U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship

Record Book

2020
Lukas Michel Wins the 2019 Championship

The Robert T. Jones Jr. Memorial Trophy is headed overseas. Lukas Michel, 25, of Australia, became the first international golfer to win the U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship, rallying twice from 3-down deficits to defeat Joseph Deraney, 36, of Tupelo, Miss., 2 and 1, in the 36-hole final at Colorado Golf Club.

By winning the 39th playing of this national championship for players 25 years of age and older, Michel earns an exemption into the 2020 U.S. Open Championship at Winged Foot Golf Club in Mamaroneck, N.Y., scheduled for June 18-21. He’s also the second Australian to claim a USGA title in 2019, joining U.S. Women’s Amateur champion Gabriela Ruffels, and the 12th overall from his country to win a USGA championship.

“Being the first international to win, I mean, it’s a massive thing,” said Michel. “Being the first of anything to win something is always great, a great feeling.

[Saying I’m a USGA champion] sounds unbelievable. It sounds almost too good to be true. Yeah, I guess it will sink in in the coming hours or days. But, yeah, I mean, I’m looking forward to what comes with it in the future for my golf.”

An idyllic mid-September day greeted the players with temperatures climbing into the 70s and low humidity. The morning 18 of the final was calm in terms of wind, but the breeze picked up after the lunch break, with gusts in the 15-20 mph range.

As the temperature heated up throughout the day, so did Michel’s putter, and it was the flat stick that carried him to the championship. He grabbed his first lead since the second hole on the par-5 33rd, converting a challenging 12-foot birdie putt. One hole later, he lagged a 30-foot eagle putt from the fringe to 18 inches for what turned into a winning birdie when Deraney failed to make his 12-footer.

“Over 36 holes when a guy doesn’t miss a putt inside 10 feet, eventually it was tough to beat him, right?” said Deraney. “He might have missed one putt inside 10 feet [on 12 in the morning]. He played great and putted probably the best I’ve ever seen over the course of, what, 35 holes?”

Deraney, a stay-at-home dad who has captured the last two Canadian Mid-Amateur titles, had a chance to force the match to a 36th hole when he knocked his pitching-wedge tee shot to the downhill, 211-yard, par-3 35th hole to 10 feet. But the putt broke to the right more than he thought.

There was briefly an awkward moment on the green after Deraney missed. He took off his hat and went up to congratulate Michel, not realizing he still had a 3-footer left for par. So, after premature applause from the spectators, the Australian quickly regathered himself and snuck the putt in on the right side.

“It was nerve-wracking, obviously,” said Michel. “But I holed it.”

Then he leaped into the air and enjoyed a bear-hug with his caddie, William Davenport, a 2019 U.S. Mid-Amateur competitor who had been eliminated in the Round of 64 by 2016 champion Stewart Hagestad. Soon afterward, he was lifting the trophy.

“I didn’t want to damage the greens,” said Michel of his leap, “but they were so firm I don’t think I could.”

Over the 35 holes, Michel shot the equivalent of 4 under par, with the usual match-play concessions, and Deraney was 3 under. Since the 12th hole of the morning round, the two competitors only tied six holes.

Had it not been for a change in the World Amateur Golf Ranking™ exemption – from anyone in the top 400 to the first 30 age-eligible players in the WAGR – Michel likely would not have made the 20-plus-hour trans-Pacific flight from Melbourne to Denver. Traveling that far for an 18-hole qualifier with limited spots didn’t make much sense, especially since Michel, currently No. 287 in the WAGR, had already been to the U.S. earlier this summer to play in the Sunnehanna Amateur, Northeast Amateur and North & South Amateur. After failing to qualify for the U.S. Amateur in July, he flew home, about a month before qualifying began for the U.S. Mid-Amateur.

“American golf is the best golf in the world, there’s no question about it,” said Michel. “So coming over and playing great golf and beating a really strong field of mostly America’s best mid-amateurs. I mean, that’s everything. And the world’s best mid-amateurs now because of that new exemption criteria.

