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**JASI ACHARYA & JESSE BULL**  
2023 MGA Women's Mid-Amateur Champion & Men's Mid-Amateur Champion

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# MGA Women's Mid-Amateur Championship

## LAST YEAR'S CHAMPIONSHIP

WACONIA, Minn. – Playing in her first state championship of the season, Jasi Acharya rolled in a 30-foot birdie putt on the second playoff hole at Island View Golf Club before chipping in for birdie on the third playoff hole to win her fifth consecutive Minnesota Golf Association Women's Mid-Amateur Championship.

Acharya joins Leigh Klasse as the only two players in tournament history to win five straight titles.

"It's an honor to be thought of in that way," Acharya said of matching Klasse's mark. "Overarching, it's been a lot of consistent golf. I think my mom told me a while ago that I'm a boring golfer because I just don't have a lot of highs or a lot of lows. That's probably what's allowed me to be in contention these last few years.

"It's so fun to come out and compete because I don't do it that much now. I love this event—it's one that I very much look forward to each year."

Acharya, a former three-time Montana State Women's Amateur champion, fired a 3-under 69 to open the championship and entered the final round with a two-stroke advantage over Ledwein and former University of Minnesota golfer Paige McCullough.

Continuing her steady play into the final round of play, Acharya carded nine consecutive pars to maintain a three-stroke advantage with nine holes to play.

With her eagle putt from 15 feet coming up just short at her 10th hole, Acharya tapped in to keep pace with Ledwein before taking her first big number of the championship, a double-bogey at the third to trim her lead to one.

Acharya hung on to a one-stroke advantage until her 17th hole where she missed the green left and was unable to get up-and-down for par, falling into a share of the lead walking to the final hole.

Pars by Acharya and Ledwein on their 18th forced a playoff, which was extended after Acharya sank a 10-footer for par before Ledwein sank hers from eight feet.

Ledwein watched Acharya drop a 30-foot bender at the second playoff hole before converting her birdie chance to keep her chances alive.

Acharya's approach on the third playoff hole came up short of the 18th green, but she would chip in for birdie, while Ledwein was unable to capitalize on her birdie chance from 20 feet.

Playing in her first MGA Women's Mid-Amateur Championship this week, the soon-to-be 26-year-old

Ledwein experienced a bit of déjà vu, falling to Acharya with a chip-in birdie.

At the very same course, and on the very same hole in 2021, Ledwein watched Sophia Yoemans chip in for birdie on the final hole of the MGA Women's Amateur Championship to force extra holes before downing Ledwein on the second playoff hole.

"I made an eight-foot putt to make it to a playoff, so being confident in that and trying not to get too down after falling like that twice in three years. I know my game is good enough to at least make the playoff, so I can build off that."

Ledwein fired a steady 1-under 71 to open the championship, carding a pair of birdies against one bogey to enter the final 18 holes two shots off the lead.

After taking an early bogey to begin her round, Ledwein countered by converting a birdie chance at the par-4 13th to draw even for the round.

Finding the water with her third at the 14th led to a double bogey, but Ledwein again battled back by sticking her approach close at the 15th, leaving a short birdie chance to get back to even par for the championship.

Taking advantage of the short par-5 first, Ledwein moved back into red figures for the tournament with a birdie, but gave back a stroke with a bogey at the seventh to drop to even.

McCullough, the 2017 champion, entered the final round two shots off the lead, and carded a final-round 77 to finish in third place at 4-over 148, while the three-time champion Herrick also posted a final-round 77 to place fourth at 7-over 151.



*Jasi Acharya, the 2023 MGA Women's Mid-Amateur champion, returns to defend her title at Chaska Town Course this year.*

## MGA Women's Mid-Amateur Championship History

2023	Island View GC <b>Jasi Acharya, Interlachen CC</b>	2009	Mankato GC <b>Alison Hurley, MN Valley CC</b>
2022	Indian Hills GC <b>Jasi Acharya, Interlachen CC</b>	2008	Pebble Creek GC <b>Leigh Klasse, Meadowbrook GC</b>
2021	Hastings GC <b>Jasi Acharya, Interlachen CC</b>	2007	Edina CC <b>Leigh Klasse, Meadowbrook GC</b>
2020	Northland CC <b>Jasi Acharya, Interlachen CC</b>	2006	Owatonna CC <b>Leigh Klasse, Meadowbrook GC</b>
2019	Bearpath G&CC <b>Jasi Acharya, Interlachen CC</b>	2005	Fox Hollow GC <b>Leigh Klasse, Meadowbrook GC</b>
2018	Legends Club <b>Olivia Herrick, Dellwood CC</b>	2004	Island View GC <b>Leigh Klasse, Meadowbrook GC</b>
2017	New Prague GC <b>Paige McCullough, Minneapolis GC</b>	2003	Dahlgreen GC <b>Claudia Pilot, Austin CC</b>
2016	Pebble Creek GC <b>Claudia Pilot, The Pines @ GVL</b>	2002	Cannon GC <b>Claudia Pilot, Austin CC</b>
2015	Bunker Hills GC <b>Olivia Herrick, Dellwood CC</b>	2001	Elk River CC <b>Claudia Pilot, Austin CC</b>
2014	Victory Links GC <b>Olivia Herrick, Dellwood CC</b>	2000	Izatys G&YC <b>Lynn Anderson, Baker Natl. GC</b>
2013	The Legacy at Cragun's <b>Claudia Pilot, Austin CC</b>	1999	Marshall GC <b>Brenda Williams, Island View GC</b>
2012	Brackett's Crossing CC <b>Kristen Wagner, Minneapolis GC</b>	1998	Braemar GC <b>Lynn Anderson, Baker Nat. GC</b>
2011	Elk River CC <b>Leigh Klasse, Meadowbrook GC</b>	1997	Fox Hollow GC <b>Kelly Burley, Elk River CC</b>
2010	Indian Hills GC <b>Amy Schintz, Lester Park GC</b>		

