



U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship

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Wellesley (Mass.) Country Club

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Karen Garcia Wins the 2015 Championship

Karen Garcia overcame her opponent's tenacity, as well as a couple of late miscues to emerge victorious in the 2015 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship, conducted at the 5,857-yard, par-72 Hillwood Country Club.

It is the first USGA championship victory for the 53-year-old high school guidance counselor from Cool, Calif., about an hour's drive east of Sacramento. In defeating her longtime friend Pamela Kuong, 52, of Wellesley Hills, Mass., Garcia showed a combination of power and short-game touch that proved worthy of a champion.

"I'm in shock," said the champion. "To win a USGA event, to think of all the people before me that have their name on this trophy; I've played in five Mid-Ams and a State Team and never even come close."

In order to get to the afternoon final, both players had to survive morning semifinal matches, which were pushed to Thursday due to extensive weather delays earlier in the week. Garcia defeated 2013 Senior Women's Amateur runner-up Sue Cohn, 52, of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., 1 up, and Kuong survived a 21-hole match with Tama Caldabaugh of Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

Like many matches during the week in Nashville, light rain fell as the two players began the final at 1:10 p.m. CDT. The longer-hitting Garcia figured to have an advantage in the soft conditions, and jumped out to a 2-up lead through three holes.

Kuong cut Garcia's lead to 1 up on the next hole with a two-putt par as the two players, who first met at the 2007 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur Championship at Desert Forest Country Club in Carefree, Ariz., chatted regularly in between shots. They showed some fatigue on the outward nine as the intermittent rain and wind added to the challenge, but Garcia was able to regain a 2-up lead by using her distance advantage on the 504-yard, par-5 sixth hole.

Garcia seemed to take greater control of the match on the uphill, par-4 ninth hole, where she sunk a 6-footer for birdie that gave her a 3-up lead at the turn, not that she took it for granted.

"I figured Pam would start making some shots and I would have to tough it out," said Garcia.

Indeed, just like Kuong had been doing to her opponents all week, she mounted a comeback. Starting at the par-3 11th hole, the senior vice president at Bank of America in Boston won four of the next six holes, three of them with birdies, to turn her deficit to Garcia into a 1-up lead.

"I finally found my swing and played a lot better on the back nine," said Kuong.

Throughout the match, Garcia out-drove Kuong by a wide margin, but Kuong used timely putting to get right back in the mix. Those putts included a 12-footer for birdie on No. 14 and an 18-foot effort on No. 15, a par 5 where Garcia hit the green in two.

The players arrived at the 170-yard 16th hole all square, and for a while it looked like their swings there just might decide the match in Kuong's favor. After Kuong hit her hybrid tee shot onto the green, 35 feet above the hole, Garcia hooked hers long and left, giving her an awkward pitch from very close to the tree line that separates the course from Hillwood Avenue. She took two shots to reach the green and then missed her bogey effort, conceding Kuong's par that gave her the 1-up lead.

On her way to the 17th tee, Garcia gave herself a pep talk.

"I knew that I had an advantage length-wise," said Garcia about the 460-yard, par-5 17th. "So I felt like I still had a chance. I told my husband, let's win the next two holes and we'll be fine."

That's just what happened, helped by a mistake by Kuong. After driving into the light rough, she tried to carry a creek with her second shot on the 460-yard par 5, and instead found the water hazard.


"I really should have laid up before the hazard because I still was 1-up," said Kuong. I didn't have to go over it. That was a mistake on my part. You know, in hindsight I would like to have that shot back."

Garcia won the hole with a stress-free, conceded par, and the friendly competitors arrived at the 18th tee in front of a sizable gallery despite gloomy, overcast conditions. Garcia's drive was more than 60 yards ahead of Kuong's, and after Kuong failed to convert a 20-foot par putt, Garcia won the match by making an uphill four-footer of her own.

"To have stayed calm all week and stayed in the moment, as they say, was the biggest challenge," said Garcia. "You've got to get out of your own way and have a good week."

"I'm so happy for Karen," said a gracious Kuong. "Karen is a great person and she deserved it. She made the clutch birdies when she had to."

The Final: Kuong vs. Garcia																		
HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
PAR	4	3	5	4	3	5	4	4	4	3	5	4	3	5	3	5	4	
KUONG	5	5	7	4	4	6	5	5	4	4	2	5	4	2	4	3	6	5
GARCIA	5	2	6	5	4	5	5	5	3	4	4	5	4	3	5	5	5	4

 – Won hole

2015 Championship Notes

Leaders

Round 1 — Ginny Burkey, at even-par 72, by one stroke over Jean Cheszek, Mary Ann Hayward and Martha Leach. Round 2 — Hayward was medalist at 1-over 145, by two strokes over Leach.

Cut

At 19-over 163, with no playoff.

