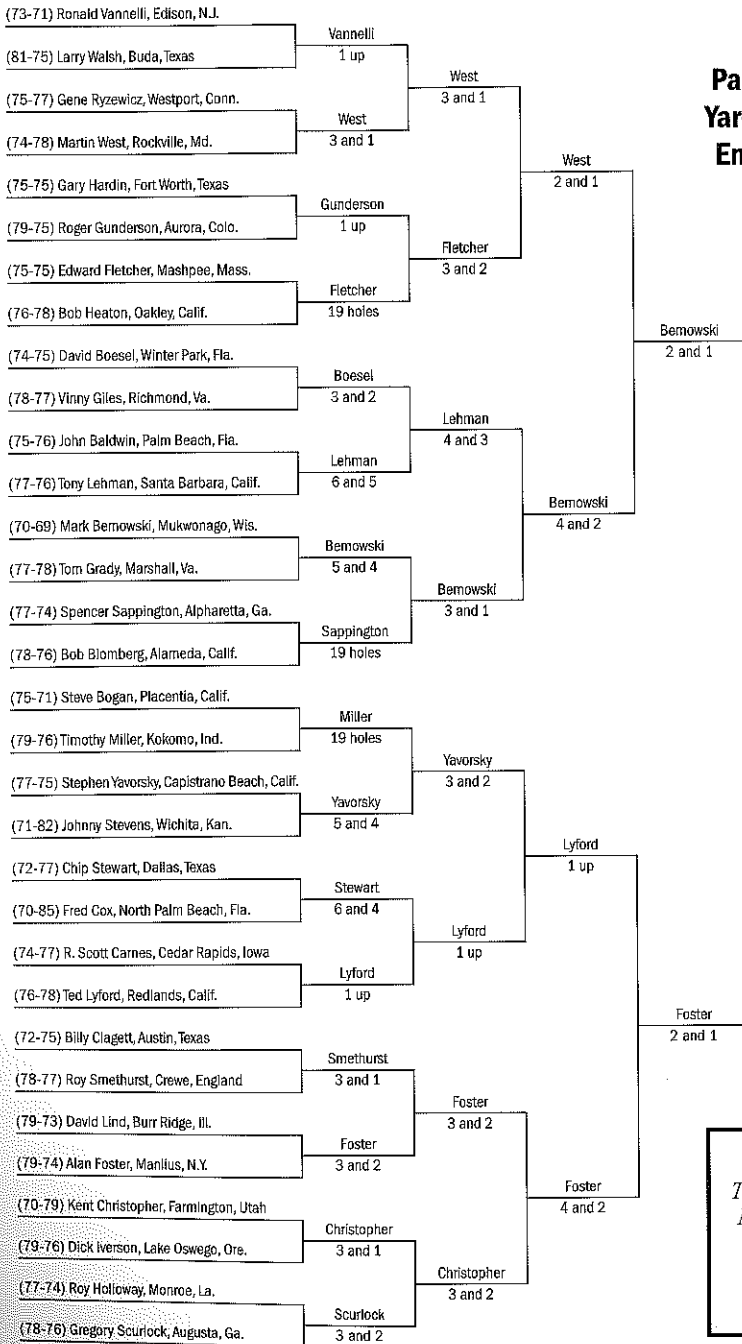


# 50th USGA Senior Amateur Championship — Oct. 9-14, 2004

Qual. Score      1st Round Monday, Oct. 11      2nd Round Tuesday, Oct. 12      3rd Round Tuesday, Oct. 12      Quarterfinal Round Wednesday, Oct. 13      Semifinal Round Wednesday, Oct. 13

