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News, Notes, Quotes & Anecdotes from the Local Golfing Community

Several junior golfers from Western New York recently competed in the ninth and final event of the ninth season of the Nike Winternational Junior Series of Golf in Pinehurst, North Carolina.

In the Junior/Senior Boy's Division, Nick Sortino of Rochester finished in a tie for fifth place, posting scores of 84-80 for a 164 total on the par-72 Pinehurst No. 5 course last weekend.

In the Freshman/Sophomore Boy's Division, Mike Schwert of Rochester shot 80-74 for a 154 total to finish in sole possession of second place.

At the conclusion of the season's final event on Sunday, the Nike Winternational Junior Series announced its year-end award winners, including its ninth annual Nike Junior All-American team. Thirteen high school boys and girls were awarded All-American status through their tournament results for the nine events. The point system is based on the four top finishes of each individual.

Among the 13 Nike All-Americans were two juniors from Western New York — Steven Goodridge of Attica and Schwert, of Rochester.

The Winternationals, a nine tournament series, has been based at Pinehurst since it's inception and conducts championships on all eight of Pinehurst's Championship layouts. Competition is held in three separate divisions, Junior/Senior Boys, Freshman/Sophomore Boys, and Girls.

The 10th Annual Nike Winternational Junior Series of Golf will begin in November 2003.