

29th U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship

Qual. Score	1st Round Tuesday, Oct. 6	2nd Round Tuesday, Oct. 6	3rd Round Wednesday, Oct. 7	Quarterfinal Round Wednesday, Oct. 7	Semifinal Round Thursday, Oct. 8
(68-72) Michael McCoy, West Des Moines, Iowa		McCoy			
(74-76) Robert Crockett II, Louisville, Ky.		4 and 3			
(78-69) Keith Decker, Martinsville, Va.		Hanson			
(75-72) Erik Hanson, Kirkland, Wash.		19 holes			
(71-74) Steven Irwin, Golden, Colo.		Fisher			
(76-72) Lloyd Fisher, Grand Rapids, Mich.		1 up			
(75-70) Todd Burgan, Knoxville, Tenn.		Burgan			
(74-74) Michael Karger, Cortlandt Manor, N.Y.		20 holes			
(71-73) Patrick Carter, Huntington, W.Va.		Carter			
(78-71) Michael Brown, Cheltenham, Pa.		7 and 6			
(72-74) Tyler Shelton, Fairway, Kan.		Rice			
(75-72) Andrew Rice, Baltimore, Md.		1 up			
(74-70) Randal Lewis, Alma, Mich.		Lewis			
(78-71) Mike Cobb, Summerville, S.C.		5 and 4			
(76-70) Joseph Saladino, New York, N.Y.		Atkinson			
(75-72) Bert Atkinson, Charleston, S.C.		6 and 5			
(68-73) Derek Berg, Duval, Wash.		Berg			
(75-74) Johnny Canova, Rockford, Ill.		5 and 4			
(73-73) Tim Spitz, Rochester, N.Y.		Spitz			
(74-73) Kevin Marsh, Henderson, Nev.		1 up			
(71-73) Chad Sawyer, West Linn, Ore.		Sawyer			
(78-73) Jeff Frazier, Mechanicsburg, Pa.		1 up			
(73-72) Jon Lindstrom, Denver, Colo.		Germaine			
(71-77) Danny Germaine, Palm Bch Gardens, Fla.		2 up			
(71-71) Tripp Davis, Norman, Okla.		Davis			
(75-74) Freeman Fite, Anniston, Ala.		5 and 4			
(74-72) Craig Cyr, Concord, N.H.		Cyr			
(73-74) Kory Bowman, Springfield, Mo.		3 and 2			
(68-76) Taylor Massey, Richmond, Va.		Wornack			
(74-75) Dave Wornack, McDonough, Ga.		2 and 1			
(75-70) Andrew Medley, Scottsdale, Ariz.		Medley			
(71-77) Nicholas Biesecker, Staunton, Va.		1 up			