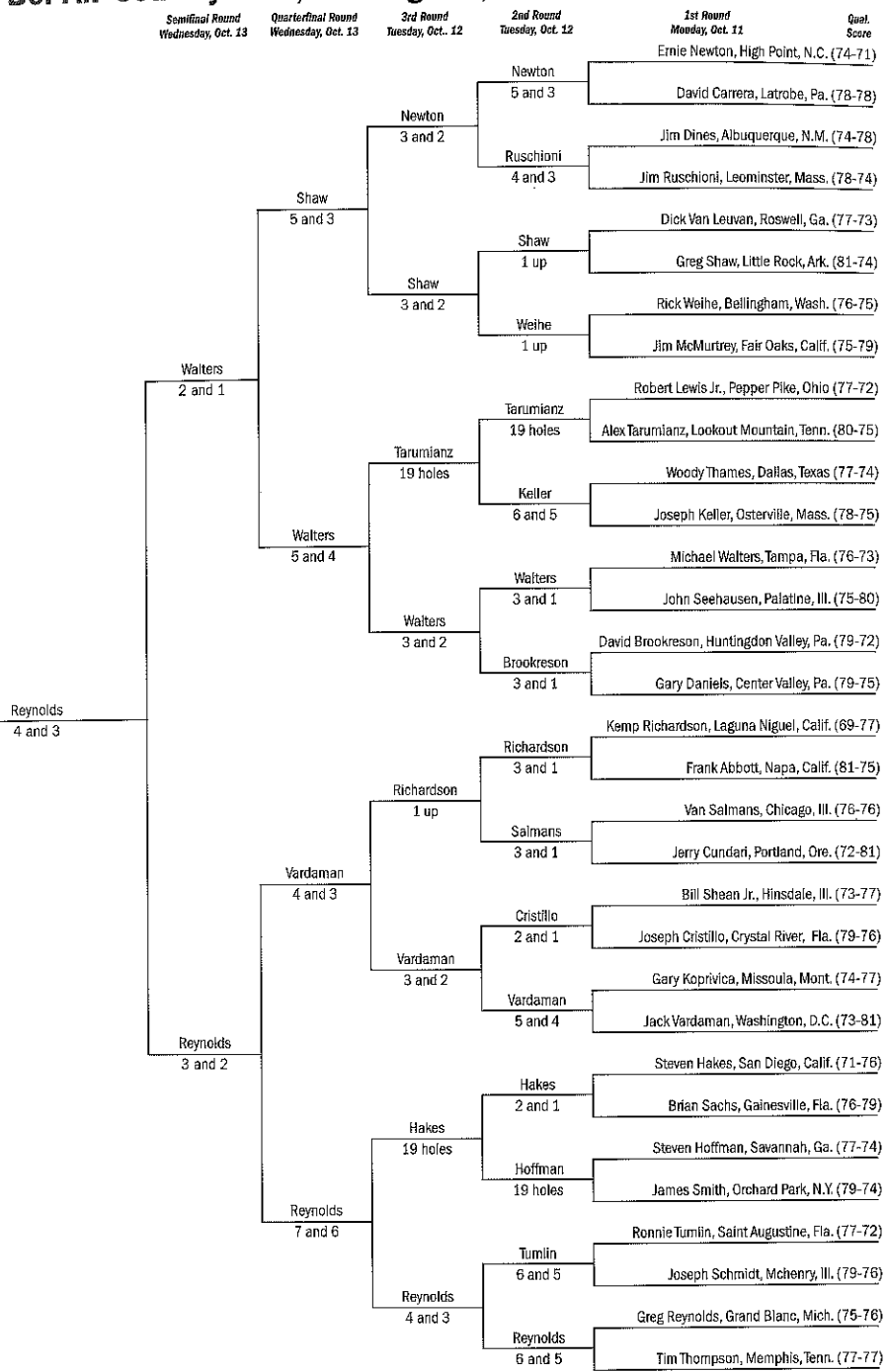
Sr. Amateur



**Par: 36-34-70**  
**Yardage: 6,491**  
**Entries: 2,420**

*FINAL*  
 Thursday, Oct. 14  
**Mark Bemowski**  
*def.*  
**Greg Reynolds,**  
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# Bel-Air Country Club, Los Angeles, Calif.



