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## **YOUNG GOLFERS IMPRESS AT BEL AIRE TOURNAMENT**

WALL TOWNSHIP -- On Monday, August 30, 2010, 115 area children competed in the Monmouth County Park System Youth Golf Championship at Bel Aire Golf Course in Wall. This annual event drew many outstanding young players to the greens, several of whom demonstrated great skill under fire when two matches came down to the wire. One was in the Children's Division which lasted an extra hole; the other was in the Junior Division after a three-way tie--the competition continued for another 4 holes to determine first place!

The youngest golfers (Children's Division ages 7-9) competed on the 9-hole, par 27 course, while the older kids (Junior Division ages 10-12 and Senior Division ages 13-15) competed on the site's 18-hole executive, par 60 course. A number of the competitors shot in the 60s on the 18-hole course which is "very impressive," according to Alan Roberts, Manager of Golf Facilities for the Park System.

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## **Results & Highlights**

The Children's Division was decided by a par on the first playoff hole (9<sup>th</sup> hole) by Patrick Gotterup (44) over Kieran Kane (44). The third place finish went to Luke Arnone (46).

For the girls, Riddhi Singh (43) shot the lowest score overall in her age group among both boys and girls, and Emily Friend (67) took second place.

In the Junior Division, a three player tie resulted in another playoff, lasting 4 holes, and was won with a birdie by Bobby Weise (69) over Chris Gotterup (69). The third place finish went to Tylor Hechtle (69), who was last year's winner in the Children's Division. For the girls, first place went to Haley Mander (82), second place to Alisha Patel (91) and third place to Mary McCafferty (94).

In the Senior Division, it was a very tight finish for the boys. Dawson Jones shot an impressive par (60), edging out Robert Don (62) by two strokes for first place. The third place finish went to Max Lerner (63). For the girls, competitor Jessica Campbell scored a 74.



**PHOTO #1: This year's Golf Tourney at Bel Aire Golf Course in Wall on August 30, 2010 featured 115 young golfers...and some fierce competition . Here Bobby Weise of Freehold, who took 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Boys Junior Division (ages 10-12) shoots the first playoff hole after a three way tie as Patrick Gotterup of Little Silver, who won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Children's Division (ages 7-9) earlier, looks on.**



**PHOTO #2: On Monday August 30, 2010 the area's finest young golfers came out to Bel Aire Golf Course in Wall to test their tournament skills. Here, Riddhi Singh of Marlboro who won the Girl's Children's Division (ages 7-9) and who also shot the lowest score overall in her age group among both boys and girls, accepts her trophy.**

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## 2010 BEL-AIRE GOLF COURSE YOUTH TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### Children's Division, Ages 7-9 (par 27)

#### BOYS

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Patrick Gotterup, Little Silver (44)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Kiernan Kane, Howell (44)

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Luke Arnone, Rumson (46)

#### GIRLS

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Riddhe Singh, Marlboro (43)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Emily Friend, Allentown (67)

### Junior Division, Ages 10-12 (par 60)

#### BOYS

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Bobby Weise, Freehold (69)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Chris Gotterup, Little Silver (69)

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Taylor Hechtle, Millstone (69)

#### GIRLS

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Haley Mander, Holmdel (82)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Alisha Patel, Morganville (91)

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Mary McCafferty, Wall (94)

### Senior Division, Ages 13-15 (par 60)

#### BOYS

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Dawson Jones, Howell (60)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Robert Don, Howell (62)

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Max Lerner, Ocean (63)

#### GIRLS

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Jessica Campbell, Wall (74)

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