

10th USGA Men's State Team Championship Results

Sept. 19-21, 2012

Galloway National Golf Club, Galloway Township, N.J.

Par: 35-36-71 • Yardage: 6,932/6,963 • Entries: 52

| Position | | Rd. 1 | Rd. 2 | Rd. 3 | Total |
|----------|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1 | NEWYORK | 145 | 140 | 143 | 428 |
| | Michael Miller, Brewster | 72 | 69 | 68 | 209 |
| | Max Buckley, Rye | 73 | 71 | 75 | 219 |
| | Joseph Saladino, Huntington | 79 | 80 | 82 | 241 |
| 2 | IOWA | 144 | 142 | 148 | 434 |
| | Jon Olson, Ankeny | 70 | 75 | 73 | 218 |
| | Dennis Bull, Norwalk | 79 | 70 | 75 | 224 |
| | Gene Elliott, West Des Moines | 74 | 72 | 84 | 230 |
| 3 | TENNESSEE | 148 | 145 | 142 | 435 |
| | Craig Smith, Nashville | 75 | 76 | 70 | 221 |
| | Tim Jackson, Germantown | 73 | 77 | 72 | 222 |
| | Todd Burgan, Powell | 76 | 69 | 78 | 223 |
| 4 | PENNSYLVANIA | 144 | 144 | 148 | 436 |
| | Sean Knapp, Oakmont | 72 | 73 | 72 | 217 |
| | Nathan Smith, Pittsburgh | 72 | 71 | 76 | 219 |
| | Andrew Mason, Huntingdon Valley | 72 | 75 | 78 | 225 |
| 5 | GEORGIA | 145 | 145 | 147 | 437 |
| | Mark Strickland, Woodstock | 70 | 77 | 72 | 219 |
| | William Mitchell, Roswell | 77 | 69 | 75 | 221 |
| | David Noll Jr., Dalton | 75 | 76 | 78 | 229 |
| 6 | CALIFORNIA | 144 | 149 | 145 | 438 |
| | Andrew Biggadike, Belmont | 75 | 73 | 70 | 218 |
| | Paul Misko, Thousand Oaks | 70 | 79 | 75 | 224 |
| | John McClure, Los Angeles | 74 | 76 | 75 | 225 |
| 7 | FLORIDA | 148 | 145 | 147 | 440 |
| | Jon Veneziano, Mount Dora | 74 | 73 | 70 | 217 |
| | Joe Alfieri II, Lutz | 78 | 72 | 77 | 227 |
| | Don Bell, Port Orange | 74 | 78 | 79 | 231 |
| 8 | OHIO | 146 | 148 | 147 | 441 |
| | Bill Williamson, Cincinnati | 72 | 75 | 74 | 221 |
| | Robert Gerwin II, Cincinnati | 74 | 74 | 74 | 222 |
| | Jeffrey Scohy, Bellbrook | 84 | 74 | 73 | 231 |
| 9 | NORTH CAROLINA | 140 | 155 | 147 | 442 |
| | Bruce Woodall, Yanceyville | 69 | 82 | 72 | 223 |
| | Scott Harvey, Greensboro | 73 | 75 | 76 | 224 |
| | Paul Simson, Raleigh | 71 | 80 | 75 | 226 |
| 10 | MISSOURI | 145 | 148 | 150 | 443 |
| | Richard Berkmeier, Wildwood | 73 | 73 | 74 | 220 |
| | Brad Nurski, St. Joseph | 72 | 75 | 76 | 223 |
| | Nick Wilson, Columbia | 73 | 77 | 78 | 228 |