Sr. Amateur

**Complete Stroke-Play Results**

- 144 Ronald Vannelli, Edison, N.J., 73-71
- 145 Ernie Newton, Hight Point, N.C., 74-71
- 146 Kemp Richardson, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 69-77; Steve Bogan, Placentia, Calif., 75-71
- 147 Billy Claggett, Austin, Texas, 72-75; Steven Hakes, San Diego, Calif., 71-76
- 149 Chip Stewart, Dallas, Texas, 72-77; David Boesel, Winter Park, Fla., 74-75; Kent Christopher, Farmington, Utah, 70-79; Mark Bemowski, Mukwonago, Wis., 70-79; Michael Walters, Tampa, Fla., 76-73; Robert Lewis Jr., Pepper Pike, Ohio, 77-72; Ronnie Tumlin, Saint Augustine, Fla., 77-72
- 150 Bill Shean Jr., Hinsdale, Ill., 73-77; Dick Van Leuvan, Roswell, Ga., 77-73; Edward Fletcher, Mashpee, Mass., 75-75; Gary Hardin, Fort Worth, Texas, 75-75
- 151 David Brookreson, Huntingdon Valley, Pa., 79-72; Gary Koprivica, Missoula, Mont., 74-77; Greg Reynolds, Grand Blanc, Mich., 75-76; John Baldwin, Palm Beach, Fla., 75-76; R. Scott Carnes, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, 74-77; Rick Weihe, Bellingham, Wash., 76-75; Roy Holloway, Monroe, La., 77-74; Spencer Sappington, Alpharetta, Ga., 77-74; Steven Hoffman, Savannah, Ga., 77-74; Woody Thames, Dallas, Texas, 77-74
- 152 David Lind, Burr Ridge, Ill., 79-73; Gene Ryzewicz, Westport, Conn., 75-77; Jim Dines, Albuquerque, N.M., 74-78; Jim Ruschioni, Leominster, Mass., 78-74; Martin West, Rockville, Md., 74-78; Stephen Yavorsky, Capistrano Beach, Calif., 77-75; Van Salmans, Chicago, Ill., 76-76
- 153 Alan Foster, Manlius, N.Y., 79-74; James Smith, Orchard Park, N.Y., 79-74; Jerry Cundari, Portland, Ore., 72-81; Johnny Stevens, Wichita, Kan., 71-82; Joseph Keller, Ostarville, Mass., 78-75; Tony Lehman, Santa Barbara, Calif., 77-76
- 154 Bob Blomberg, Alameda, Calif., 78-76; Bob Heaton, Oakley, Calif., 76-78; Gary Daniels, Center Valley, Pa., 79-75; Gregory Scurlock, Augusta, Ga., 78-76; Jack Vardaman, Washington, D.C., 73-81; Jim McMurtrey, Fair Oaks, Calif., 75-79; Roger Gunderson, Aurora, Colo., 79-75; Ted Lyford, Redlands, Calif., 76-78; Tim Thompson, Memphis, Tenn., 77-77
- 155 Alex Tamuzianz, Lookout Mountain, Tenn., 80-75; Brian Sachs, Gainesville, Fla., 76-79; Dick Iverson, Lake Oswego, Ore., 79-76; Fred Cox, North Palm Beach, Fla., 70-85; Greg Shaw, Little Rock, Ark., 81-74; John Seehausen, Palatine, Ill., 75-80; Joseph Cristillo, Crystal River, Fla., 79-76; Joseph Schmidt, Mchenry, Ill., 79-76; Roy Smethurst, Crewe, England, 78-77; Timothy Miller, Kokomo, Ind., 77-76; Tom Grady, Marshall, Va., 77-78; Vinny Giles, Richmond, Va., 78-77
- 156 \*Frank Abbott, Napa, Calif., 81-75 (3,4); \*David Carrera, Latrobe, Pa., 78-78 (3,4); \*Lary Walsh, Buda, Texas, 81-75 (3,4)

**Failed to Qualify**

- 156 \*Norman Swenson, Charlotte, N.C., 78-78 (3,5); \*Sam Farlow, Birmingham, Ala., 79-77 (3,5); \*Bruce Richards, Bellevue, Wash., 80-76 (4); \*Henry Hodde, Santa Fe, N.M., 79-77 (4); \*Roy Vomastek, Cadillac, Mich., 77-79 (4); \*O.D. Gardner, Yorktown, Va., 74-82 (5)
- 157 Fred Lukasik, Rock Island, Ill., 79-78; Jerry Greenbaum, Atlanta, Ga., 82-75; Jim Brown, Loudon, Tenn., 81-76; Keith Paterson, Rockford, Mich., 81-78; Merton Goode, San Francisco, Calif., 78-79; Mike Pharr, Hemando, Miss., 77-80; Rick Bauch, Delafield, Wis., 77-80; Robert Mielcarz, Concord, N.H., 79-78; Sam Williams, Salt Lake City, Utah, 74-83; Stephen Smith, Palo Alto, Calif., 79-78; Thomas Dantuck, Miami, Fla., 78-79
- 158 Cannon Randall, Mesa, Ariz., 77-81; Frank Reaume, Pinckney, Mich., 81-77; Gordon Willins, West Chester, Ohio, 86-72; James Wallis Jr., Biloxi, Miss., 81-77; Jamie Gough, Fairfax, Va., 78-80; Jamie Kirkebo, Tacoma, Wash., 79-79; Jerry Gruidl, Plymouth, Minn., 80-78; Ronald Moore, Pinehurst, N.C., 85-73; Ted Smith, Wilkinon, Ind., 76-82; Tom Hadley, Hendersonville, N.C., 80-78
- 159 Bill Ploeger, Columbus, Ga., 79-80; Bob Hullender, San Antonio, Texas, 75-84; Edward Craig, Orlando, Fla., 79-80; Jim Jensen, Park City, Utah, 79-80; John Hendricks, Mountain Lakes, N.J., 83-76; Michael Rose, Huntingdon Valley, Pa., 76-83
- 160 Arnold Edwards, Charlotte, N.C., 81-79; Charlie Post, Denver, Colo., 78-82; Dave Houghton, Orleans, Mass., 78-82; Douglas Vergith, Setauket, N.Y., 82-78; Edward Smith, Mesa, Ariz., 85-75; Jerry Kidney, Littleton, Colo., 77-83; Jim Lipe, Shreveport, La., 82-78; Karl Stewart Sr., Chino Hills, Calif., 78-82; Mike Hale, Pine Bluff, Ark., 77-83; Pat Vincelli, Burnsville, Minn., 79-81; Viviano Villareal, Mexico, 83-77; Wayne Harris, Missouri City, Texas, 77-83
- 161 Al Sharpe, Carmel, Calif., 80-81; Douglas Baker, Incline Village, Nev., 89-72; Edward Pascoe, Birmingham, Ala., 81-80; Gary Verble, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., 84-77; Jim Arnold, Tulsa, Okla., 80-81; Joe Malay, Boise, Idaho, 77-84; Ron Brewer, Leawood, Kan., 83-78; Thomas Olson, Omaha, Neb., 79-82
- 162 Bert Rogers, The Woodlands, Texas, 83-79; Carey Schulten, Dallas, Texas, 78-84; Francis Spadola, Napa, Calif., 88-74; John H. Pickereel, Cashiers, N.C., 81-81; Robert Ferrel, Linville, N.C., 85-77; Robert Leaf, Excelsior, Minn., 77-85; Roger Null, Wentzville, Mo., 85-77
- 163 Frank Perry, Fayetteville, Ga., 82-81; Jerry Greer, Tulsa, Okla., 83-80; Robert Carver, Fullerton, Calif., 84-79; Roberto Duran, Panama City, Panama, 82-81; Tom Bergeron, Gill, Mass., 84-79; Warren Shafer, San Diego, Calif., 85-78; William Dober, Fairfield, Conn., 81-82
- 164 Frank Brame, Alexandria, La., 82-82; Jim Taggard, Blaine,