Cassique

Par: 36-36-72

Yardage: 6,964

**Second course:
The River Course**

Par: 36-35-71

Yardage: 6,908

Entries: 4,188

Spitz
3 and 2

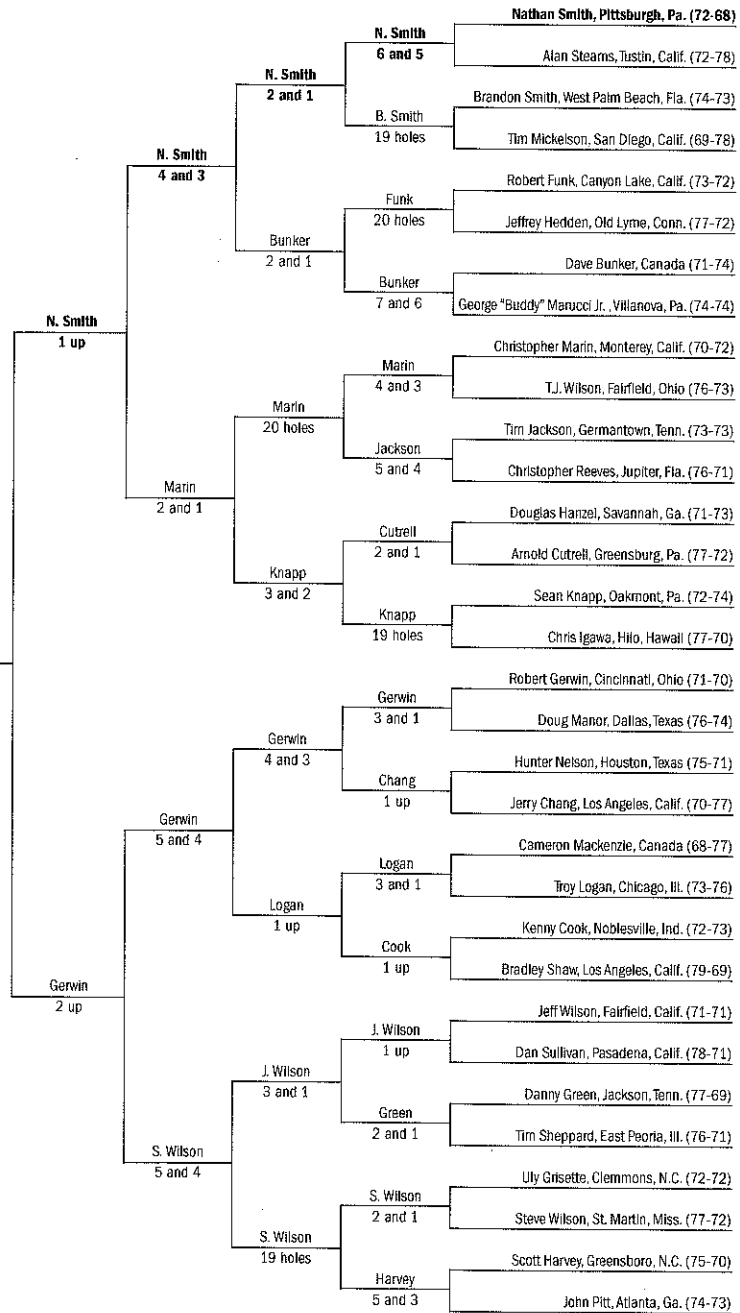
Spitz
20 holes

FINAL
Friday, Oct. 9
Nathan Smith
def.
Tim Spitz,
7 and 6

Mid-Amateur

Oct. 3-9, 2009, The Kiawah Island (S.C.) Club (Cassique)

Semifinal Round Thursday, Oct. 8 Quarterfinal Round Wednesday, Oct. 7 3rd Round Wednesday, Oct. 7 2nd Round Tuesday, Oct. 6 1st Round Tuesday, Oct. 6 Qual. Score



Complete Stroke-Play Results

- 140 Michael McCoy, West Des Moines, Iowa, 68c-72r; Nathan Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa., 72r-68c
 141 Derek Berg, Duval, Wash., 68r-73c; Robert Gerwin, Cincinnati, Ohio, 71c-70r
 142 Christopher Marin, Monterey, Calif., 70r-72c; Jeff Wilson, Fairfield, Calif., 71c-71r; Tripp Davis, Norman, Okla., 71c-71r
 144 Chad Sawyer, West Linn, Ore., 71r-73c; Douglas Hanzel, Savannah, Ga., 71c-73r; Patrick Carter, Huntington, W.Va., 71c-73r; Randal Lewis, Alma, Mich., 74c-70r; Taylor Massey, Richmond, Va., 68r-76c; Uly Grissette, Clemmons, N.C., 72c-72r
 145 Andrew Medley, Scottsdale, Ariz., 75r-70c; Cameron MacKenzie, Canada, 68c-77r; Dave Bunker, Canada, 71r-74c; Jon Lindstrom, Denver, Colo., 73r-72c; Kenny Cook, Noblesville, Ind., 72r-73c; Robert Funk, Canyon Lake, Calif., 73c-72r; Scott Harvey, Greensboro, N.C., 75r-70c; Steven Irwin, Golden, Colo., 71c-74r; Todd Burgan, Knoxville, Tenn., 75c-70r
 146 Craig Cyr, Concord, N.H., 74r-72c; Danny Green, Jackson, Tenn., 77r-69c; Hunter Nelson, Houston, Texas, 75r-71c; Joseph Saladino, New York, N.Y., 76c-70r; Sean Knapp, Oakmont, Pa., 72c-74r; Tim Jackson, Germantown, Tenn., 73r-73c; Tim Spitz, Rochester, N.Y., 73r-73c; Tyler Shelton, Fairway, Kan., 72c-74r
 147 Andrew Rice, Baltimore, Md., 75r-72c; Bert Atkinson, Charleston, S.C., 75r-72c; Brandon Smith, West Palm Beach, Fla., 74c-73r; Chris Igawa, Hilo, Hawaii, 77r-70c; Christopher Reeves, Jupiter, Fla., 76r-71c; Erik Hanson, Kirkland, Wash., 75c-72r; Jerry Chang, Los Angeles, Calif., 70c-77r; John Pitt, Atlanta, Ga., 74r-73c; Keith Decker, Martinsville, Va., 78c-69r; Kevin Marsh, Henderson, Nev., 74c-73r; Kory Bowman, Springfield, Mo., 73c-74r; Tim Mickelson, San Diego, Calif., 69c-78r; Tim Sheppard, East Peoria, Ill., 76r-71c
 148 Bradley Shaw, Los Angeles, Calif., 79r-69c; Danny Germaine, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., 71c-77r; George "Buddy" Marucci Jr., Villanova, Pa., 74r-74c; Lloyd Fisher, Grand Rapids, Mich., 76r-72c; Michael Karger, Cortlandt Manor, N.Y., 74r-74c; Nicholas Biesecker, Staunton, Va., 71c-77r
 149 Arnold Cutrell, Greensburg, Pa., 77c-72r; Dan Sullivan, Pasadena, Calif., 78r-71c; Dave Womack, McDonough, Ga., 74c-75r; Freeman Fite, Anniston, Ala., 75r-74c; Jeff Frazier, Mechanicsburg, Pa., 76c-73r; Jeffrey Hedden, Old Lyme, Conn., 77c-72r; Johnny Canova, Rockford, Ill., 75r-74c; Michael Brown, Cheltenham, Pa., 78r-71c; Mike Cobb, Summerville, S.C., 78c-71r; Steve Wilson, St. Martin, Miss., 77c-72r; T.J. Wilson, Fairfield, Ohio, 76r-73c; Troy Logan, Chicago, Ill., 73c-76r
 150 *Alan Stearns, Tustin, Calif., 72r-77c (4); *Doug Manor, Dallas, Texas, 76r-74c (4); Robert Crockett II, Louisville, Ky., 74c-76r (4)