Weather

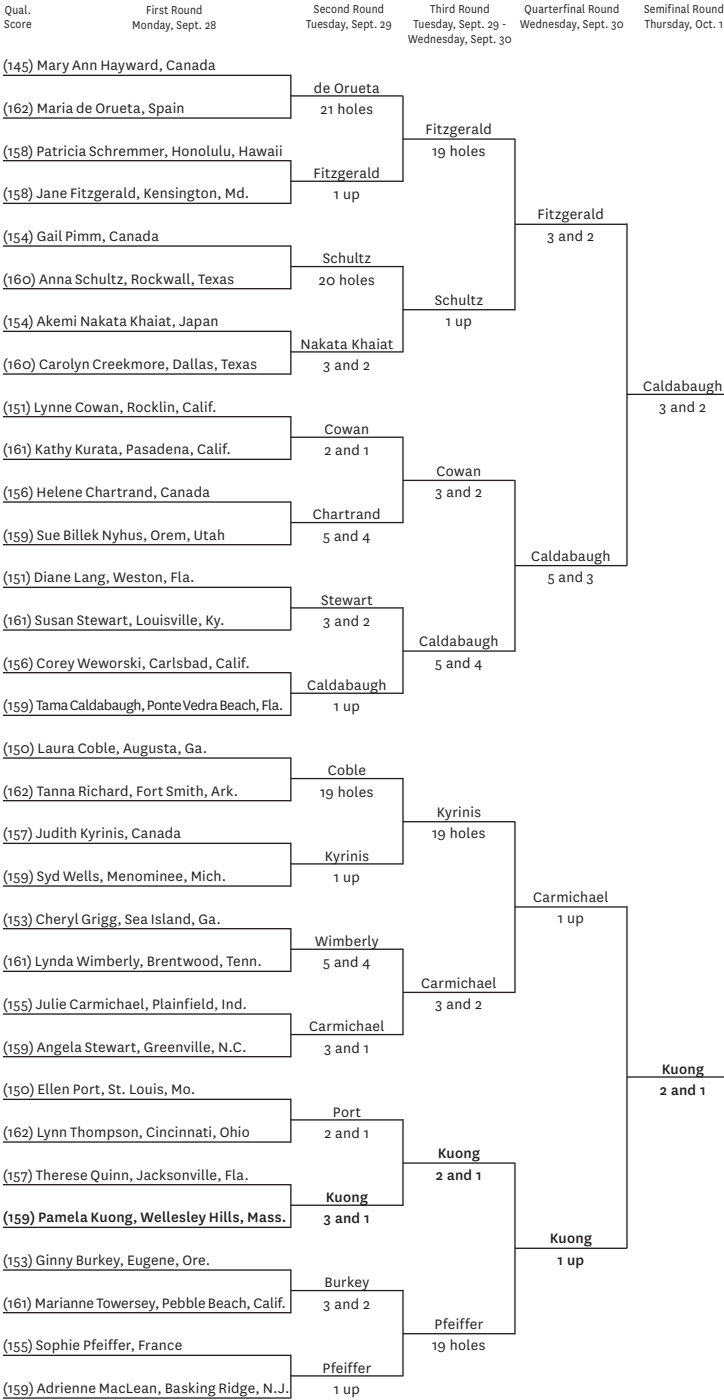
Overcast on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, with temperatures in the upper 70s and low 80s. Rain and thunderstorms were prevalent on Tuesday. Tuesday morning's tee times, initially scheduled to begin at 7:45 a.m., were delayed 45 minutes due to rain and the necessary course maintenance. A storm caused a suspension of play at 10:33 a.m., with a resumption at 11:21 a.m. Play was again suspended due to lightning and more rain at 11:49 a.m., resumed at 1:47 p.m. and ultimately suspended due to darkness at 6:25 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday saw intermittent showers, with temperatures falling into the 60s.

Notes

Hillwood Country Club hosted its first USGA championship ... The youngest player in the championship was Patricia Schremmer, who turned 50 on Sept. 8. There were five other players in their first year of championship eligibility: Lynn Anderson, Angela Collins, Kelly Loeb, Adrienne MacLean and Robin Webb ... Patsy Ehret, 71, was the championship's oldest competitor ... There were eight countries represented at the championship: Australia, Canada, France, Guatemala, Japan, Mexico, Spain and the United States of America ... There were 33 states represented at the championship: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana,

Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin. Washington D.C. was also represented ... There were 13 USGA champions in the field: Mary Budke (1972 U.S. Women's Amateur), Carolyn Creekmore (2004 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur), Robin Donnelley (1989 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur), Terri Frohnmayer (2011 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur), Mina Hardin (2010 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur), Mary Ann Hayward (2005 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur), Sherry Herman (2009 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur), Joan Higgins (2008 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur, 2014 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur), Diane Lang (2005, 2006, 2008 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur), Martha Leach (2009 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur), Ellen Port (1995, 1996, 2000, 2011 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur; 2012, 2013 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur), Anna Schultz (2007 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur) and Corey Weworski (2004 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur) ... Country music star Vince Gill, an avid golfer and a longtime supporter of the Tennessee Golf Association, performed a private concert at the Players Dinner ... Lynda Wimberly reached the Round of 32 after receiving a berth in the championship field less than two hours prior to her first-round tee time. Wimberly, who lives within 15 miles of Hillwood Country Club, received an alternate spot in the field following a late withdrawal ... Due to schedule changes caused by extensive weather delays on Tuesday, the semifinal round scheduled for Wednesday afternoon was moved to Thursday morning. The final match immediately followed on Thursday afternoon.

54th U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship



Par: 36-36—72
Yardage: 5,857
Entries: 544

FINAL
Thursday, Oct. 1
Karen Garcia
def.
Pamela Kuong,
1 up

Sept. 26 - Oct. 1, 2015, Hillwood C.C., Nashville, Tenn.