	Wash., 79-85; John Ceamal, Fort Worth, Texas, 80-84; Lee Brandt, Sioux Falls, S.D., 80-84; Matthew Bells, Ambler, Pa., 83-81	171	John Betonte, Cleveland, Ohio, 81-90; Skip Juris, Dublin, Ohio, 81-90
166	Daniel Gregg, Ann Arbor, Mich., 88-78; Kerry Lewis, Pittsburgh, Pa., 85-81; Pete McDade, San Diego, Calif., 86-80	172	Doug Tambara, Huntington Beach, Calif., 86-86; Grant Renne, Prairie Village, Kan., 84-88
167	James Smith Jr., Wilmington, N.C., 85-82	173	Merritt Cook, Lombard, Ill., 82-91
168	Dave Bates, Newburgh, Ind., 84-84; Shigeru Matsui, Honolulu, Hawaii, 84-84; Tom Perry, Indianapolis, Ind., 84-84	178	David Cox, Mission, Texas, 89-89
169	Elvin Gonzalez, Dorado, Puerto Rico, 81-88; Guy Smith, Lexington, N.C., 83-86	183	George Van Kirk, Grand Forks, N.D., 90-93
		WD	Curtis Madson, Mount Dora, Fla., 81; Terry Chercourt, Jacksonville, Fla., 86; Bruce Rotte, Cincinnati, Ohio; G.M. Bingman, Wadsworth, Ohio

\* = in playoff

## Historical Notes

The remarkable growth of senior golf prompted the USGA to establish the Senior Amateur Championship in 1955. Many senior golf associations had come into being on the local, state, and regional level, proving that the competitive instinct among golfers was not diminished by age.

In 1955, the notion of a tournament only for seniors was not a new one. Fifty years earlier, the Apawamis Club, in Rye, N.Y., had started the oldest senior competition still in existence, which led directly to the formation of the U.S. Senior Golf Association, a private organization not linked to the USGA.

Apawamis extended invitations to golfers 60 years of age and older. When the response was not overwhelming, the age minimum was dropped to 55 to gather a representative field. Thus was the definition of a senior amateur golfer established.

The U.S. Senior Golf Association conducted a fine tournament, but membership in the organization was limited, and a long waiting list developed. Because there was no one event open to all senior amateurs, the USGA was asked to start a true national championship. The Senior Amateur was added to the schedule in 1955. Entries were open to golfers age 55 and over who had handicaps not over 10 strokes.

Addition of the Senior Amateur gave the USGA exactly twice as many championships as it had conducted before World War II, when there were just four: the Amateur, Open, and Women's Amateur, started in 1895, and the Amateur Public Links (1922). From World War II until 1955, the USGA added four more: the Junior Amateur (1948), the Girls' Junior (1949), the Women's Open (1953), and the Senior Amateur (1955). The USGA now conducts 13 national championships, 10 of which are strictly for amateurs.

The first Senior Amateur, at Belle Meade Country Club, in Nashville, Tenn., drew 370 entries from 30 states and the District of Columbia. J. Wood Platt, 56, the eight-time Philadelphia Amateur champion, defeated George Studinger of San Francisco, Calif., 5 and 4, in the final.