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| 11 | MICHIGAN | 148 | 148 | 148 | 444 |
| | Tom Werkmeister, Kentwood | 77 | 74 | 71 | 222 |
| | Drew Preston, Grand Rapids | 74 | 74 | 77 | 225 |
| | Brian Hayward, Grand Rapids | 74 | 77 | 79 | 230 |
| 12 | LOUISIANA | 145 | 150 | 150 | 445 |
| | Robby McWilliams, Bossier City | 76 | 74 | 74 | 224 |
| | Matt Nicholas, Lake Charles | 71 | 76 | 79 | 226 |
| | Patrick Christovich, New Orleans | 74 | 76 | 76 | 226 |
| T13 | SOUTH CAROLINA | 145 | 152 | 149 | 446 |
| | Todd White, Moore | 74 | 76 | 71 | 221 |
| | Steve Liebler, Irmo | 71 | 76 | 78 | 225 |
| | Josh Branyon, Honea Path | 82 | 82 | 81 | 245 |
| | WASHINGTON | 150 | 147 | 149 | 446 |
| | Mike Haack, Bellevue | 75 | 72 | 75 | 222 |
| | Sean Packer, Seattle | 78 | 76 | 74 | 228 |
| | Tom Brandes, Bellevue | 75 | 75 | 79 | 229 |
| 15 | VERMONT | 153 | 145 | 149 | 447 |
| | Mike Stackus, Barre | 78 | 72 | 72 | 222 |
| | Garren Poirier, Killington | 77 | 77 | 77 | 231 |
| | Devin Komline, Dorset | 76 | 73 | 84 | 233 |
| 16 | TEXAS | 154 | 150 | 147 | 451 |
| | Aaron Hickman, Tyler | 74 | 75 | 74 | 223 |
| | Clarke Kincaid, Trophy Club | 80 | 75 | 73 | 228 |
| | Lucas Boyd, Plano | 80 | 86 | 79 | 245 |
| T17 | RHODE ISLAND | 148 | 157 | 148 | 453 |
| | Bobby Leopold, Coventry | 75 | 77 | 75 | 227 |
| | Brad Valois, Warwick | 73 | 82 | 73 | 228 |
| | Charlie Blanchard, North Providence | 78 | 80 | 76 | 234 |
| | WISCONSIN | 150 | 149 | 154 | 453 |
| | Max Hosking, Madison | 74 | 73 | 78 | 225 |
| | Bob Gregorski, Menasha | 76 | 76 | 78 | 230 |
| | Sam Frank, Madison | 79 | 85 | 76 | 240 |
| 19 | NEW HAMPSHIRE | 150 | 156 | 148 | 454 |
| | Joshua Chamberlain, Amherst | 75 | 79 | 76 | 230 |
| | Ryan Kohler, Spofford | 77 | 82 | 72 | 231 |
| | D.J. Lantz, New London | 75 | 77 | 83 | 235 |
| 20 | COLORADO | 155 | 146 | 155 | 456 |
| | Jon Lindstrom, Broomfield | 77 | 73 | 80 | 230 |
| | Michael Harrington, Colorado Springs | 78 | 79 | 75 | 232 |
| | Brian Dorfman, Greenwood Village | 78 | 73 | 81 | 232 |
| T21 | ARIZONA | 154 | 146 | 157 | 457 |
| | Adam Walicki, Phoenix | 77 | 73 | 75 | 225 |
| | Trey Martin, Scottsdale | 81 | 73 | 82 | 236 |
| | Andy Aduddell, Avondale | 77 | 79 | 82 | 238 |
| | INDIANA | 147 | 153 | 157 | 457 |
| | Kenny Cook, Noblesville | 73 | 77 | 76 | 226 |
| | Bob Stephens, Indianapolis | 74 | 78 | 81 | 233 |
| | Todd Palmer, Fishers | 78 | 76 | 84 | 238 |
| | OREGON | 153 | 149 | 155 | 457 |
| | Scott Hval, Portland | 78 | 73 | 75 | 226 |
| | Tyler Simpson, Happy Valley | 75 | 76 | 80 | 231 |
| | Bill Winter, Portland | 78 | 79 | WD | NS |

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| T24 | MARYLAND | 152 | 151 | 155 | 458 |
| | Michael Mulieri, Silver Spring | 76 | 77 | 78 | 231 |
| | Mark Cusic, California | 79 | 74 | 79 | 232 |
| | Serge Hogg, Baltimore | 76 | 80 | 77 | 233 |
| | MINNESOTA | 154 | 152 | 152 | 458 |
| | Matt Schneider, Cohasset | 77 | 76 | 75 | 228 |
| | Andy Jacobson, Willmar | 77 | 76 | 79 | 232 |
| | Jesse Larson, Shakopee | 84 | 79 | 77 | 240 |
| | VIRGINIA | 152 | 152 | 154 | 458 |
| | Keith Decker, Martinsville | 76 | 75 | 80 | 231 |
| | Buck Brittain, Tazewell | 78 | 77 | 79 | 234 |
| | Scott Shingler, Haymarket | 76 | 87 | 75 | 238 |
| T27 | CONNECTICUT | 148 | 152 | 159 | 459 |
| | Matt Smith, Thompson | 74 | 75 | 80 | 229 |
| | Jeffrey Hatten, Farmington | 74 | 77 | 79 | 230 |
| | Brian Ahern, West Hartford | 80 | 77 | 80 | 237 |
| | ILLINOIS | 153 | 153 | 153 | 459 |
| | Todd Mitchell, Bloomington | 82 | 71 | 75 | 228 |
| | Dave Ryan, Taylorville | 73 | 82 | 78 | 233 |
| | Andy Mickelson, Lockport | 80 | 83 | 80 | 243 |
| | NEBRASKA | 156 | 155 | 148 | 459 |
| | Rylee Reinertson, Gibbon | 77 | 80 | 71 | 228 |
| | Ryan Nietfeldt, Elkhorn | 79 | 78 | 77 | 234 |
| | John Sajevic, Fremont | 80 | 77 | 82 | 239 |
| T30 | ALASKA | 153 | 150 | 157 | 460 |
| | Adam Baxter, Fairbanks | 77 | 71 | 78 | 226 |
| | Kevin Daniels, Anchorage | 76 | 79 | 84 | 239 |
| | Paul Blanche, Anchorage | 95 | 86 | 79 | 260 |
| | OKLAHOMA | 149 | 156 | 155 | 460 |
| | Jeff Coffman, Oklahoma City | 73 | 75 | 74 | 222 |
| | Michael Hughett, Owasso | 76 | 81 | 81 | 238 |
| | William J. Lavender, Oklahoma City | 80 | 82 | 87 | 249 |
| | NEW JERSEY | 156 | 148 | 157 | 461 |
| | Brian Komline, Bridgewater | 76 | 73 | 80 | 229 |
| | Mike Stamberger, Brielle | 80 | 75 | 79 | 234 |
| | Niall Handley, West Caldwell | 81 | 76 | 78 | 235 |
| T33 | MASSACHUSETTS | 156 | 154 | 152 | 462 |
| | Brian Higgins, Bellingham | 78 | 77 | 77 | 232 |
| | Doug Clapp, Walpole | 78 | 79 | 75 | 232 |
| | Herbie Aikens, Kingston | 83 | 77 | 79 | 239 |
| | MISSISSIPPI | 160 | 148 | 154 | 462 |
| | Eddie Brescher, Jackson | 79 | 75 | 78 | 232 |
| | Clay Homan, Starkville | 83 | 73 | 79 | 235 |
| | Alex Rowland, Houston | 81 | 79 | 76 | 236 |
| | KENTUCKY | 154 | 150 | 159 | 463 |
| | Tyler Sharpe, Greensburg | 79 | 73 | 78 | 230 |
| | Davis Boland, Louisville | 75 | 77 | 81 | 233 |
| | Joshua Rhodes, Paducah | 87 | 80 | 82 | 249 |
| T36 | UTAH | 154 | 153 | 157 | 464 |
| | Dan Horner, Sandy | 74 | 76 | 79 | 229 |
| | Jeff Jolley, South Jordan | 84 | 77 | 78 | 239 |
| | Jon Wright, Sandy | 80 | 86 | 86 | 252 |

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| | WEST VIRGINIA | 150 | 158 | 156 | 464 |
| | Patrick Carter, Huntington | 76 | 78 | 74 | 228 |
| | Sam O'Dell, Hurricane | 74 | 80 | 82 | 236 |
| | Bruce Wetherholt, Barboursville | 80 | 82 | 83 | 245 |
| T38 | DELAWARE | 152 | 165 | 149 | 466 |
| | Greg Wolfe, Newark | 77 | 81 | 72 | 230 |
| | Chase Brockstedt, Rehoboth Beach | 75 | 84 | 81 | 240 |
| | Simon Hagger, Hockessin | 86 | 86 | 77 | 249 |
| | KANSAS | 153 | 159 | 154 | 466 |
| | Kit Grove, Lawrence | 76 | 79 | 77 | 232 |
| | Jack Courington, Wichita | 77 | 80 | 77 | 234 |
| | Zac Burton, Manhattan | 79 | 80 | 78 | 237 |
| | WYOMING | 158 | 154 | 154 | 466 |
| | Todd Griffin, Rock Springs | 78 | 74 | 77 | 229 |
| | John Hornbeck, Saratoga | 80 | 80 | 83 | 243 |
| | Todd Van Rensselaer, Douglas | 81 | 87 | 77 | 245 |
| T41 | DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | 159 | 155 | 153 | 467 |
| | Frank Alafoginis, Washington | 78 | 80 | 75 | 233 |
| | Rich Sobonya, Washington | 81 | 75 | 83 | 239 |
| | Mychael Cohn, Washington | 86 | 88 | 78 | 252 |
| | NEVADA | 161 | 154 | 152 | 467 |
| | Brady Exber, Las Vegas | 78 | 75 | 79 | 232 |
| | David Nelson, Reno | 83 | 79 | 73 | 235 |
| | Ryan Mitchell, Incline Village | 90 | 84 | 84 | 258 |
| 43 | ALABAMA | 157 | 151 | 160 | 468 |
| | Victor Kyatt III, Hoover | 75 | 87 | 79 | 241 |
| | Andy McRae, Hoover | 87 | 75 | 81 | 243 |
| | Lew Mitchell, Troy | 82 | 76 | DQ | NS |
| 44 | MONTANA | 156 | 152 | 161 | 469 |
| | Ben Leestma, Great Falls | 77 | 75 | 85 | 237 |
| | Jerry Pearsall, Billings | 80 | 77 | 80 | 237 |
| | Nathan Bailey, Laurel | 79 | 80 | 81 | 240 |
| 45 | NEW MEXICO | 153 | 159 | 158 | 470 |
| | Sam Saunders, Albuquerque | 76 | 79 | 76 | 231 |
| | Justin Knauber, Albuquerque | 77 | 80 | 86 | 243 |
| | Anton Salome, Socorro | 79 | 83 | 82 | 244 |
| 46 | ARKANSAS | 153 | 158 | 161 | 472 |
| | Joey Nichols, Little Rock | 77 | 76 | 78 | 231 |
| | Chris Jenkins, Little Rock | 78 | 83 | 83 | 244 |
| | Wes McNulty, White Hall | 76 | 82 | WD | NS |
| 47 | NORTH DAKOTA | 163 | 155 | 159 | 477 |
| | Josh Bergrud, Grand Forks | 79 | 80 | 78 | 237 |
| | Tim Skarperud, Grand Forks | 84 | 75 | 84 | 243 |
| | Chad Skarperud, Fargo | 84 | 90 | 81 | 255 |
| 48 | IDAHO | 161 | 160 | 158 | 479 |
| | Darren Kuhn, Pocatello | 82 | 81 | 77 | 240 |
| | Everett Crimes, Nampa | 79 | 84 | 81 | 244 |
| | Todd Points, Star | 83 | 79 | 89 | 251 |
| T49 | HAWAII | 176 | 165 | 162 | 503 |
| | Eric Le, Aiea | 89 | 82 | 78 | 249 |
| | Carl Ho, Honolulu | 87 | 88 | 84 | 259 |
| | Kenji Miyata, Kapaa | 93 | 83 | 89 | 265 |