Semifinal Round Thursday, Oct. 1	Quarterfinal Round Wednesday, Sept. 30	Third Round Tuesday, Sept. 29 - Wednesday, Sept. 30	Second Round Tuesday, Sept. 29	First Round Monday, Sept. 28	Qual. Score
				Martha Leach, Hebron, Ky. (147)	
		Massa 4 and 3	Massa 4 and 3	Julie Massa, Holt, Mich. (162)	
	Massa 3 and 2	Cheszek 19 holes	Cheszek 19 holes	Mina Hardin, Mexico (158)	
				Jean Cheszek, Palatine, Ill. (158)	
	Leef 4 and 3	Leef 3 and 1	Leef 3 and 1	Susan Beaupied, Pittsboro, N.C. (154)	
		Leef 5 and 4	Torti 7 and 6	Maggie Leef, Merton, Wis. (160)	
				Marie-Therese Torti, Canada (154)	
				Mimi Hoffman, Alexandria, Va. (159)	
	Garcia 2 and 1			Sue Wooster, Australia (151)	
		Anderson 4 and 3	Wortham 4 and 3	Lindsay Wortham, Richmond, Va. (162)	
			Anderson 19 holes	Denise Martorana, Sag Harbor, N.Y. (156)	
		Garcia 7 and 5		Lynn Anderson, Hopkins, Minn. (159)	
			Garcia 1 up	Kim Eaton, Mesa, Ariz. (152)	
				Karen Garcia, Cool, Calif. (161)	
			Hardy 6 and 5	Marilyn Hardy, Houston, Texas (156)	
				MaryKay Thanos-Zordani, Palm Desert, Calif. (159)	
Garcia 1 up				Caryn Wilson, Rancho Mirage, Calif. (149)	
		Wilson 5 and 4	Wilson 6 and 4	Linda DiVall, Alexandria, Va. (162)	
			Arenas 3 and 1	Beatriz Arenas, Guatemala (158)	
				Elizabeth Haines, Gladwyne, Pa. (159)	
	Pictor 6 and 5	Postillion 2 and 1	Postillion 2 and 1	Kerry Postillion, Scottsdale, Ariz. (154)	
		Pictor 2 up	Pictor 2 and 1	Susan West, Tuscaloosa, Ala. (161)	
				Louella Kanew, Los Angeles, Calif. (155)	
				Brenda Pictor, Marietta, Ga. (159)	
	Cohn 2 and 1			Leigh Klasse, Woodbury, Minn. (151)	
		Moore 1 up	Moore 1 up	Patty Moore, Charlotte, N.C. (162)	
		Cohn 3 and 2	Cohn 5 and 4	Sue Cohn, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. (157)	
				Colette Rosenberg, Pacific Palisades, Calif. (159)	
	Cohn 1 up			Sherry Herman, Middletown, N.J. (152)	
		Schlesinger 3 and 2	Herman 3 and 2	Leilani Norman, Eugene, Ore. (161)	
			Schlesinger 4 and 2	Pam Simpson, Kansas City, Mo. (155)	
				Lisa Schlesinger, Laytonsville, Md. (159)	

Complete Stroke-Play Results

145	Mary Ann Hayward, Canada, 73-72	Mich., 81-78; Pamela Kuong, Wellesley Hills, Mass., 80-79; Colette Rosenberg, Pacific Palisades, Calif., 84-75; Lynn Anderson, Hopkins, Minn., 81-78; Sue Billek Nyhus, Orem, Utah, 80-79; Tama Caldabaugh, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., 83-76; Mary Kay Thanos-Zordani, Palm Desert, Calif., 78-81; Lisa Schlesinger, Laytonsville, Md., 83-76; Adrienne MacLean, Basking Ridge, N.J., 84-75; Angela Stewart, Greenville, N.C., 79-80; Brenda Pictor, Marietta, Ga., 82-77; Mimi Hoffman, Alexandria, Va., 79-80	
147	Martha Leach, Hebron, Ky., 73-74	160	Carolyn Creekmore, Dallas, Texas, 82-78; Anna Schultz, Rockwall, Texas, 81-79; Maggie Leef, Merton, Wis., 81-79
149	Caryn Wilson, Rancho Mirage, Calif., 74-75	161	Susan West, Tuscaloosa, Ala., 83-78; Lynda Wimberly, Brentwood, Tenn., 83-78; Marianne Towersey, Pebble Beach, Calif., 81-80; Leilani Norman, Eugene, Ore., 84-77; Karen Garcia, Cool, Calif., 83-78; Susan Stewart, Louisville, Ky., 83-78; Kathy Kurata, Pasadena, Calif., 77-84
150	Laura Coble, Augusta, Ga., 76-74; Ellen Port, St. Louis, Mo., 76-74	162	Lindsay Wortham, Richmond, Va., 80-82; Patty Moore, Charlotte, N.C., 81-81; Lynn Thompson, Cincinnati, Ohio, 81-81; Tanna Richard, Fort Smith, Ark., 80-82; Linda DiVall, Alexandria, Va., 82-80; Julie Massa, Holt, Mich., 83-79; Maria de Orueta, Spain, 83-79
151	Leigh Klasse, Woodbury, Minn., 79-72; Sue Wooster, Australia, 76-75; Lynne Cowan, Rocklin, Calif., 78-73; Diane Lang, Weston, Fla., 76-75		
152	Kim Eaton, Mesa, Ariz., 76-76; Sherry Herman, Middletown, N.J., 77-75		
153	Ginny Burkey, Eugene, Ore., 72-81; Cheryl Grigg, Sea Island, Ga., 77-76		
154	Kerry Postillion, Scottsdale, Ariz., 79-75; Susan Beaupied, Pittsboro, N.C., 79-75; Gail Pimm, Canada, 77-77; Akemi Nakata Khaiat, Japan, 78-76; Marie-Therese Torti, Canada, 78-76		
155	Louella Kanew, Los Angeles, Calif., 79-76; Julie Carmichael, Plainfield, Ind., 76-79; Sophie Pfeiffer, France, 81-74; Pam Simpson, Kansas City, Mo., 77-78		
156	Marilyn Hardy, Houston, Texas, 79-77; Corey Weworski, Carlsbad, Calif., 78-78; Helene Chartrand, Canada, 80-76; Denise Martorana, Sag Harbor, N.Y., 80-76		
157	Sue Cohn, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., 76-81; Therese Quinn, Jacksonville, Fla., 81-76; Judith Kyrinis, Canada, 82-75		
158	Beatriz Arenas, Guatemala, 77-81; Mina Hardin, Mexico, 81-77; Patricia Schremmer, Honolulu, Hawaii, 81-77; Jane Fitzgerald, Kensington, Md., 80-78; Jean Cheszek, Palatine, Ill., 73-85		
159	Elizabeth Haines, Gladwyne, Pa., 77-82; Syd Wells, Menominee,		

