "B" Championships*+	Rockaway Hunting Club- 1899 (LI)
June 11th	"Old School" Stableford Tournament	Rutgers University Golf - formerly New Brunswick GC- 1899 (NJ)
June 11th	26th MGA/WMGA Women's Public Links Championship	Bethpage - Yellow Course (LI)
June 18th	22nd WMGA/MGA Metropolitan Amateur Championship*	Nassau CC- 1899 (LI)
June 26th -27th	83rd Junior Girls' Intercity – Invitational (Enos Cup)	Montclair CC - 1899 (NJ)
July 16th	98th Junior Girls' Open Championship*	The Milbrook Club (WCT)
July 18th	Best Ball of Four - Club Tournament	Mountain Ridge (NJ)
July 23rd - 25th	120th Match Play "A" and 7th Match Play "B" Championships*+	Ardley CC- 1899 (WCT)
July 30th	One Day Stroke Play "A" & "B" in Long Island*+	Rockville Links (LI)
August 7th	85th Mother-Son Championship	Essex County CC - 1899 (NJ)
August 13th-14th	65th Maureen Orcutt Trophy Tournament (Junior Girls)*	White Beeches CC (NJ)
August 15th	Family Championships: 77th Father-Daughter, 97th Mother-Daughter, 31st Sister-Sister, 90th Sister-Brother Championships	The Powelton Club - 1899 (WCT)
August 19th-20th	36th WMGA/MET PGA Open Championship (2-day)*	TBA
August 20th - 21st	74th Seniors "A" and 58th Seniors "B" Championships *+	Morris County GC- 1899 (NJ)
August 22nd	Best Ball of Four - Dream Team Tournament	Plainfield CC - 1899 (NJ)
August 27th	94th Husband-Wife "A" & 70th Husband-Wife "B" Championships	Watchung Valley GC
September 10th	63rd Better Ball "A" and 59th Better Ball "B" Championships	Greenwich CC - 1899 (WCT)
September 16th	Best Ball of Four A&B - 1899 Fall Classic	Laurel Links (LI)
September 19th	35th Sis Choate Pinehurst Tournament	Wee Burn CC - 1899 (WCT)
September 26th	One Day Stroke Play "A" & "B" in New Jersey *+	Richmond County CC - 1899 (NJ)
October 8th	82nd John B. Mackie Memorial Tournament	Inwood CC (LI)
October 20th-21st	6th Blue and White Cup	The Vineyards CC (LI)
October 21st -23rd	21st French-American Challenge - Invitational	France
Oct 30th - Nov 3rd	Sea Island Golf Trip	Sea Island, Georgia
TBA	61st MGA/WMGA Mixed Pinehurst Championship	TBA

