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8 Players Move Into Quarterfinals n Championship Flight

Despite a brief rain delay, all scheduled matches were completed at the Women's Western Golf Association's 116th National Amateur Championship at Dayton Country Club in Dayton, Ohio. Those players in Championship Flight played two rounds while all the other flights played one round.

In the morning round, Haylee Harford defeated defending Champion Chakansim (Fai) Khamborn 1 up. Harford defeated last year's Semifinalist Molly Skapik in yesterday's match. Harford, a resident of Leavittsburg, Ohio, attends Furman University whose team made it to the Final 24 teams at the recent NCAA Women's Golf Division 1 Championship. She played in an AJGA tournament at the Furman University Golf Course when she was a Sophomore in High School and decided that Furman was where she wanted to play college golf. She won her state high school golf title twice, once as a Freshman, and once as a Senior and won the Ohio Women's Amateur Championship in 2015.

Meanwhile Lydia Gumm, the Finalist at the WWGA 2015 National Amateur Championship, defeated Kylie Raines, Dublin, Ohio, a student at the University of Indianapolis. Gumm, a Radcliff, Kentucky resident, plays for Florida State University and was named the 1st Team All Atlantic Coast Conference for 2015-2016. As a Junior golfer, she was named Miss Kentucky State Golfer 5 times. Gumm defeated Hayford on the 19th hole in the afternoon match. Gumm said that this was her most difficult match so far as she was 3 down after 5 holes but Gumm fought back to being all square after birdies on hole 11 and 12.

Tomorrow Gumm will face Mikhaela Fortuna, a 15 year from The Philippines. In other Championship flight matches, Sophia Schubert, Oak Ridge, Tennessee who attends the University of Texas, will face Texas A&M student Maddie Szeryk, who hails from London, Ontario, Canada. Jillian Hollis, Rocky River, Ohio, will face Grace St-Germain, Orleans, Ontario. Jill just completed her Freshman year at the University of Georgia which was granted the distinction as having the best Freshman Class by *Golfstat*. In the last match, Kelly Whaley, who hales from Farmington, Connecticut, and plays for the University of North Carolina, will play St. Augustine, Florida resident August Kim, who attends Purdue University.

In other flights, Oakwood player Ellie Cronin lost to Kelly Anderson, Wheaton, Illinois, on the 24th hole. Alyssa Burrirt, Dayton, defeated Kasey Nielsen, Kent, Ohio, 4 & 2. Madison Wolters, Centerville, lost her match to Jacqueline Setas, East Lansing, Michigan.

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.