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| | PUERTO RICO | 168 | 168 | 167 | 503 |
| | Raul Rivera, Toa Baja | 79 | 84 | 78 | 241 |
| | Daniel Caban, Cabo Rojo | 89 | 84 | 90 | 263 |
| | Roberto Fabelo, San Juan | 90 | 86 | 89 | 265 |
| 51 | SOUTH DAKOTA | 172 | 170 | 170 | 512 |
| | Brandon Sigmund, Mitchell | 84 | 84 | 88 | 256 |
| | Ben Irlbeck, Sioux Falls | 88 | 86 | 85 | 259 |
| | Chris Long, Garretson | 88 | 92 | 85 | 265 |
| 52 | MAINE | 152 | 152 | WD | WD |
| | Ricky Jones, Thomaston | 77 | 73 | 75 | 225 |
| | Jason Gall, Augusta | 75 | 79 | WD | NS |
| | Mark Plummer, Manchester | 92 | 85 | WD | NS |

Championship History

The USGA Men's State Team Championship, as well as the Women's State Team Championship, grew out of the Association's centennial celebration in 1995. It was decided that a new championship, one in which each state could be represented by non-collegiate, amateur golfers, was a good way to cap the USGA's year-long celebration. The State Team Championship proved such a success that it has returned every two years.

The championship was fashioned after the biennial World Amateur Team Championships. Each state was invited to send three players; 46 states and Puerto Rico sent teams to compete at Lake Nona Golf Club in Orlando, Fla., in 1995, and 50 states and Puerto Rico sent teams to compete at SunRidge Canyon Golf Club in Fountain Hills, Ariz., in 1997. From 2001 to 2007 and in 2010 and 2012, 52 teams — all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia — participated.

State associations were given the option to choose their teams by any method. College players, however, were ineligible due to NCAA bylaws. Under current NCAA rules, a player may only participate in an international team match when that team is sponsored by the national governing body, such as in the Walker Cup Match. Otherwise, the player is faced with being declared ineligible for the remainder of the season of the infraction, as well as the following season.

Some states chose their players by a point system. Some selected the top finishers from their state championships or conducted qualifying tournaments. Other states empanelled selection committees that sifted through the year's results.

The first Men's State Team Championship, conducted Oct. 26–28, 1995, gave a decided advantage to Southern teams as it came beyond the competitive season for many states. The South Dakota team, for example, had left home with six inches of snow on the ground, and the Alaskans had not played since mid-September.

Based on the original World Amateur Team format, in which each team fields four players, with only the best three scores counted each of three rounds, Virginia prevailed in the inaugural championship. Minnesota, with nationally decorated amateur John Harris leading the way, won the 1997 event with a cumulative score of 416, 10 under par.

The lone individual prize is a bronze medal to the low scorer, but it is important that many of the best amateurs in the country have supported these early championships. In 1997, four members of that year's USA Walker Cup Team played, including Harris, and many USGA champions have represented their home state.