Failed to Qualify

163	Mary Jo Kelly, Loudonville, N.Y., 83-80; Kathy West, Tulsa, Okla., 79-84; Jamie Hoffmann, Escondido, Calif., 83-80	174	Maggie Scott, Charleston, Tenn., 85-89; Debbie Friede, Washougal, Wash., 89-85
164	Terri Frohnmayer, Salem, Ore., 83-81; Gigi Higgins, Cape Coral, Fla., 86-78; Terrill Samuel, Canada, 82-82; Mary Budke, Palm Springs, Calif., 83-81; Sandy Woodruff, Santa Cruz, Calif., 83-81; Heidi Person, Pauma Valley, Calif., 81-83	175	Georgia McCravey, Chattanooga, Tenn., 89-86; Beverly Hoffenberg, Greenwood Village, Colo., 89-86
165	Sarah-Anne Smurlick, Canada, 84-81; Kareen Markle, Meridian, Idaho, 84-81; Theresa Delcamp, Grand Blanc, Mich., 85-80; Nanette Seman, Murrieta, Calif., 83-82; Marlene Summers, Montgomery, Texas, 84-81; Alicia Kapheim, Pennington, N.J., 83-82; Robin Donnelley, Palm Beach, Fla., 79-86; Tina Jones, Wildwood, Mo., 83-82; Heidy Munn, La Jolla, Calif., 85-80; Courtney Myhrum, Pittsburgh, Pa., 84-81	176	Elisabet Walquist-Levy, Fort Worth, Texas, 85-91; Donna McHugh, Montville, N.J., 88-88
166	Sue Sardi, Skillman, N.J., 79-87; Dana Harrity, North Hampton, N.H., 84-82; Linda Pearson, Glendale, Calif., 80-86; Annette Gaiotti, Salt Lake City, Utah, 82-84; Mary Jane Hiestand, Naples, Fla., 84-82	178	Kelly Loeb, Tucson, Ariz., 90-88; Kathryn Wright, Camas, Wash., 92-86
167	Stacey Camara, Windsor, Calif., 83-84; Liz Scaggs, Dallas, Texas, 84-83; Patsy Ehret, Stuart, Fla., 81-86; Joanne Catlin, Ashburnham, Mass., 83-84	179	Bonnie Grizzard, Rome, Ga., 93-86
168	Carolina Hart, Juno Beach, Fla., 82-86; Yong Park, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 83-85; Terri McAngus, Mount Juliet, Tenn., 88-80; Lisa Judge, Kula, Hawaii, 82-86	180	Maggie Brady, Washington, D.C., 88-92; Diane Henry, Kerrville, Texas, 89-91
169	Allison Long, Coatesville, Pa., 88-81; Josie Trapnell, Tucson, Ariz., 84-85	181	Gail Regan, Quincy, Mass., 95-86; Jennifer Hocking, Colorado Springs, Colo., 90-91
170	Janet Moore, Cherry Hills Village, Colo., 86-84; Bonnie Fry, Bel Air, Md., 85-85; Kathy Malpass, Evergreen, Colo., 84-86; Sheri Hauck, Arroyo Grande, Calif., 82-88; Karen Hansard, Bernardsville, N.J., 79-91	183	Bronwyne Bruwer, Oldsmar, Fla., 95-88
171	Meg Cavanaugh, Northbrook, Ill., 85-86; Bev Lane, Great Falls, Va., 87-84	184	Kathie Westlund, Fort Myers, Fla., 87-97; Catherine Stypula, Boulder, Colo., 93-91; Katherine Moore-Lilly, Minneapolis, Minn., 93-91
172	Deb Hughes, Denver, Colo., 85-87; Janie Carpenter, Garland, Texas, 85-87; Leslie Elkins, Roswell, Ga., 83-89	185	Robin Webb, Clive, Iowa, 90-95
173	Rebecca Sun, Scottsdale, Ariz., 88-85; Sandra Nakagaki, Honolulu, Hawaii, 88-85	194	Toyoko Hawkins, Anchorage, Alaska, 94-100
		203	Deb Mitchell, Anchorage, Alaska, 101-102
		DQ	Joan Higgins, Glendora, Calif., 77

Championship History

The U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship was inaugurated in 1962 for women golfers age 50 and older.

By the late 1950s, a number of senior women's golf organizations had been formed, principally to conduct tournaments, but there was no existing tournament to determine the national champion. The USGA was requested to step in, and in January 1962, the Executive Committee approved such a competition.

In its own quiet way, senior women's golf has flourished over the years. Several major competitions have sprung up throughout the country, and with the expansion of women's golf, the number of quality senior players has increased dramatically. Many women, age 50 and over, for the first time find they have the requisite time for top-level competitive golf. Additionally, some of the nation's finest amateurs have advanced into this age group and still seek to test their talent and experience on a championship level. Many women who enter these competitions also have been instrumental in the development of women's golf in this country, encouraging younger players and conducting tournaments at all levels.

