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Match Play Portion Of The
WWGA Amateur Gets Under Way

After the conclusion of play on Tuesday a playoff was necessary to determine the final spaces in Championship Flight. There were 11 players tied with a 2 day score of 152 and there were 8 spaces available. 5 players qualified on the first playoff hole (#10) and the remainder qualified on the second playoff hole (#11). The playoff ended about 9:30 pm.

This morning started the Match Play portion of our event. The low 64 players (including those who qualified in the playoff) will contend for the title of Champion of the WWGA's 116th National Amateur Championship. After today's match, both the winner and finalist will play 2 rounds on Thursday, 2 rounds on Friday and a 36-hole Championship round on Saturday. Other players remaining in the field played in subsequent flights determined by their qualifying scores whose flights will play their final matches on Friday afternoon.

Today Dayton Country Club saw 3 more Holes-in-One. The first one was on Hole #2 by Canadian Chloe Currie. Currie, who hails from Mississauga, Ontario, used her 8 iron on the 162-yard hole. This was Currie's first ace, not bad for a girl who will turn 17 in October. Currie defeated Katherine Chan, Richmond, British Columbia, Canada, in a First Flight match. She will attend the College of Charleston in the fall of 2017.

The second Hole-In-One was turned in by Lexi Toth who also had a Hole-In-One on Monday. This time it was on Hole #10 where she shot her 7 iron 142-yards. Toth will be a Junior at Rollins College. Rollins won the NCAA Women's Golf Division 2 Championship in May where Toth placed 4th in the Individual competition. Today Toth defeated incoming Ohio State University student, Adeena Shears, Elizabeth, West Virginia, 6 & 4.

A third Hole-In-One was scored by Delaney Shah of North Potomac, Maryland. This was also her first ace and she also made it on the 162-yard 10th Hole. Using ½ of her 8 iron, she hit her shot off the left fringe and it rolled into the cup. Shah has been playing golf since the age of eight when her dad took her to a driving range. She was the 2016 Dustin Johnson World Junior Champion. She will enter the University of Louisville in the fall. Today she defeated Abigail Wellens, Loveland, Ohio, 2 & 1.

Defending Champion Chakansim (Fai) Khamborn, Khon Kean, Thailand, defeated Danielle Nicholson, Geneva, Ohio, 4 & 3. Last year's Finalist, Florida State's Lydia Gumm, Radcliff, Kentucky, defeated Nadia Luttner, Port St. Lucie, Florida, 5 & 3. 2016 Semifinalist Molly Skapik, a University of Louisville Junior from Miamisburg, Ohio, lost to Hayley Harford, a student at Furman University from Leavittstown, Ohio, 3 & 1.

In other matches Abbey Carlson, Medalist from the 2 days of qualifying from St. Mary, Florida, lost her match to Danielle Lemek, Doniphan, Nebraska, a recent Bradley University graduate, on the 21st hole. Kaho Monica Matsubara, a San Diego resident who attends Northwestern University, defeated Hanna Lee, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1 up. 2014 Finalist Cammie Gray, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, defeated 2nd Seed Sierra Sims, Austin, Texas, 3 &1.

Tomorrow the play for all flights will commence starting at 7 AM. The Championship Flight will play a second afternoon round. The public is welcome to attend at no charge. For further information, please visit our website at www.WWGA.org.