*Jasi Acharya,  
2023 MGA Women's  
Mid-Amateur  
champion*



# MGA Mid-Amateur Championship

## LAST YEAR'S CHAMPIONSHIP

WACONIA, Minn. – In only two appearances during the 2023 season, Jesse Bull qualified for the U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship by firing a 6-under 66 at Woodhill Country Club, and then advanced to the semifinal round of the Northland Invitational at Northland Country Club for the second time in three seasons—making it hard to fathom that he's been held winless for nearly seven years.

Bull fired a 6-under 66 during the second round of the 36th Minnesota Golf Association Mid-Amateur Championship at Chaska Town Course, and followed it with a final-round 70 at Island View Golf Club to earn a runaway victory for his first state title since 2016.

"It means a lot to get the first mid-am win. I've got the [MGA Amateur] but I've never won a mid-am, and that was on my mind a little bit."

Bull entered the final round with a two-stroke advantage over Jason Pendleton, pulling away late by carding three birdies during his back nine, including a 35-foot putt on the 54th hole to earn a four-stroke victory over Pendleton and Tony Krogen.

"I went into the round today thinking I didn't have a lead—just go out and play golf. My goal was to be 1-under on each side," Bull said. "You try to focus the best you can. It's me against the course, and I tried to not pay attention to what the other guys do or who's going low."

Bull birdied the first hole of the day to keep pace with Pendleton, but his lead would be trimmed to one following his bogey at the par-4 ninth.

Sticking his tee shot to six feet at the 11th, Bull got back on track by converting his birdie chance to move to even par for the round.

Bull chipped to a foot at the par-5 17th for a tap-in birdie to maintain a two-stroke advantage over Pendleton and Krogen before his birdie putt from 35 feet at the last found the bottom of the cup to close out the championship at 9-under 207, four shots clear of the field.

"That was the best putt of the week, maybe the year," Bull said of his final putt.

Playing in the final group for the third time in five seasons, Pendleton notched his best finish at the event since he placed fourth in 2017 at Southview Country Club.

Firing the tournament-low 7-under 65 during the second round at Island View, Pendleton began the final day of competition with a two-stroke deficit behind Bull, but failed

to capitalize on scoring chances following an early birdie during his round.

Even par through his first 16 holes, Pendleton two-putted for birdie at the par-5 17th to pull within two shots of the lead.

But an errant tee shot on the final hole led to a late bogey to put Pendleton in the clubhouse with a share of second at 5-under 211.

"I felt like I made a lot of good swings, but putts didn't go in and I got some bad breaks today," Pendleton said after his round. "I've been playing really well the last month, and I wanted to continue to make good aggressive swings.

"This is why I like to play in these events because I don't normally get to play some of these courses. You can appreciate playing two different courses and see if your game travels."

Entering the final 18 holes of play six shots off the lead, Tony Krogen quickly made up ground by carding an eagle on his opening hole to move to 3-under for the championship.

Rolling his birdie opportunity at the par-4 12th Krogen moved to within two shots of the lead at 4-under for the championship.

Krogen carded his second birdie of the round at the 15th to reach 5-under, but it was all the closer he would get as Bull pulled away late.

Thanks to a final-round 68, Krogen collected his best finish since he finished runner-up with partner Alex Klehr at the 2021 MGA Amateur Four-Ball Championship at Brackett's Crossing Country Club.

Max Tylke, the 2021 MGA Players' champion, fired a 3-under 69 during the final round to finish in a share of fourth with first-round co-leader Joel B. Johnson at 3-under 213.

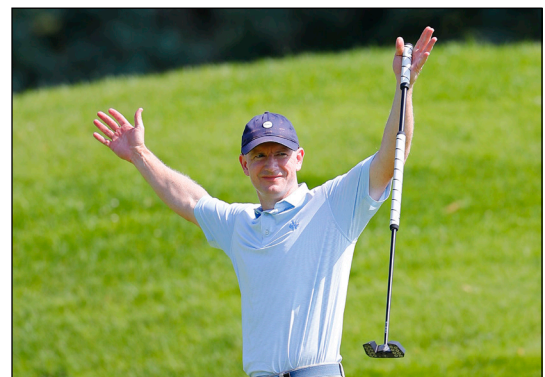
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## MGA Mid-Amateur Championship History

2023	Island View GC/Chaska TC <b>Jesse Bull, Golden Valley CC</b>
2022	Indian Hills GC/Forest Hills GC <b>Trent Peterson, Fountain Valley GC</b>
2021	Little Crow CC/Eagle Creek GC <b>Trent Peterson, Fountain Valley GC</b>
2020	Northland CC/Ridgeview CC <b>Trent Peterson, Fountain Valley GC</b>
2019	Bearpath G&CC/Montgomery National GC <b>Justin Burleson, Valleywood GC</b>
2018	Legends Club/Willingers GC <b>Trent Peterson, Valleywood GC</b>
2017	Southview CC/Dakota Pines GC <b>Trent Peterson, Valleywood GC</b>
2016	Medina G&CC/Baker National GC <b>Sammy Schmitz, StoneRidge GC</b>
2015	Somerby GC/Rochester G&CC <b>Joe McCormick, Crow River GC</b>
2014	Wild Marsh GC/Chaska TC <b>Troy Johnson, Medina G&amp;CC</b>
2013	Alexandria GC/Geneva GC <b>Josh Blackman, Mankato GC</b>
2012	Midland Hills GC/Town & Country Club <b>Sammy Schmitz, Valleywood GC</b>
2011	Dellwood Hills GC/Tanners Brook GC <b>Sammy Schmitz, Valleywood GC</b>
2010	Minneapolis GC/Burl Oaks GC <b>Troy Johnson, Rush Creek GC</b>
2009	Minnesota Valley CC/Montgomery GC <b>Tom Whaley, Minneapolis GC</b>
2008	Edina CC/Braemar GC <b>Adam Dooley, Albany GC</b>
2007	The Classic at Madden's/ Deacon's Lodge <b>Adam Dooley, Albany GC</b>
2006	Olympic Hills GC/Bent Creek GC <b>Todd Sinjem, Edinburgh USA</b>
2005	Rochester G&CC/Cannon GC <b>Josh Blackman, Mankato GC</b>
2004	Somerby GC <b>John Spreiter, Litchfield GC</b>
2003	Brackett's Crossing CC <b>James Lehman, Minneapolis GC</b>
2002	Interlaken GC

	<b>John Spreiter, Litchfield GC</b>
2001	Edina CC <b>Tony Brown, Wayzata CC</b>
2000	Minnesota Valley CC <b>Gary Jacobson, Rush Creek GC</b>
1999	St. Cloud CC <b>John Harris, Edina CC</b>
1998	Dellwood Hills GC <b>J.B. Lloyd, Southview CC</b>
1997	St. Cloud CC <b>Rick Ehrmantraut, Southview CC</b>
1996	Stillwater CC <b>John Spreiter, Litchfield GC</b>
1995	Olympic Hills GC <b>Joe Stansberry, Hiawatha GC</b>
1994	Northland CC <b>John Reichert, Interlachen CC</b>
1993	Edina CC <b>Joe Stansberry, Hiawatha GC</b>
1992	Wayzata CC <b>John Harris, Edina CC</b>
1991	Faribault G&CC <b>John Harris, Edina CC</b>
1990	Interlachen CC <b>John Harris, Edina CC</b>
1989	Dellwood Hills GC <b>Steve Johnson, Elk River CC</b>
1988	Edina CC <b>John Harris, Edina CC</b>



*Jesse Bull, 2023 MGA Mid-Amateur Champion*



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WOMEN'S MID-AMATEUR  
CHASKA TOWN COURSE

Hole	Yards	Par
1	374	4
2	330	4
3	269	4
4	100	3
5	331	4
6	146	3
7	495	5
8	295	4
9	461	5
<b>OUT</b>	<b>2,801</b>	<b>36</b>
10	379	4
11	336	4
12	132	3
13	297	4
14	120	3
15	472	5
16	299	4
17	310	4
18	430	5
<b>IN</b>	<b>2,775</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,576</b>	<b>72</b>

Course Rating & Slope: 73.6/129



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CHASKA TOWN COURSE

Hole	Yards	Par
1	396	4
2	350	4
3	170	3
4	515	5
5	513	5
6	405	4
7	397	4
8	192	3
9	375	4
<b>OUT</b>	<b>3,313</b>	<b>36</b>
10	386	4
11	501	5
12	158	3
13	417	4
14	541	5
15	131	3
16	351	4
17	389	4
18	394	4
<b>IN</b>	<b>3,268</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,581</b>	<b>72</b>

Course Rating & Slope: 72.8/135

Hole	Yards	Par
1	388	4
2	426	4
3	287	4
4	144	3
5	351	4
6	154	3
7	521	5
8	403	4
9	538	5
<b>OUT</b>	<b>3,212</b>	<b>36</b>
10	394	4
11	443	4
12	190	3
13	358	4
14	166	3
15	496	5
16	319	4
17	450	4
18	521	5
<b>IN</b>	<b>3,337</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,549</b>	<b>72</b>

Course Rating & Slope: 71.9/138

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