The first Senior Women's Amateur Championship, in 1962 at the Manufacturers' Golf and Country Club in Orelan, Pa., was a stroke-play showdown of two longtime rivals. Maureen Orcutt, a four-time Curtis Cup player, finished with a 54-hole score of 240, seven strokes ahead of Glenna Collett Vare. In the 1920s and

1930s, Vare reigned as this country's finest woman player with a record six victories in the U.S. Women's Amateur.

Great players of the past have thus far dominated the Senior Women's Amateur. Carolyn Cudone, another former Curtis Cup Team member, won the championship five times in succession between 1968 and 1972.

Dorothy Porter won four Senior Women's Amateur Championships and is one of only four players to have also captured the U.S. Women's Amateur. In 1993, Anne Sander, the Women's Amateur champion in 1958, 1961 and 1963, won her fourth Senior Women's Amateur.

Marlene Stewart Streit, U.S. Women's Amateur champion in 1956, won the Senior Women's Amateur in 1985, 1994 and 2003, and was runner-up a record five times. The 47-year span between Streit's first and last USGA titles is the longest among all USGA champions.

Carol Semple Thompson won the 1973 Women's Amateur and the 1990 and 1997 Women's Mid-Amateurs, and captured her fourth consecutive Senior Women's Amateur title in 2002.

After 35 years of a stroke-play format, the 1997 championship was the first Senior Women's Amateur to be conducted at match play. It was the last of the USGA's 10 national amateur championships to adopt a match-play format.

Championship Results: 1962 to 2015

1962	(Oct. 17-19) Maureen Orcutt , 240; Glenna Collett Vare , 247; Manufacturers' G. & C.C., Orelan, Pa.; Entries: 96	1983	(Sept. 28-30) Dorothy Porter , 234; Lois Hodge , 242; Gulph Mills G.C., King of Prussia, Pa.; Entries: 143
1963	(Oct. 30 - Nov. 1) Marion Choate , 239-81-5-5-5-2; Maureen Orcutt , 239-81-5-5-5-4; Country Club of Florida, Delray Beach, Fla.; Entries: 91	1984	(Sept. 26-28) Constance Guthrie , 227; Janice Calin , 229; Tacoma (Wash.) C. & G.C.; Entries: 131
1964	(Oct. 14-16) Loma Smith , 247; Mrs. William Kirkland , 248; Del Paso C.C., Sacramento, Calif.; Entries: 53	1985	(Sept. 25-27) Marlene Streit , 224; Louise Wilson , 227; Sheraton Savannah R. & C.C., Savannah, Ga.; Entries: 184
1965	(Oct. 13-15) Loma Smith , 242; Charlotte Haskell , 245; Exmoor C.C., Highland Park, Ill.; Entries: 70	1986	(Sept. 24-26) Constance Guthrie , 225; Marlene Streit , Barbara Young , Cecile Maclaurin , 231; Lakewood G.C., Point Clear, Ala.; Entries: 137
1966	(Oct. 5-7) Maureen Orcutt , 242; Aneila Goldthwaite , 248; Lakewood C.C., New Orleans, La.; Entries: 68	1987	(Sept. 30 - Oct. 2) Anne Sander , 228; Harriet Hart , 231; Manufacturers' G. & C.C., Orelan, Pa.; Entries: 136
1967	(Oct. 4-6) Marge Mason , 236; Loma Smith , 240; Atlantic City C.C., Northfield, N.J.; Entries: 80	1988	(Sept. 28-30) Lois Hodge , 228; Marlene Streit , 229; Sea Island G.C., St. Simons Island, Ga.; Entries: 182
1968	(Oct. 2-4) Carolyn Cudone , 236; Loma Smith , 246; Monterey Peninsula C.C. (Dunes Course), Pebble Beach, Calif.; Entries: 120	1989	(Oct. 15-20) Anne Sander , 224; Alice Dye , 233; Tournament Players Course, The Woodlands, Texas; Entries: 119
1969	(Oct. 1-3) Carolyn Cudone , 236-76; Mrs. Lowell D. Brown , 236-84; Ridglea C.C., Fort Worth, Texas; Entries: 79	1990	(Sept. 19-21) Anne Sander , 225-72; Marlene Streit , 225-78; Del Rio G. & C.C., Modesto, Calif.; Entries: 133
1970	(Oct. 7-9) Carolyn Cudone , 231; Paulette Lee , 239; Coral Ridge C.C., Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Entries: 68	1991	(Oct. 9-11) Phyllis Preuss , 221; Belle Robertson , Anne Sander , 222; Pine Needles L. & G.C., Southern Pines, N.C.; Entries: 257
1971	(Sept. 29 - Oct. 1) Carolyn Cudone , 236; Ann Gregory , 237; Sea Island G.C., St. Simons Island, Ga.; Entries: 103	1992	(Sept. 23-25) Rosemary Thompson , 220; Anne Sander , 223; Tucson (Ariz.) C.C.; Entries: 192
1972	(Sept. 27-29) Carolyn Cudone , 231; Nancy Rutter , 237; Manufacturers' G. & C.C., Orelan, Pa.; Entries: 94	1993	(Sept. 29 - Oct. 1) Anne Sander , 230; Mary Ann Morrison , 234; Preakness Hills C.C., Wayne, N.J.; Entries: 129
1973	(Nov. 7-9) Gwen Hibbs , 229; Nancy Rutter , 235; San Marcos C.C., Chandler, Ariz.; Entries: 98	1994	(Sept. 21-23) Marlene Streit , 222-75; Nancy Fitzgerald , 222-77; Sea Island G.C., St. Simons Island, Ga.; Entries: 211
1974	(Oct. 9-11) Justine B. Cushing , 231; Carolyn Cudone , 233; Lakewood G.C., Point Clear, Ala.; Entries: 122	1995	(Sept. 13-15) Jean Smith , 228; Marlene Streit , 229; Somerset C.C., Mendota Heights, Minn.; Entries: 151
1975	(Oct. 1-3) Alberta Bower , 234; Carolyn Cudone , 240; Rhode Island C.C., West Barrington, R.I. Entries: 109	1996	(Sept. 11-13) Gayle Borthwick , 226; Marlene Streit , Karen Oldham , 227; Broadmoor G.C., Seattle, Wash.; Entries: 191
1976	(Sept. 29 - Oct. 1) Cecile Maclaurin , 230; Carol Bowman , 237; Monterey Peninsula C.C. (Dunes Course), Pebble Beach, Calif.; Entries: 161	1997	(Oct. 20-25) Nancy Fitzgerald d. Toni Wiesner , 1 up; Yeamans Hall Club, Charleston, S.C.; Medalist — 149, Diana Schwab ; Entries: 233
1977	(Oct. 5-7) Dorothy Porter , 230; Alice Dye , 231; Dunes G. & B.C., Myrtle Beach, S.C.; Entries: 120	1998	(Sept. 14-19) Gayle Borthwick d. Valerie Hassett , 4 and 3; Golden Horseshoe G.C. (Green Course), Williamsburg, Va.; Medalist — *135, Toni Wiesner ; Entries: 114
1978	(Sept. 27-29) Alice Dye , 232-76; Cecile Maclaurin , 232-79; Rancho Bernardo G.C., San Diego, Calif.; Entries: 143	1999	(Sept. 14-19) Carol Semple Thompson d. Cecilia Mourgue-D'Algue , 19 holes; Desert Mountain Club (Cochise Course), Scottsdale, Ariz.; Medalist — 148, Gayle Borthwick ; Entries: 225
1979	(Sept. 26-28) Alice Dye , 223; Cecile Maclaurin , 230; Hardscrabble C.C., Fort Smith, Ark.; Entries: 123	2000	(Sept. 18-23) Carol Semple Thompson d. Toni Wiesner , 5 and 4; Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga.; Medalist — 151, Karen Mabli ; Entries: 391
1980	(Sept. 24-26) Dorothy Porter , 236; Cecile Maclaurin , 237; Sea Island G.C., St. Simons Island, Ga.; Entries: 186	2001	(Sept. 8-13) Carol Semple Thompson d. Anne Carr , 1 up; Allegheny C.C., Sewickley, Pa.; Medalist — 144, Marianne Towersey ; Entries: 335
1981	(Sept. 30 - Oct. 2) Dorothy Porter , 238; Alice Dye , 242; Spring Lake (N.J.) G.C.; Entries: 113		
1982	(Sept. 29 - Oct. 1) Edean Ihlanfeldt , 232; Mary Ann Morrison , 236; Kissing Camels G.C., Colorado Springs, Colo.; Entries: 154		