* = In playoff; c = Cassique; r = The River Course

Failed to Qualify

- 150 *Herbie Aikens, Pembroke, Mass., 71c-79r (X); *Mike Damron, Pikeville, Ky., 70c-80r (5); *Mike Puls, Irving, Texas, 75r-75c (8); P. Michael Natale, Indian Head Park, Ill., 75c-75r (5); Andrew D'Amico, Duxbury, Mass., 77r-73c (6); Bill Williamson, Cincinnati, Ohio, 78r-72c (5)
 151 Chris Williams, Carmel, Ind., 75c-76r; Don Walsworth, Leawood, Kan., 75r-76c; J.J. Wall, San Antonio, Texas, 76c-75r; R.J. Nakashima, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., 75c-76r; Rob Couture, Dallas, Texas, 74c-77r; Robbie Cotten, Brewton, Ala., 82r-69c; Scott Hardy, Pleasant Hill, Calif., 78r-73c; Stephen Summers, Dallas, Texas, 78r-73c; T.J. Brudzinski, Columbus, Ohio, 75c-76r; William Nisbet, Pawleys Island, S.C., 76r-75c
 152 Curtis Skinner, Lake Bluff, Ill., 71c-81r; Daniel Berger, New Orleans, La., 74c-78r; Garrett Morrison, Orlando, Fla., 76c-76r; George Zahringer, New York, N.Y., 74c-78r; John Bearrie, Arlington, Texas, 78c-74r; John Lindholm, Grand Blanc, Mich., 71c-81r; Kris Mikkelsen, Atlanta, Ga., 76c-78r; Mark Austry, Argyle, Texas, 71c-81r; Matthew Sughrie, Alexandria, Va., 77r-75c; Michael Kelley, Westerville, Ohio, 75c-77r; Michael Wog, Sumner, Wash., 77r-75c; Todd Mitchell, Bloomington, Ill., 73r-79c; Tommy Clement, Mobile, Ala., 76c-76r; Tony Behrstock, Los Angeles, Calif., 73c-79r
 153 Alan Clark, Kilgore, Texas, 76c-77r; Andrew Price, Denver, N.C., 73c-80r; Coleman Tidwell Jr., Macon, Ga., 76r-77c; David Brown, Pittsburgh, Pa., 73r-80c; Jimmy Chestnut, Grand Blanc, Mich., 75c-78r; Jordan Byrd, Clemson, S.C., 77r-76c; Keith Holmes, Macon, Ga., 81c-72r; Mark C. Miller, West Covina, Calif., 78r-75c; Michael Slaven, Chicago, Ill., 75c-78r; Robert Godfrey, Seneca, S.C., 74c-79r; Ronald Kilby, McAllen, Texas, 73c-80r; Terry Cook, Johnston, Iowa, 76c-77r
 154 Brooks Snyder, Catlin, Ill., 74c-80r; Erin McDonald, Memphis, Tenn., 77c-77r; Grady Brame, Hammond, La., 80r-74c; Harold Wyatt, Atlanta, Ga., 77r-77c; Harry Rudolph III, La Jolla, Calif., 79r-75c; Kelly Garland, North Plains, Ore., 78r-76c; Matt Moociah, Cedar Park, Texas, 74c-80r; Packard DeWitt, Germantown, Tenn., 75r-79c; Paul Welle, Albany, Minn., 79c-75r; Ron Killmer, Bakersfield, Calif., 77r-77c; Scott Hval, Portland, Ore., 73c-81r; Scott Stevens, Cardiff-By-the-Sea, Calif., 80r-74c; Steve Harwell, Mooresville, N.C., 77r-77c
 155 Aaron Grissom, Hot Springs, Ark., 73c-82r; Bill Zylstra, Plymouth, Mich., 80c-75r; Brian Cspikes, Omaha, Neb., 73c-82r; Brian Kennedy, St. Louis, Mo., 79r-76c; Dennis Postlewait, Orlando, Fla., 73r-82c; Giles Kibbe, Beaumont, Texas, 80c-75r; Jack Ferraro, Manassas, Va., 76c-79r; Jeff Fowler, Chico, Calif., 81r-74c; Joe Sanders, Incline Village, Nev., 75c-80r; John Vaccaro, Menands, N.Y., 77c-78r; Keith Grant, Jersey City, N.J., 79r-76c; Ken Stevenson, Tallahassee, Fla., 79r-76c; Lewis Stephenson, Mansfield, Texas, 75c-80r; Matthew Horwitch, Highland Park, Ill., 75c-80r; Michael Holloway, Wichita, Kan., 75r-80c; Michael Stamberger, Plainfield, N.J., 76r-79c; Patrick Tallent, Vienna, Va., 74r-81c; Ryan Chin, Canada, 79c-76r; T.J. Stuart, Coral Springs, Fla., 83r-72c; Tre Sheppard, Mount Pleasant, S.C., 74r-81c
 156 Ben Moody, Atlanta, Ga., 77r-79c; Blair Scurlock, Greenville, S.C., 73r-83c; Chris Miller, New Philadelphia, Ohio, 82r-74c; David West, Downington, Pa., 81r-75c; J. Kelly Hudelson, Oklahoma City, Okla., 75c-81r; Jeffrey Bishop, Canada, 76c-80r; Jonny Doppelt, Great Neck, N.Y., 74c-82r; Lance Goodson, Birmingham, Ala., 76r-80c; Mark Elgner, Canada, 79r-77c; Michael Kovaleski, Winter Park, Fla., 76c-80r; Robert Jones, Centerville, Ohio, 76c-80r; Tim Hamm, Chicago, Ill., 74c-82r; Tom Sullivan, Grosse Pointe, Mich., 81r-75c
 157 Anthony Sorentino, Shelby Township, Mich., 80r-77c; Brian Higgins, Bellingham, Mass., 79c-78r; Donnie Cooper, Knoxville, Tenn., 76c-81r; Douglas Snoop, Apopka, Fla., 78c-79r; Endel Lias, Phoenixville, Pa., 80r-77c; Frank Babusik, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., 77c-80r; Jason Novascone, Dallas, Texas, 84r-73c; Jonathan Marsico, Denver, Colo., 77c-80r; Jordan Mitchell, Atlanta, Ga., 79r-78c; Matt Heestand, Cleveland, Ohio, 79c-78r; Michael Nowak, Charlotte, N.C., 77c-80r; Patrick Griffin, Unionville, Conn., 81r-76c; Seth Kaplan, Dallas, Texas, 72c-85r
 158 Bill Hodges, Thomasville, Ga., 81c-77r; Chris Lange, Bryn Mawr, Pa., 81c-77r; Clay Price, Frisco, Texas, 79r-79c; Edward Glostein, Glen Head, N.Y., 79c-79r; Kevin Quinn, Needham, Mass., 83r-75c; Robert Godwin, Poplar Bluff, Mo., 79r-79c; Roger Hoyt, Summit, N.J., 79c-79r; Ron Mangold, Pochontas, Ark., 78c-80r; Ryan Hulton, Cleveland, Tenn., 80r-78c; Titus Harris III, Houston, Texas, 81r-77c; Wallace Nelson IV, Alamogordo, N.M., 74c-84r
 159 A.J. Balulis, Chicago, Ill., 81c-78r; Andy Drohen, Granville, Mass., 78c-81r; Austin Eaton III, North Sutton, N.H., 83c-76r; Christopher O'Keefe, Brooklyn, N.Y., 81r-78c; Derek O'Neill, Parker, Colo., 85r-74c; Jonathan Petke, Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif., 80r-79c; Matthew Elliott, Columbus, Ohio, 75r-84c; Michael Kennedy, Sammamish, Wash., 82r-77c; Peter Kozubal, Bridgewater, N.J., 83r-76c; R. Michael McLoone, Chicago, Ill., 80c-79r; Roy Hunter, Charlotte, N.C., 81r-78c; Saumil Jhaveri, Westlake, Ohio, 84r-75c; Steve Johnson, Lookout Mountain, Tenn., 76c-83r; Tom Nolan, Ridgewood, N.J., 81c-78r; Wes Leth, Davis, Calif., 77r-82c
 160 Brandon Sigmund, Mitchell, S.D., 81r-79c; Brett Egge, Sioux Falls, S.D., 80c-80r; Jeff Hoffman, Folsom, Calif., 80r-80c; Mark Knecht, Paducah, Ky., 79r-81c; Matthew Williams, Albuquerque, N.M., 81c-79r; Nathan Wilson, Sheridan, Wyo., 77c-83r; Ryan Indovina, Chicago, Ill., 79c-81r
 161 Chris Sylvia, Atco, N.J., 81c-80r; Christopher Binder, Collingswood, N.J., 82r-79c; Douglas Clapp, Walpole, Mass., 78c-83r; John Adams, San Clemente, Calif., 86c-75r; Michael Kloenne, West Linn, Ore., 81r-80c; Milas Russell, San Diego, Calif., 76r-85c; Parker Foster, Tulsa, Okla., 77c-84r; Paul Balatti, Santa Rosa, Calif., 79c-82r; Reed Kolquist, Duluth, Minn., 77c-84r; Ryan Jacobs, Nashville, Tenn., 75c-86r; Todd Westrich, Green Bay, Wis., 82r-79c; William West, Burlingame, Calif., 78c-83r
 162 Bill Moore, Syracuse, N.Y., 81r-81c; Christopher Housen, Brielle, N.J., 85r-77c; Craig Groenendaal, Centerville, Va., 79c-83r; Kip Guidry, Missouri City, Texas, 90r-72c; Kyle Milner, Spartanburg, S.C., 88r-74c; Shell Wheeler, North Oaks, Minn., 78r-84c; Tim Breland, Stockton, Calif., 85r-77c
 163 Chris Weyand, Boise, Idaho, 81r-82c; Dan Horner, Salt Lake City, Utah, 88r-75c; David Eaker, Forest City, N.C., 83c-80r; John Madden, Deer Park, Ill., 78c-85r; Nash Elliott, Estilil, S.C., 86r-77c; Ted Moloney, St. Louis, Mo., 82r-81c
 164 Ben Eisner, Nags Head, N.C., 78c-86r; Braxton McLennan, Charlotte, N.C., 85r-79c; Brian

- Corbett, Clarks Summit, Pa., 84r-80c; Cory Synnestvedt, Danville, Calif., 81c-83r; David Holmes, Sutton, Mass., 82r-82c; Derek Waddington, Hebron, Conn., 78r-86c; Dudley Payne III, Warrenton, Va., 77r-87c; Joey Behrstock, Los Angeles, Calif., 85r-79c; Kevin Wentworth, Arnold, Calif., 79r-85c; Scott Linklater, Riverside, Calif., 82c-82r
- 165 David Sharp, Chicago, Ill., 87r-78c; Jack Keamey, Peachtree City, Ga., 83r-82c; James Bachhuber, West Bend, Wis., 83c-82r; John Ply, Glen Ellyn, Ill., 80r-85c
- 166 Burke Hayes, Chevy Chase, Md., 84c-82r; Greg Wilson, Redlands, Calif., 88c-78r; Nathan Sugar, Rockville, Md., 89c-77r; Ted Grassi III, Erie, Pa., 81c-85r
- 167 Chris Clarke, East Hampton, N.Y., 81r-86c; Corey Ayers, Bellaire, Texas, 81r-86c; Jason Vedadi, Spokane, Wash., 85r-82c; John Capra, Bridgewater, N.J., 83c-84r; Patrick Malone, Dallas, Texas, 80c-87r
- 168 Jamie Slonis, Sewell, N.J., 85r-83c
- 169 David Waters, San Antonio, Texas, 85r-84c; Joshua Fosdick, Edmond, Okla., 85r-84c; Robert Morris, Great Falls, Va., 82r-87c
- 170 Adam Capasso, Orange, Calif., 84c-86r; Nick Arata, Redwood City, Calif., 85r-85c; Thomas Olson, Omaha, Neb., 85c-85r
- 171 Daniel Russo, Haganan, N.Y., 83r-88c
- 172 Bill Boyle, Holmdel, N.J., 85r-87c; Eric Larson, Beaverton, Ore., 80c-92r
- 173 Bill Tyner, Enterprise, Ala., 85c-88r; David Reneker, Santa Monica, Calif., 81c-92r; Jared Overton, Provo, Utah, 83r-90c; Matt Amis, Stamford, Conn., 90r-83c; Wes Martin, Denver, Colo., 82c-91r
- 177 Danny Hanson, Phoenix, Ariz., 91r-86c; Richard Van Matre, Carlsbad, Calif., 88r-89c
- DQ Clifford Benson III, Raleigh, N.C., 75c

Championship History

In 1981, the USGA inaugurated its first new championship in 19 months, the U.S. Mid-Amateur. The Mid-Amateur, for amateur golfers of at least 25 years of age, provides a formal national championship for the post-college amateur, for whom the game is truly an avocation.

Before the arrival of the Mid-Amateur, the post-collegiate player could compete in the Amateur Championship, sometimes successfully, but these older amateurs faced greater odds. While they fit their golf around their work and families, they were most often competing against college golfers, for whom the game is close to a full-time activity.

Only about 40 percent of those who qualify for the U.S. Amateur Championship each year are at least 25, although several have been quite successful. For example, Bob Lewis Jr., then 35, reached the Amateur final in 1980, and the semifinals in 1981 and 1986. Jay Sigel won consecutive Amateur titles in 1982 and 1983 (at ages 38 and 39, respectively), then added the Mid-Amateur title in 1983, 1985 and 1987. In 1986, Buddy Alexander, 33, a reinstated amateur, won the U.S. Amateur and in 1993, 41-year-old John Harris won the Amateur.

In general, however, most post-collegiate amateurs found themselves at a disadvantage competing against college golfers. Thus, the Mid-Amateur Championship was born.

Played at the Bellerive Country Club in St. Louis, the first Mid-Amateur drew 1,638 entries in 1981. The field included three former Amateur champions Gary Cowan (1966, 1971), Marvin "Vinny" Giles III (1972) and

Fred Ridley (1975). Jim Holtgrieve, 33, of Des Peres, Mo., defeated fellow Walker Cup Team member Bob Lewis Jr., 37, of Warren, Ohio, in the final, 2 up.

In 1983, Jay Sigel, 39, of Berwyn, Pa., became the first golfer in 53 years to win two USGA championships in the same year when he added the Mid-Amateur Championship to the U.S. Amateur he had won just 32 days earlier.

Sigel became the Mid-Amateur's first two-time winner when he again captured the championship in 1985. Sigel won his third Mid-Amateur in 1987. Combined with his two U.S. Amateur titles (1982, 1983), Sigel won a total of five USGA championships.

In 1987's first qualifying round, Don Bliss of St. Louis made holes-in-one on the eighth and 10th holes at Brook Hollow Golf Club in Dallas, Texas. Bliss is the only player to score two holes-in-one in one round of a USGA championship.

Jim Stuart of Macon, Ga., became the first player to win two consecutive Mid-Amateur Championships when he won in 1990 and 1991.

The U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship has continued to grow in popularity and in 1989 topped 3,000 entries for the first time.

In its short history, the championship's unique age qualification has inspired similar tournaments throughout the country and there are now Mid-Amateur events in nearly every state.

In 2001, the final match was expanded from 18 to 36 holes.