



**International Junior Golf Tour (IJGT) Presents
IJGT at Bethpage State Park
Farmingdale, NY
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**KAUFMAN WINS FIELD WITH LOW BACK NINE
*AGOGLIA TAKES GIRLS DIVISION***

FARMINGDALE, NY – This week the International Junior Golf Tour’s (IJGT) event was held at the Bethpage State Park in Farmingdale, NY. The park was the host of the 2002 and 2009 U.S. Open on their famed Black Course. The IJGT competitors would test their skills on the Red Course, which showcased tight, tree lined fairways and undulating greens. On Saturday, the sun was shining and excellent course conditions made for superb play. Unfortunately, just as the 2009 U.S. Open at Bethpage was plagued with poor weather, the IJGT’s event would suffer the same fate. On Sunday, the competitors would learn that the tournament would have to be shortened to an 18-hole event, due to the course becoming unplayable because of the large amount of rain the course had sustained. However, no amount of rain could dampen the spirits of the talented, young junior golfers who cannot wait until their next event.

In the Boys 16-19 Division, Stuart Kaufman of Armonk, NY took the competition by shooting an impressive even par 70. Kaufman would play the front nine with a 1-over-par 36, but would post an impressive 1-under-par 34 on the back nine. His solid round included seven pars and a birdie on No. 12.

In a standalone second place finish was Christian Dolan of Islip, NY shooting a 71. Dolan, who is no stranger to the winner’s circle on the IJGT, had an impressive 1-under-par 34 on his back nine. Close on heels of Kaufman were golfers, Joseph Cooper of Wayland, MA, Eric Johnson of Manchester, CT, Westen Koorbusch of Darien, CT, Patrick Ross of Dunmore, PA, and Brian Tohir of New Canaan, CT who all posted 72’s in a five-way-tie for third place.

In the Boys 13-15 Division, Matthew Hirsh of Hewlett, NY, Erick Alonso of Hayworth, NJ and Nick Marotta of Monroe, NY found themselves tied atop the leader board after round one. Due to the shortened event, Matthew Hirsh would be declared the winner after the tie was broken by a USGA recommended scorecard playoff.

Hirsch had a strong round of 75 making birdies on Nos. 2, 12 and 18. He credits his win to his great tee shots, as well as his great putting. One of his defining moments on the course happened on the very first hole. After hitting his tee shot left, Hirsch feared his ball was lost. Fortunately, he was able to find it, punch it out and save bogey from the difficult position.



Hirsh had this to say about his victory, “I had good competitors in this tournament. The quick greens on this course helped out my putting, it helped me make birdie on three holes.”

Finishing in a tie for second place was Erick Alonso and Nick Marotta who both posted nines of 38 and 37.

Chris Yom of New Hyde Park, NY played well on Saturday to earn him the victory in the Boys U-12 Division. Yom, who carded a 77 on Saturday, had an impressive front nine recording a 36. He started the competition off on the right foot with a great drive on the opening hole, a well struck hybrid, a short chip and finally a birdie

putt that found the bottom of the cup. On the Par 3 No. 4, he fired his shot over the bunker to one foot to make par. Yom credits his win to playing the Red Course every day this summer, which goes to show that practice does make perfect.



Yom had this to say about his round, “I feel that I played well, I stayed relaxed, and stuck to my routine which contributed to the win.”

Hartej Gill of Monroe Township, NJ takes another IJGT second place finish with a round of 78. Rounding out the division for a third place tie was Robert Diforio of White Plains, NY and Willis Huynh of Syosset, NY with a round of 81.

In the Girls U-19 Division, Lisa Agoglia of Rockville Centre, NY and Julie Macdonell of Sayville, NY would also find themselves tied for first place before the rain shortened event after both posted an opening round 82. After yet another USGA recommended scorecard playoff, Agoglia would be crowned the Champion due to her impressive back nine of 39. She had a great par shot on the par 5 No. 16 that really kept her round going.



On her win, Agoglia had this to say, “I struggled on the front nine, but on the back nine I kept with it, and hit my shots well. Bethpage was an awesome course, which gave me a tough challenge.”

Taking second place in the Girls Division was Julie Macdonell with her solid round of 82 that included nines of 42 and 40 respectively on the very long 6136 yard Red Course. Rounding out the division was a tie for third place with Kristina Unger of Northport, NY and Jordan Fontini of Laurel Hollow, NY both posting nines of 44 and 42.

The IJGT belt buckle is awarded to the competitor who shoots the lowest final round. Our winners this week were: Stuart Kaufman (70), Matthew Hirsch (75), Chris Yeom (77), Lisa Agoglia (82), and Catherine McEvoy (93). We would like to congratulate all winners who competed this weekend.

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Title Sponsors include: GolfWorld, and the Hank Haney International Junior Golf Academy.

The IJGT was founded in 1995 for junior golfers ages 11-19. Its purpose is to provide aspiring collegiate players the opportunity to compete in a series of events against the highest quality U.S. and international competition.

This year’s schedule features almost 70 events at some of the finest courses in the U. S. as well as tournaments in Canada and Scotland.

Nearly 2000 junior golfers compete on the IJGT representing 45 states and over 30 countries. These young men and women will have the opportunity to participate in the national junior ranking system sponsored by Golfweek.

FARMINGDALE, NY —Final round results of the IJGT at Bethpage Golf Club conducted by the International Junior Golf Tour (IJGT). Red Course: Boys 16-19 Division: Blue Tees- 6671 yards, par 70, 71.1/123; Boys 13-15 Division: White Tees- 6435 yards 71.0/125, Par 70, Boys 12 & Under Division and Girls 19 & Under Division: Red Tees- 6136 yards, par 72, (Boys: 74.8/129 Girls:74.8/129).

Weather: Saturday: Sunny/Windy Temperatures in the low 50's
Sunday: Rain/ Round Canceled

Results:

Finish	Player	Grad	RD 1	RD 2	Total	To Par
1	Stuart Kaufman - Armonk, NY	2010	70	Canceled	70	E
2	Christian Dolan - Islip, NY	2010	71	Due To	71	1
3	Weston Koorbusch - Darien, CT	2011	72	Weather	72	2
3	Eric Johnson - Manchester, CT	2011	72		72	2
3	Joseph Cooper - Wayland, MA	2011	72		72	2
3	Brian Tohir - New Canaan, CT	2011	72		72	2
3	Patrick Ross - Dunmore, PA	2010	72		72	2
8	Xander McDonald-Smith - Rockaway Park, NY	2011	73		73	3
8	Justin Harris - Carlisle, MA	2010	73		73	3
8	Austin Zurlo - Bernardsville, NJ	2011	73		73	3
11	Animesh Hajela - Loudonville, NY	2010	74		74	4
11	Christopher McCree - Rye, NY	2010	74		74	4
11	Colby Lewis - Monroe, NY	2010	74		74	4
14	William Sorrentino - Medford, NY	2010	75		75	5
14	Luke Edelman - Mahwah, NJ	2012	75		75	5
16	James Buttermark - Staten Island, NY	2010	76		76	6
16	Kevin Burke - Elmira, NY	2009	76		76	6
16	Christopher Swift - New Canaan, CT	2011	76		76	6
16	Peter Scialabba - Oyster Bay, NY	2011	76		76	6
16	Dylan Murray - Westport, CT	2010	76		76	6
16	Jeff Evanier - Weston, CT	2010	76		76	6
16	John Yu - Freshmeadows, NY	2011	76		76	6
23	Patrick Heaney - Manhasset, NY	2011	77		77	7
23	Luke Denigris - Lloyd Harbor, NY	2011	77		77	7
23	Matthew Yun - Flushing, NY	2011	77		77	7
23	Ray Schuttenberg - Elmsford, NY	2012	77		77	7
27	Ryan Harris - Carlisle, MA	2012	78		78	8
27	Alex Geanakos - New Canaan, CT	2011	78		78	8
27	Michael DiTursi - Rye, NY	2012	78		78	8
27	Nicholas Capozzi - Port Washington, NY	2011	78		78	8
27	Bennett Linsky - Manhasset, NY	2011	78		78	8
27	Aaron Klimchuk - White Plains, NY	2010	78		78	8
33	Conor McGovern - Darien, CT	2011	79		79	9
33	Brian Allmendinger - East Islip, NY	2011	79		79	9
33	Graham Topol - Harrison, NY	2010	79		79	9
33	Paul Toohey - Yonkers, NY	2010	79		79	9
33	Ian Serko - Old Brookville, NY	2011	79		79	9
33	John Reali - Searingtown, NY	2011	79		79	9
39	Michael Galdi - Wyckoff, NJ	2012	80		80	10
39	Shawn Bennett - Sterling, MA	2010	80		80	10
39	Dak Spivey - Llyold Harbor, NY (HH IJGA)	2011	80		80	10
39	Brian Kang - Douglaston, NY	2010	80		80	10
43	David Kirk - Heathrow, FL (HH IJGA)	2010	81		81	11
44	Conor Colman - Mahwah, NJ	2010	82		82	12
44	William Smittle - Scarsdale, NY	2010	82		82	12
46	Conor Mahoney - Westport, CT	2011	83		83	13
46	Alex Navarro - Upper Saddle River, NJ	2010	83		83	13
46	Matthew Moers - Neponsit, NY	2011	83		83	13
46	John Midgette - Plainview, NY	2010	83		83	13
50	Jonathan Burns - Hatfield, PA	2010	84		84	14
51	Kevin Smyth - Old Tappan, NJ	2011	85		85	15

51	Ryan Sanders - East Islip, NY	2011	85	85	15
53	Kenny Oh - New Hyde Park, NY	2010	87	87	17
53	Tim Kearon - East Meadow, NY	2011	87	87	17
55	Ben Gershenov - Armonk, NY	2012	88	88	18
56	Richard Roman - Garden City, NY	2011	89	89	19

Boys 13-15 Division (White Tees)

*1	Matthew Hirsh - Hewlett, NY	2012	75	75	3
2	Nick Marotta - Monroe, NY	2012	75	75	3
2	Erick Alonso - Haworth, NJ	2014	75	75	3
4	Michael Giannico - Blue Point, NY	2012	77	77	5
4	Mark Paradise - Moscow, PA	2012	77	77	5
4	Anthony Berardo - Ardsley, NY	2012	77	77	5
4	Darren Chiu - Queens, NY	2011	77	77	5
8	Scott Kim - River Edge, NJ	2013	78	78	6
8	Theo Humphrey - Greenwich, CT	2014	78	78	6
10	Jacob Gurock - West Windsor, NJ	2014	79	79	7
11	Luke Koskopolis - Manhasset, NY	2012	80	80	8
11	Zach Stark - Livingston, NJ	2013	80	80	8
13	Christopher Gabriele - Cold Spring Harbor, NY	2014	82	82	10
14	John Farese - Sayville, NY	2012	83	83	11
15	Andrew Valente - Old Brookville, NY	2012	84	84	12
16	Cody Gross - Babylon, NY	2012	88	88	16
17	Ryan Smyth - Old Tappan, NJ	2012	92	92	20
18	Drew Benshoff - Concord, MA	2014	94	94	22
19	Jake Lown - Huntington, NY	2013	97	97	25
	John Hunter - Paramus, NJ	2013		WD Justified	

Boys U-12 Division (Red Tees)

1	Chris Yeom - New Hyde Park, NY	2015	77	77	5
2	Hartej Gill - Monroe Township, NJ	2015	78	78	6
3	Robert Diforio - White Plains, NY	2015	81	81	9
3	Willis Huynh - Syosset, NY	2014	81	81	9
5	Jake Reilly - Hershey, PA	2015	83	83	11
5	Vince Palazzolo - Colts Neck, NJ	2014	83	83	11
7	Matthew Lee-Tolley - New York, NY	2017	90	90	18
8	Michael Braunstein - Roslyn Heights, NY	2015	93	93	21
9	Lukas Clark - Holland, PA	2017	96	96	24
9	Addison Cilmi - North Salem, NY	2016	96	96	24
11	Ryan Skae - Old Tappan, NJ	2016	98	98	26
12	Jack Rosenberg - Laurel Hollow, NY	2016	103	103	31
12	William Rand - Irvington, NY	2017	103	103	31
14	Ryan Pitcher - Stony Brook, NY	2015	125	125	53
	Parker Sexton - Germantown, TN	2016		DQ Rule 6-3a	

Girls 15-19 Division (Red Tees)

*1	Lisa Agoglia - Rockville Centre, NY	2010	82	82	10
2	Julie Macdonell - Sayville, NY	2010	82	82	10
3	Jordan Fontini - Laurel Hollow, NY	2010	86	86	14
3	Kristina Unger - Northport, NY	2012	86	86	14
5	Marie Santacrocce - Mattituck, NY	2011	87	87	15
5	Michelle Peng - West Harrison, NY	2011	87	87	15
5	Tina Chang - Mineola, NY	2012	87	87	15
8	Michelle Rosenhouse - Dix Hills, NY	2010	88	88	16
9	Amanda Vogel - Rocky Point, NY	2011	89	89	17
10	Christina Paulsen - Ridgewood, NJ	2012	91	91	19
10	Kyra Louie - New York, NY	2012	91	91	19
12	Emily Garrahan - Coram, NY	2011	92	92	20

13	Catherine McEvoy - Riverside, CT	2016	93	93	21
14	Kristen Forlano - Babylon, NY	2012	103	103	31
	August Kim - Searingtown, NY	2013		WD-Justified	

*** Denotes scorecard playoff**