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GOLFWORKS: THE YEAR IN REVIEW

The 2022 season saw continued growth for the MGA Foundation's signature GOLFWORKS student intern program. Throughout the Met Area, 183 students interned at 44 clubs and facilities, learning new skills and gaining experience in the workplace. A total of 66 of these interns were first-year participants in the program and worked in golf shops, on outside operations teams, with food and beverage departments, and in administrative roles. The MGA Foundation welcomed seven new clubs to the program, including Sleepy Hollow and Hollywood that supported the Ukrainian GOLFWORKS initiative.



"GOLFWORKS taught me responsibility and helped me set a good path for college."

-BEN CRUZ, BONNIE BRIAR

Through Ben's hard work on the golf operations and outside services staff, he earned a Westchester Golf Association Caddie Scholarship.



"I am grateful for this program and for Sleepy Hollow to allow me to work and have a place to stay. The job was always interesting and no day was the same."

-MARYNA YANKOVSKA, SLEEPY HOLLOW

Maryna was born in Ukraine; her summer job provided her a safe environment and allowed her to explore New York for the first time.

105TH MET JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP SPONSORED BY METLIFE

JOHN HILLER of New York City earned a redemptive victory at St. George's Golf and Country Club, winning by a 2-and-1 margin over Tyler Lee a year after finishing as runner-up. Hiller never saw the 18th hole in match play, and became the 12th player in Met Junior history to go from runner-up to champion the following year.



20TH CARTER CUP

CAMERON BESAW of New Canaan, Conn., left no doubt en route to his victory at Baltusrol Golf Club. Besaw's 8-under 64 final round on the famed Lower Course and two-round score of 8-under 136 broke respective records in Carter Cup history as Besaw cruised to a 10-shot victory.



Providing first-class competitive experiences to young players has been a part of MGA tradition since 1912.

54TH MGA/METLIFE BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP

It took 19 holes in the final match, but the wait was well worth it for **ARJUN CAPRIHAN** of Warren, N.J., as he captured the Boys Championship at historic Saint Andrew's Golf Club. Caprihan took down the top-seed in the match-play bracket, Liam Pasternak of Morristown, N.J., in extra holes with a birdie for the victory.



2022 JUNIOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR PRESENTED BY CALLAWAY

Congratulations to **TYLER LEE** of Franklin Lakes, N.J.! Lee recorded high finishes in the Met Junior and Carter Cup to secure the award.



Full junior championship coverage can be viewed on mgagolf.org.

MEET EIKOH HAYASHI,
the newest recipient of the JAY MOTTOLA SCHOLARSHIP



In the spring of 2022, **EIKOH HAYASHI** of Bronxville, N.Y., was named the second recipient of the Jay Mottola Scholarship. Hayashi, a former caddie at Westchester Country Club, is studying Commercial Aviation at the University of North Dakota. This summer, he was accepted into a highly-competitive internship program with Delta Airlines, which included observing the airline's operations in Japan.

"I am extremely honored and grateful to be the Jay Mottola Scholarship recipient," said Hayashi. "This opportunity is life-changing, and this scholarship will quite literally help me fly into the sky as a Commercial Aviation major."

Hayashi immigrated to the United States in 2015 from Japan. In high school, he was nationally ranked in tennis before he took up golf during his junior year. He led his golf team to States during his senior year and continues to work on his game during his free time.

"As a caddie I learned so much about interpersonal relationships, and many other values," said Hayashi. "I always enjoyed caddieing because it enabled me to meet someone new and connect with interesting individuals."

ABOUT THE JMS: The Jay Mottola Scholarship is a significant financial grant awarded to an outstanding caddie or young person who works in service to golf in the Met Area. This need-based award is available to exceptional graduating high school seniors from Long Island, New Jersey, and Westchester/Connecticut who are eligible under their local Caddie Scholarship Fund's criteria.

THE MGA125 CAMPAIGN - INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE -

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In celebration of its historic 125-year commitment to serving the Met Area golf community, the MGA and MGA Foundation are making a significant new commitment to ensuring the future of golf and all related services by investing now in expanded program development. With the support of the Met Area golf community, the MGA Foundation will be able to further strengthen its reach, increase entry points in the game for every sector of the population, and provide meaningful experiences through development and education, both on and off the golf course.

To learn more about the MGA125 Campaign and its impact on our charitable initiatives, please contact John Connolly, Campaign Director, at (631) 553-4528 or johnmgafoundation@gmail.com.

2022 AT A GLANCE THIS YEAR...

More than **200** new caddies were certified through **8** MGA Foundation Caddie Academies.

263 Westchester Golf Association and Long Island Caddie Scholars were awarded a total of **\$1,149,000** in scholarships for the 2022 - 2023 academic year.

3,500 discounted rounds were played by Youth On Course members throughout the Met Area as part of the MGAF's partnership with the national program.

2023 MGAF EVENTS

- Further details to come -

- May -
Day of Golf
Winged Foot

- August -
MGA CSF Pro-Am
Arcola

- October -
Carey Cup Am-Am
Winged Foot

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