

Cazenovia Golf Club's Dennis Colligan withstood a final round charge from Jay Turcsik to win his fourth Central New York PGA Stroke Play Championship on July 16 at Skaneateles Country Club.

Colligan scored a one-stroke victory over Turcsik in the one-day 36-hole championship which was played in sweltering 90-degree heat. Colligan, who won the event in 2016, 2015 and 2013, cashed \$1,500 for first and Turcsik earned \$1,250 for second.

Colligan seized the first round lead after firing a 6-under-par 65 in the morning session and finished the event with a 5-under 137 overall total.

Turcsik made a strong run to catch Colligan in the afternoon session. He carded 4-under 67 in the final round en route to a 4-under 138 total. With Colligan finishing with all pars on the back nine, Turcsik stayed in striking distance with two holes to go.

After Turcsik carded a birdie on 16, his sixth of the round, Turcsik settled for a bogey on 17 then made par on 18 to come up one stroke short from forcing a playoff with Colligan.

Michelle Murphy (Skenandoa Club) and Sean Dadey (Drumlins Golf Club) finished tied for third, four shots back of Colligan at 141 overall.

Defending champion Michael Deuel of En-Joie Golf Club came in fifth (69-73—142).

Five players recorded eagles on the day with three coming on the 16th hole by Rick Frederick (Kanon Valley Country Club), 2014 champion Joe Norman (Elmira Country Club) and Colligan.

Dadey had an eagle on the second hole while Murphy carded one on the fifth hole.

The Stroke Play Championship, the second CNY PGA major, is an Omega Player of the Year double-point event as well as a Bradley's Jewelers Cup double point event. The tournament drew 23 players.