



Jean Pepper

Between 1934 and 1942 there was no one in the local women's game to compare to **Jean Pepper**. She dominated the Kansas City Women's Match Play Championship winning in 1934, '36 and '37, then winning three in-a-row from 1939-'41.



She was twice runner-up during those years, losing to Kansas City Golf Hall of Famers Opal Hill (4&2) in 1938 and Marian Gault (2&1) in 1942. Pepper had defeated Gault in the previous year's final match by a margin of 7&5.

In four of her championship runs, the final match became a battle of medalist vs. the number two seed to decide the title, including her take-down of Marian Gault in 1941.

Her 1939 championship contested at the old Blue Hills Country Club was decided by the unheard of margin of 13 & 12 over Mrs. L. M. Jacobsen.

Ms. Pepper, the spouse of the golf course superintendent at Oakwood, went on a run at the Missouri Women's Amateur as well, earning medalist honors in 1939 and '40 on her way to three consecutive championships from '39 to '41. The margins in her championship finals were 9&7, 5&4 and 3&2 respectively.

In recognition of her outstanding record in amateur golf in the Kansas City area, the Board of Directors is proud to honor Jean Pepper as a member of the 2018 class of the Kansas City Golf Hall of Fame.

Ms. Pepper's record:

Kansas City Women's Match Play Champion: 1934, 1936, 1937, 1939, 1940, 1941

Kansas City women's Match Play Runner-up: 1938, 1942

Missouri Amateur Champion: 1939, 1940, 1941