

Women's Western Golf Association
89rd National Junior Championship
Hope Valley Country Club
Durham, North Carolina
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Two Players shoot 73 in the 1st Qualifying Round

Due to inclement weather, which hit the area over night, starting times for the 1st Qualifying Round in the WWGA's 89th National Junior Championship were delayed ½ hour. The grounds crew at Hope Valley Country Club were quick to get the course in good shape for the contestants. After play, the players commented how well the course had drained and how firm the greens were.

Among the low scores were 2 players at 73. Haeley Wotnosky, Wake Forest, North Carolina, is 15 years old and has been home schooled since Fifth Grade. She feels that being home schooled helps teach her how to manage her time while working hard on both her academics and her focus on golf. She was happy with her score today and thinks that Hope Valley's golf course is "gorgeous". This is the first time she has played in this event.

The other 73 was shot by Lilian Klekner-Alt, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Klekner-Alt, who prefers to be called "Lili", says that growing up "golf was the family sport". She is playing in this event for the 5th time. Along with her older sisters, she played her first event in 2011 where she played in 5th Flight. In 2012, she jumped to the 3rd Flight, and in 2013 played in the 1st Flight. Last year she won First Flight and if she plays tomorrow as well as she did today, she may well be on her way to being a high seed in Championship Flight.

Scores of 74 were turned in by Annika Bovender, Mount Pleasant, South Carolina, Tess Hackworthy, Madison, Wisconsin and Lauren Freyvogel, Gibsonia, Pennsylvania. Bovender is the Defending Champion of this event, which she won last year at Knollwood Country Club, Granger, Indiana. She will enter Furman University in the fall. Hackworthy's mother went to the University of Wisconsin and their family attended "a ton of" Badger sports events when Tess was growing up. Tess will follow family tradition and enter Wisconsin this fall. Freyvogel, one of two 13 year olds playing in the Championship, played in the 2014 USGA/PGA Drive, Chip & Putt Championship contested at Augusta National Golf Club, Augusta, Georgia. She will enter high school this fall.

Score of 75 were turned in by Emilia Migliaccio, Cary, North Carolina; Anna Buchanan, Athens, Georgia; Joliana Elias, Jamestown, North Carolina; Amelia Root, Jacksonville, Florida; and Nicole Cox, Empire, Michigan.

Other players from North Carolina include Isabella Rusher, Salisbury, 76; Madison Moosa, Charlotte, 80; Bryson Bowman, Summerfield, 84; Elizabeth Nguyen, Pinehurst, 85; Natalie Peterson, Holly Springs, 86; and Amy Wooten, Clinton, 87.

Weather permitting, the 2nd Qualifying Round will be played on Tuesday. After conclusion of play, the low 32 scores will qualify for Championship Flight. A Playoff may be necessary to decide the final places in the flight which will be played immediately after conclusion of the 2nd Round.

Wednesday starts the Match Play portion of the event.

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