- 2002 (Oct. 5-10) **Carol Semple Thompson** d. **Barbara Berkmeier**, 3 and 1; Mid Pines Inn and G.C., Southern Pines, N.C.; Medalist — 150, **Carol Semple Thompson**; Entries: 418
- 2003 (Sept. 6-11) **Marlene Streit** d. **Nancy Fitzgerald**, 23 holes; Barton Creek R. & C. (Foothills Course), Austin, Texas; Medalist — 145, **Sherry Bowman**; Entries: 343
- 2004 (Oct. 9-14) **Carolyn Creekmore** d. **Liz Haines**, 1 up; Pasatiempo G.C., Santa Cruz, Calif.; Medalist — 150, **Robin Weiss Donnelley**; Entries: 394
- 2005 (Sept. 17-22) **Diane Lang** d. **Carol Semple Thompson**, 1 up; The Apawamis Club, Rye, N.Y.; Medalist — 151, **Carol Semple Thompson**; Entries: 457
- 2006 (Oct. 7-12) **Diane Lang** d. **Anna Schultz**, 1 up; Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga.; Medalist — 145, **Cecilia Mourgue D'Algue**; Entries: 543
- 2007 (Sept. 1-6) **Anna Schultz** d. **Robyn Puckett**, 20 holes, Sunriver (Ore.) Resort (Meadows Course); Medalist — 145, **Patty Moore**; Entries: 497
- 2008 (Sept. 20-25) **Diane Lang** d. **Toni Wiesner**, 6 and 5; Tulsa (Okla.) C.C.; Medalist — 142, **Carolyn Creekmore**; Entries: 478
- 2009 (Sept. 12-17) **Sherry G. Herman** d. **Carolyn Creekmore**, 4 and 3; The Homestead (Cascades Course), Hot Springs, Va.; Medalist — 142, **Joan Higgins**; Entries: 502
- 2010 (Oct. 9-14) **Mina Hardin** d. **Alexandra Frazier**, 2 and 1; Fiddlesticks C.C. (Long Mean Course), Fort Myers, Fla.; Medalist — 144, **Leigh Klasse**; Entries: 543
- 2011 (Sept. 10-15) **Terri Frohnmayer** d. **Mina Hardin**, 2 and 1; The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Medalist — 139, **Lisa Schlesinger**; Entries: 507
- 2012 (Sept. 8-13) **Ellen Port** d. **Jane Fitzgerald**, 4 and 3; Hershey (Pa.) C.C. (West Course); Medalist — 149, **Lisa Schlesinger**; Entries: 532
- 2013 (Sept. 21-26) **Ellen Port** d. **Susan Cohn**, 3 and 2; CordeValle, San Martin, Calif.; Medalist — 147, **Akemi Nakata Khaiat**; Entries: 544
- 2014 (Sept. 13-18) **Joan Higgins** d. **Judith Kyrinis**, 1 up; Hollywood G.C., Deal, N.J.; Medalist — 144, **Ellen Port**; Entries: 554
- 2015 (Sept. 26 - Oct. 1) **Karen Garcia** d. **Pamela Kuong**, 1 up; Hillwood C.C., Nashville, Tenn.; Medalist — 145, **Mary Ann Hayward**; Entries: 544