“Obviously, it makes the field stronger and harder to win and all that, but I’m obviously happy that exemption category was added. I think it makes the event stronger and I think that’s got to be a positive thing.”

In both the morning and afternoon rounds, Deraney built 3-up leads, only to see Michel make comebacks. The turning point in the morning came when Michel claimed three consecutive holes from No. 13 to tie the match, including birdies on the 341-yard, par-4 14th (6½-foot after a nice bunker shot) and 592-yard, par-5 15th (conceded after lagging 40-foot eagle putt to 2 feet).

Deraney, who is 217 in the WAGR, then won the par-5 16th with a nice up-and-down birdie (6 feet) from the hill right of the green. Michel followed by making a 25-foot, left-to-right breaking birdie putt on the 211-yard 17th hole. Deraney went into the lunch break by hitting a perfect 56-degree wedge approach to 4 feet, setting up a winning birdie for a 1-up advantage.

Following lunch, Deraney binned Nos. 19 and 21 to regain his 3-up lead, and began a stretch of six consecutive untied holes, leaving Deraney 2 up headed to the final nine.
### 39th U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship

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#### Colorado Golf Club

**Par:** 36-36—72  
**Yardage:** 7,561

#### Stroke-Play Co-Host:

**CommonGround Golf Course**  
**Par:** 36-34—70  
**Yardage:** 7,470  
**Entries:** 4,751

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**Final:**  
**Thursday, Sept. 19**  
Lukas Michel def. Joseph Deraney 2 and 1

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Sept. 14-19, 2019, Colorado Golf Club, Parker, Colo.
Complete Stroke-Play Results

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136 Ben Warnquist, Gaithersburg, Md., 68cg-68cm
137 Robbie Ziegler, Portland, Ore., 67cg-70cm; Ryan Eibner, Dallas, Texas, 75cm-76cg; Brandon Dalinka, New York, N.Y., 69cm-68cg; Paul McNamara, Dallas, Texas, 70cm-67cg
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140 Jack Dukeminier, Beaverton, Ore., 71cg-69cm
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163 Doug Garner, Madison, Miss., 86cg-77cm; Chris Condello, Orlando, Fla., 83cg-80cm; Cam Moniz, Seekonk, Mass., 82cg-81cm; Michael O’Neil, Jacksonville, Fla., 89cg-74cm; Chris Locker, Chapin, S.C., 87cg-76cm; Daniel Webb, Tyler, Texas, 80cm-83cg; Michael Fastert, Des Plaines, Ill., 79cm-84cg; Eddie Davis, San Mateo, Calif., 74cm-89cg; David Lebowitz, Santa Monica, Calif., 77cm-86cg

164 Riaz Rattansi, England, 86cg-78cm; Brent Herlihy, New York, N.Y., 73cm-91cg; Blake Onkka, Prior Lake, Minn., 76cm-88cg

165 Ben Lukehart, Towson, Md., 85cg-80cm; Brad Wilder, Fort Wright, Ky., 78cm-87cg

166 James Welch, Albany, N.Y., 86cg-80cm; Colton Knedler, Manhattan Beach, Calif., 86cg-80cm

167 Tanner Davis, Knoxville, Tenn., 88cg-79cm

168 Josh Nichols, Apex, N.C., 80cg-88cm

171 Mitch Donald, Vail, Colo., 86cm-85cg

174 Jason Zubatkin, Somers, N.Y., 85cm-89cg

WD Alex Snickenberger, Boston, Mass., 74cm; Jeff Wilson, Fairfield, Calif., 84cg; Tim Beams, Newport Beach, Calif.; Andrew Price, Lake Bluff, Ill.
In 1981, the USGA inaugurated its first new championship for amateurs in 19 years, 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 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), and 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. Harris remains the last mid-amateur to win the U.S. 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. Holtgrieve and Lewis each later captained a pair of USA Walker Cup Teams.

Nathan Smith is the only four-time U.S. Mid-Amateur champion. He won his first title in 2003 after his opponent, Bryan Norton, withdrew due to injury after nine holes. Smith took back-to-back victories in 2009 and 2010, and won his fourth title in 2012, becoming just the 15th person to win the same USGA championship on at least four occasions.

In 1983, Sigel 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 five USGA championships.

In 1987’s first qualifying round, Don Bliss 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.

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. The Mid-Amateur also has helped several players earn berths to the USA Walker Cup Team. Sigel, Smith, Tim Jackson, Scott Harvey, Todd White, Danny Green, George Zahringer and William Hoffer are among those selected to represent their country off the strength of performances in the Mid-Amateur.

For the first time in USGA championship history, two courses were used in a 36-hole championship match in the 2016 final between Stewart Hagestad and Scott Harvey. The match at Stonewall, in Elverson, Pa., started with 18 holes on the par-70, 6,711-yard North Course, while the second 18 was played on the par-70, 6,870-yard Old Course.

In 2017, the U.S. Mid-Amateur champion received a full exemption from qualifying into the following year’s U.S. Open field. Matt Parziale, a firefighter from Brockton, Mass., became the first player to earn that exemption.
Championship Results: 1981 to 2019

1981 (Oct. 10-15) Jim Holtgrieve d. Bob Lewis Jr., 2 up; Bellerive C.C., St. Louis, Mo.; Medalists — 145, Jay Sigel, Jay Rustman; Entries: 1,638

1982 (Sept. 25-30) William Hoffer d. Jeffrey Ellis, 3 and 2; Knollwood Club, Lake Forest, Ill.; Medalist — 137, Jay Sigel; Entries: 1,779

1983 (Oct. 1-6) Jay Sigel d. Randy Sonnier, 1 up; Cherry Hills C.C., Englewood, Colo.; Medalists — 139, Lawrence Stubblefield, Randy Sonnier; Entries: 2,186

1984 (Sept. 29 – Oct. 4) Michael Podolak d. Bob Lewis Jr., 5 and 4; Atlanta Athletic Club (Highlands Course), Duluth, Ga.; Medalists — 146, Bob Lewis Jr., Danny Yates; Entries: 2,243

1985 (Nov. 9-14) Jay Sigel d. O. Gordon Brewer Jr., 3 and 2; The Vintage Club (Mountain Course), Indian Wells, Calif.; Medalist — 137, Dennis Saunders; Entries: 2,577

1986 (Oct. 4-9) Bill Loeffler d. Charles Pinkard, 4 and 3; Annandale G.C., Madison, Miss.; Medalist — 140, Larry Clark; Entries: 2,511

1987 (Oct. 3-8) Jay Sigel d. David Lind, 20 holes; Brook Hollow G.C., Dallas, Texas; Medalist — 139, Randy Sonnier; Entries: 2,630

1988 (Oct. 1-6) David Eger d. Scott Mayne, 2 and 1; Prairie Dunes C.C., Hutchinson, Kan.; Medalists — 140, Jay Sigel, Randy Sonnier, John Clark; Entries: 3,007

1989 (Oct. 29 – Oct. 4) Michael Podolak d. Bob Lewis Jr., 5 and 4; Atlanta Athletic Club (Highlands Course), Duluth, Ga.; Medalists — 146, Bob Lewis Jr., Danny Yates; Entries: 2,243

1990 (Oct. 6-11) Jim Stuart d. Mark Sollenberger, 1 up; Troon G. & C.C., Scottsdale, Ariz.; Medalist — 141, Mitch Voges; Entries: 3,377

1991 (Oct. 5-10) Jim Stuart d. Bert Atkinson, 1 up; Long Cove Club, Hilton Head Island, S.C.; Medalist — 135, Sean Knapp; Entries: 3,007

1992 (Sept. 29- Oct. 4) Danny Yates d. David Lind, 1 up; Detroit (Mich.) G.C. (North Course); Medalist — 140, John Grace; Entries: 3,692

1993 (Sept. 18-23) Jeff Thomas d. Joey Ferrari, 1 up; Eugene (Ore.) C.C.; Medalist — 139, Jay Coatta; Entries: 3,600

1994 (Sept. 17-22) Tim Jackson d. Tommy Brennan, 1 up; Hazeltine National G.C., Chaska, Minn.; Medalist — 136, Tom Kroll; Entries: 3,720

1995 (Sept. 16-21) Jerry Courville Jr. d. Warren Seye, 1 up; Caves Valley G.C., Owings Mills, Md.; Medalist — 139, John Harris; Entries: 3,885


1997 (Oct. 18-24) Ken Bakst d. Rick Stimmel, 1 up; Dallas Athletic Club (Blue Course), Mesquite, Texas; Medalist — 132, Bert Atkinson; Entries: 5,271

1998 (Oct. 3-8) John “Spider” Miller d. Chip Holcombe, 1 up; NCR C.C. (South Course), Dayton, Ohio; Medalist — 136, Steve Sheehan; Entries: 4,095

1999 (Sept. 25-30) Danny Green d. Jerry Courville, 1 up; San Joaquin C.C., Fresno, Calif.; Medalist — 139, Jim Wilson, Jeff Wilson, Darryl Donovan, Dale Fuller; Entries: 4,326

2000 (Sept. 9-14) Greg Puga d. Wayne Raath, 3 and 1; The Homestead (Cascades Course), Hot Springs, Va.; Medalists — 138, Jim Wilson, Jeff Wilson, Darryl Donovan, Dale Fuller; Entries: 4,667

2001 (Oct. 13-18) Tim Jackson d. George Zahringer, 1 up; San Joaquin C.C., Fresno, Calif.; Medalist — 132, Jeff Wilson; Entries: 4,667

2002 (Sept. 21-26) George Zahringer d. Jerry Courville Jr., 3 and 2; The Stanwich Club, Greenwich, Conn.; Medalists — 142, George Zahringer, Pat Carter, Bill Sharpe; Entries: 4,549

2003 (Oct. 11-16) Nathan Smith d. Bryan Norton, match conceded due to injury; Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course); Medalist — 137, Tripp Davis; Entries: 4,469

2004 (Oct. 2-7) Austin Eaton III d. Josh Dennis, 1 up; Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga.; Medalists — 137, Paul Simson, Jeff Wilson; Entries: 4,371

2005 (Sept. 10-15) Kevin Marsh d. Carlton Forrester, 10 and 9; The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Medalist — 138, Darin Newhouse; Entries: 4,130

2006 (Sept. 9-14) Dave Womack d. Ryan Hybl, 1 up; Forest Highlands G.C. (Canyon Course), Flagstaff, Ariz.; Medalists — 139, Carlton Forrester, Ryan Hybl, Trip Kuehne; Entries: 4,052

2007 (Sept. 29 – Oct. 4) Trip Kuehne d. Dan Whitaker, 9 and 7, Bandon Dunes (Ore.) G.R. (Bandon Dunes Course); Medalists — 144, Richard Berkemeyer, Tim Hogarth, Stephen Sear, George Zahringer, Trip Kuehne, Austin Eaton; Entries: 4,426

2008 (Sept. 6-11) Steve Wilson d. Todd Mitchell, 5 and 4; Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis.; Medalist — 138, Skip Berkemeyer; Entries: 3,839

2009 (Oct. 3-9) Nathan Smith d. Tim Spitz, 7 and 6; The Kiawah Island (S.C.) Club (Cassique Course); Medalists — 140, Mike McCoy, Nathan Smith; Entries: 4,188

2010 (Sept. 25-30) Nathan Smith d. Tim Hogarth, 7 and 5; Atlantic G.C., Bridgehampton, N.Y.; Medalists — 144, Nathan Smith, Scott Harvey, Tim Hogarth; Entries: 3,860

2011 (Sept. 17-22) Randal Lewis d. Kenny Cook, 3 and 2; Shadow Hawk G.C., Richmond, Texas; Medalist — 139, John Engler; Entries: 3,743
2012  (Sept. 8-13) Nathan Smith d. Garrett Rank, 1 up; Conway Farms G.C., Lake Forest, Ill.; Medalist — 141, Brad Valois; Entries: 3,821

2013  (Oct. 5-10) Michael McCoy d. Bill Williamson, 8 and 6; Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala.; Medalist — 136, Matthew Mattare; Entries: 4,329

2014  (Sept. 6-11) Scott Harvey d. Brad Nurski, 6 and 5; Saucon Valley C.C., Bethlehem, Pa.; Medalists — 141, Scott Harvey, Brad Nurski; Entries: 3,891

2015  (Oct. 3-8) Sammy Schmitz d. Marc Dull, 3 and 2; John’s Island Club (West Course), Vero Beach, Fla.; Medalists — 139, Scott Harvey, Matt Parziale; Entries: 4,024

2016  (Sept. 10-15) Stewart Hagestad d. Scott Harvey, 37 holes; Stonewall (Old Course & North Course), Elverson, Pa.; Medalists — 138, Michael Muehr, Thomas Werkmeister, Scott Harvey; Entries: 4,131

2017  (Oct. 7-13) Matt Parziale d. Josh Nichols, 8 and 6; Capital City Club (Crabapple Course), Atlanta, Ga.; Medalist — 136, Bradford Tilley; Entries: 4,386

2018  (Sept. 22-27) Kevin O’Connell d. Brett Boner, 4 and 3; Charlotte (N.C.) C.C.; Medalist — 137, Stephen Behr; Entries: 4,709

2019  (Sept. 14-19) Lukas Michel d. Joseph Deraney, 2 and 1; Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo.; Medalist — 136, Ben Warnquist; Entries: 4,751

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### Records

#### Age

**Oldest Champion (years/months/days)**
- 54/4/14  Randal Lewis, 2011
- 50/10/19  Michael McCoy, 2013
- 49/5/3  George Zahringer, 2002

**Youngest Champion**
- 25/2/10  Nathan Smith, 2003
- 25/5/5  Stewart Hagestad, 2016
- 25/7/27  Lukas Michel, 2019
- 27/10/25  Dave Womack, 2006
- 29/10/29  Greg Puga, 2000

#### Champions

**Most Victories**
- 2  Jim Stuart (1990, 1991)
- 2  Tim Jackson (1994, 2001)

**Consecutive Victories**
- 2  Jim Stuart (1990, 1991)

**Most Times in Final Match**

**International Champion**
- Lukas Michel, Australia (2019)

**Winner of U.S. Mid-Amateur and U.S. Amateur (1)**

**Winners of U.S. Mid-Amateur and U.S. Amateur Four-Ball (2)**
- Scott Harvey (2014 Mid-Amateur; 2019 Amateur Four-Ball)

**Longest Span Between Victories**
- 7 years  Tim Jackson (1994, 2001)

#### Course

**Longest Course**
- 7,561 yards  Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo., 2019
- 7,339 yards  Forest Highlands G.C. (Meadow Course, stroke-play co-host), Flagstaff, Ariz., 2006

**Shortest Course**
- 6,539 yards  Hartford G.C., West Hartford, Conn., 1996

#### Entries

**Largest**
- 5,271 (1997)
- 4,751 (2019)

**Smallest**
- 1,638 (1981)

#### Match Play

**Largest Winning Margin, 18-Hole Match**
- 9 and 8  Parker Smith d. Brian Woods, first round, The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn., 2005
- 9 and 7  Terry O’Loughlin d. Scott Dalesio, second round, Hartford G.C., West Hartford, Conn., 1996
- 9 and 7  Todd Mitchell d. Chris Lange, quarterfinals, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008
- 8 and 7  Rick DeWitt d. O. Gordon Brewer, first round, Troon G. & C.C., Scottsdale, Ariz., 1990
- 8 and 7  Kevin O’Connell d. Nick Reardon, first round, Charlotte (N.C.) C.C., 2018
- 8 and 6  J. Franklin Rose d. Donald J. Sayet, first round, Knollwood Club, Lake Forest, Ill., 1982
- 8 and 6  Rick Stimmel d. Thomas Fallon, quarterfinals, Dallas Athletic Club (Blue Course), Mesquite, Texas, 1997
- 8 and 6  George Zahringer d. Trey Treadwell, first round, San Joaquin C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001
- 8 and 6  Garrett Rank d. Scott Harvey, second round, Conway Farms G.C., Lake Forest, Ill., 2012
8 and 6  Bill Williamson d. Matt Schneider, quarterfinals, Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013
8 and 6  Jordan Sease d. Kyle Downey, first round, Charlotte (N.C.) C.C., 2018
8 and 6  Stewart Hagestad d. Bradley Wohlers, first round, Charlotte (N.C.) C.C., 2018

Largest Winning Margin, 36-Hole Final
10 and 9  Kevin Marsh d. Carlton Forrester, The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn., 2005
9 and 7  Trip Kuehne d. Dan Whitaker, Bandon Dunes (Ore.) G.R. (Bandon Dunes Course), 2007
8 and 6  Michael McCoy d. Bill Williamson, Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013
8 and 6  Matt Parziale d. Josh Nichols, Capital City Club (Crabapple Course), Atlanta, Ga., 2017

Largest Winning Margin, 18-Hole Final
5 and 4  Michael Podolak d. Bob Lewis Jr., Atlanta Athletic Club, Duluth, Ga., 1984
4 and 3  Bill Loeffler d. Charles Pinkard, Annandale G.C., Madison, Miss., 1986
4 and 3  James Taylor d. Bill Hadden, Crooked Stick G.C., Carmel, Ind., 1989

Largest Winning Margin, Semifinal
6 and 5  O. Gordon Brewer d. John Alexander, The Vintage Club (Mountain Course), Indian Wells, Calif., 1985
6 and 5  David Lind d. Craig Steinberg, Brook Hollow G.C., Dallas, Texas, 1987

Largest Winning Margin, Quarterfinal
9 and 7  Todd Mitchell d. Chris Lange, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008
8 and 6  Bill Williamson d. Matt Schneider, Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013
7 and 6  Michael McCoy d. Brendan Hester, The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn., 2005
7 and 6  Michael McCoy d. Bradley Bastion, Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013
7 and 6  Scott Harvey d. Denver Haddix, Saucon Valley C.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 2014
6 and 5  O. Gordon Brewer d. John Alexander, The Vintage Club (Mountain Course), Indian Wells, Calif., 1985
6 and 5  David Lind d. Craig Steinberg, Brook Hollow G.C., Dallas, Texas, 1987

Longest 18-Hole Match
27 holes  Jerry Courville Jr. d. Philip Ebner, first round, NCR C.C. (South Course), Dayton, Ohio, 1998
26 holes  Roy Schultheiss d. Worth Banner, first round, Troon G. & C.C., Scottsdale, Ariz., 1990
26 holes  Thomas Fallon d. Michael McCarthy, first round, Dallas Athletic Club (Blue Course), Mesquite, Texas, 1997
25 holes  Bill Hadden d. Mark Infalt, first round, Annandale G.C., Madison, Miss., 1986
25 holes  Ryan Hybl d. Carlton Forrester, semifinals, Forest Highlands G.C. (Canyon Course), Flagstaff, