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PGA Hole-in-One Contest
Set for Labor Day

The fifth annual PGA national hole-in-one contest, in which more than 100,000 golfers compete each year, will be held on Labor Day, Sept. 4. Medallions, plaques and trophies will be awarded various winners with the length of hole determining the national champion. New emphasis will be put this year on participation by women players, according to Don Waryan, Wayzata, Minn., chmn. of the PGA hole-in-one committee.

The "contest" hole at each club must be 150 yards or longer and each player will be allowed to take an "official" shot at it during the course of his 9- or 18-hole round. A total of 32 acres has been recorded in the four years the event has been staged. Greatest participation in the contest came in 1957 when 850 clubs and 150,000 players took part.

The hole-in-one contest idea was originated by Leonard B. Schmutte, former national PGA vp and pro at the Findlay (O.) CC.

money . . . Or, maybe that monopoly should be enlarged to include Doug Sanders, who had captured three tournament victories in '61 through mid-July.

Dande Farms CC, 9-hole course near Akron, N. Y., put in play in July . . . At least a half dozen 9-hole courses are being built in central and western N. Y. . . . Joe Redanty and Peter Pattaccola hope to have their layout in Mendon finished this month . . . Redanty, pro at LeRoy CC, had a piece in Golfdom in June . . . Other N.Y. courses are going in at Shortsville, South Glen Falls, Dolgeville, Carthage and Barker . . . Among new private clubs under construction in N.Y. state is The Ledges G & CC that's going in at Fayetteville in the Syracuse district . . . Al DePorter, pro-supt. of Clifton Springs (N.Y.) CC, says 18-holes are being built there . . . Jim Alexander planning to convert his farm in Scottsville (near Rochester) to 18-hole semi-private . . . Also planned are 18-hole private club in Palmyra, N.Y. and additional 9 for Columbia CC in Hudson.

Rockland State Hospital, Orangeburg, N.Y., has 6 of 9 planned holes in play . . . Plattsburgh AFB hopes to have its 9-hole course ready late in the season . . . Several Par 3s also going in around the Buffalo-Rochester area, so a fellow doesn't have to