• Record score (stroke-play format) (1992)

* Record score (match-play format) (1998)

§ Record entry (2014)

Records

Age

Oldest Champion (years/months/days)

69/6/2 **Marlene Streit**, 2003

Champions

Most Victories

5 **Carolyn Cudone** (1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972)
 4 **Dorothy Porter** (1977, 1980, 1981, 1983)
 4 **Anne Sander** (1987, 1989, 1990, 1993)
 4 **Carol Semple Thompson** (1999, 2000, 2001, 2002)
 3 **Marlene Streit** (1985, 1994, 2003)
 3 **Diane Lang** (2005, 2006, 2008)

Consecutive Victories

5 **Carolyn Cudone** (1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972)
 4 **Carol Semple Thompson** (1999, 2000, 2001, 2002)
 2 **Loma Smith** (1964, 1965)
 2 **Alice Dye** (1978, 1979)
 2 **Dorothy Porter** (1980, 1981)
 2 **Anne Sander** (1989, 1990)
 2 **Diane Lang** (2005, 2006)
 2 **Ellen Port** (2012, 2013)

Winners of U.S. Women's Amateur and U.S. Senior Women's Amateur (4)

Dorothy Porter (1949 Women's Amateur; 1977, 1980, 1981, 1983 Senior Women's Amateur)
Anne Sander (1958, 1961, 1963 Women's Amateur; 1987, 1989, 1990, 1993 Senior Women's Amateur)
Marlene Streit (1956 Women's Amateur; 1985, 1994, 2003 Senior Women's Amateur)
Carol Semple Thompson (1973 Women's Amateur; 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 Senior Women's Amateur)

Winners of U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur and U.S. Senior Women's Amateur (3)

Ellen Port (1995, 1996, 2000, 2011 Women's Mid-Amateur; 2012, 2013 Senior Women's Amateur)
Carol Semple Thompson (1990, 1997 Women's Mid-Amateur; 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 Senior Women's Amateur)
Joan Higgins (2008 Women's Mid-Amateur; 2014 Senior Women's Amateur)

Longest Span Between Victories

9 years **Marlene Streit** (1985, 1994, 2003)

Course

Longest Course

6,225 yards **Country Club of Florida**, Delray Beach, Fla., 1963

Shortest Course

5,515 yards **The Homestead (Cascades Course)**, Hot Springs, Va., 2009

Most Times Host Site

6 **Sea Island G.C.**, St. Simons Island, Ga. (1971, 1980, 1988, 1994, 2000, 2006)

Entries

Largest

554 (2014)

Smallest

53 (1964)

Match Play

Largest Winning Margin

8 and 7 **Anne Sander** d. **Arleene Wilkolaski**, third round, Golden Horseshoe G.C. (Green Course), Williamsburg, Va., 1998
 8 and 7 **Marlene Streit** d. **Mary Jane Barnes**, first round, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga., 2000
 8 and 7 **Elizabeth Haines** d. **Roberta Bolduc**, second round, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga., 2000
 8 and 7 **Connie Shorb** d. **Mary Gale**, second round, Mid Pines Inn and G.C., Southern Pines, N.C., 2002
 8 and 7 **Lisa Schlesinger** d. **Kim Cure**, first round, The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn., 2011
 8 and 7 **Lecia Alexander** d. **Julie Harrison**, quarterfinals, Hershey (Pa.) C.C. (West Course), 2012
 8 and 6 **Marianne Towersey** d. **Valeta Pittman**, first round, Mid Pines Inn and G.C., Southern Pines, N.C., 2002
 8 and 6 **Karen Mabli** d. **Lynne Jones**, first round, Mid Pines Inn and G.C., Southern Pines, N.C., 2002
 8 and 6 **Diane Lang** d. **Annette Gaiotti**, semifinals, The Apawamis Club, Rye, N.Y., 2005
 8 and 6 **Terrill Samuel** d. **Heidy Munn**, first round, Hollywood G.C., Deal, N.J., 2014

8 and 6 **Laura Algiero** d. **Jen Holland**, second round, Hollywood G.C., Deal, N.J., 2014

8 and 6 **Judith Kyrinis** d. **Laura Algiero**, third round, Hollywood G.C., Deal, N.J., 2014

Largest Winning Margin, Final

6 and 5 **Diane Lang** d. **Toni Wiesner**, Tulsa (Okla.) C.C., 2008

5 and 4 **Carol Semple Thompson** d. **Toni Wiesner**, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga., 2000

Longest Match

24 holes **Marlene Streit** d. **Marianne Towersey**, semifinals, Barton Creek R. & C. (Foothills Course), Austin, Texas, 2003

Longest Final Match

23 holes **Marlene Streit** d. **Nancy Fitzgerald**, Barton Creek R. & C. (Foothills Course), Austin, Texas, 2003

Most Extra-Hole Matches, Championship

13 Golden Horseshoe G.C. (Green Course), Williamsburg, Va., 1998

11 Fiddlesticks C.C. (Long Mean Course), Fort Myers, Fla., 2010

10 Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga., 2000

Fewest Extra-Hole Matches, Championship

2 Allegheny C.C., Sewickley, Pa., 2001

Fewest Match-Play Holes Needed by Champion

85 **Ellen Port**, Hershey (Pa.) C.C. (West Course), 2012

Most Match-Play Holes Needed by Champion

115 **Marlene Streit**, Barton Creek R. & C. (Foothills Course), Austin, Texas, 2003

102 **Carol Semple Thompson**, Desert Mountain Club (Cochise Course), Scottsdale, Ariz., 1999

102 **Karen Garcia**, Hillwood C.C., Nashville, Tenn., 2015

Most Match-Play Victories

47 **Carol Semple Thompson**

37 **Toni Wiesner**

33 **Carolyn Creekmore**

70 **Betty Probasco**, Tournament Players Course, The Woodlands, Texas, 1989

70 **Alice Dye**, Hardscrabble C.C., Fort Smith, Ark., 1979

70 **Marlene Streit**, Sheraton Savannah R. & C.C., Savannah, Ga., 1985

70 **Lisa Schlesinger**, Hershey (Pa.) C.C. (West Course), 2012

Lowest Score, Second Round

67 **Betty Probasco**, Pine Needles L. & G.C., Southern Pines, N.C., 1991

68 **Toni Wiesner**, Golden Horseshoe G.C. (Green Course), Williamsburg, Va., 1998

68 **Joan Higgins**, The Homestead (Cascades Course), Hot Springs, Va., 2009

68 **Leigh Klasse**, Fiddlesticks C.C. (Long Mean Course), Fort Myers, Fla., 2010

69 **Cecilia Morgue D'Algue**, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga., 2006

69 **Toni Wiesner**, Sunriver (Ore.) Resort (Meadows Course), 2007

69 **Carolyn Creekmore**, Tulsa (Okla.) C.C., 2008

Lowest Score, 36 Holes

135 **Toni Wiesner** (67-68), Golden Horseshoe G.C. (Green Course), Williamsburg, Va., 1998 (medalist)

139 **Lisa Schlesinger** (68-71), The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn., 2011 (medalist)

142 **Carolyn Creekmore** (73-69), Tulsa (Okla.) C.C., 2008 (medalist)

142 **Joan Higgins** (74-68), The Homestead (Cascades Course), Hot Springs, Va., 2009 (medalist)

Lowest Score, Third Round (1962-1996)

68 **Carol Ellis**, Pine Needles L. & G.C., Southern Pines, N.C., 1991

70 **Muffy Marlio**, Lakewood G.C., Point Clear, Ala., 1986

Low Score, 54 Holes (1962-1996)

220 **Rosemary Thompson**, Tucson (Ariz.) C.C., 1992

221 **Phyllis Preuss**, Pine Needles L. & G.C., Southern Pines, N.C., 1991

Largest Winning Margin, Stroke Play (1962-1996)

10 **Carolyn Cudone**, Monterey Peninsula C.C. (Dunes Course), Pebble Beach, Calif., 1968

Longest Playoff, Stroke Play (1962-1996)

22 holes Country Club of Florida, 1963 (**Marion Choate** 81-17, **Maureen Orcutt** 81-19)

Most Times Medalist

2 **Carol Semple Thompson** (2002, 2005)

2 **Lisa Schlesinger** (2011, 2012)

Stroke Play

Lowest Score, First Round

67 **Toni Wiesner**, Golden Horseshoe G.C. (Green Course), Williamsburg, Va., 1998

68 **Lisa Schlesinger**, The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn., 2011

**Largest Winning Margin By Medalist in Stroke-Play Qualifying
(1997-Present)**

- 9 **Ellen Port** (73-71), Hollywood G.C., Deal, N.J., 2014
- 8 **Toni Wiesner** (67-68), Golden Horseshoe G.C. (Green Course), Williamsburg, Va., 1998
- 7 **Lisa Schlesinger** (68-71), The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn., 2011

Miscellaneous

Most Times Runner-Up

- 5 **Marlene Streit** (1986, 1988, 1990, 1995, 1996)

International Medalists

Gayle Borthwick, Canada, 1999
Cecilia Mourgue D'Algue, France, 2006
Akemi Nakata Khaiat, Japan, 2013
Mary Ann Hayward, Canada, 2015

Holes-In-One (10)

Sally Wessels, first round, stroke play, 3rd hole, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga., 2000
Caroline Ramsey, second round, stroke play, 12th hole, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga., 2000
Ouida Cunningham, second round, stroke play, 6th hole, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga., 2000
Christine Malmgren, second round, stroke play, 17th hole, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga., 2000
Sharon Kiel, second round, stroke play, 8th hole, Mid Pines Inn and G.C., Southern Pines, N.C., 2002
Nancy Smith, second round, match play, 15th hole, Pasatiempo G.C., Santa Cruz, Calif., 2004
Patricia French, second round, stroke play, 16th hole, Sunriver (Ore.) Resort, 2007
Carolyn Creekmore, first round, stroke play, 11th hole, The Homestead (Cascades Course), Hot Springs, Va., 2009
Deb Anderson, first round, stroke play, 5th hole, Fiddlesticks C.C. (Long Mean Course), Fort Myers, Fla., 2010
Anna Schultz, second round, match play, 17th hole, Hershey (Pa.) C.C. (West Course), 2012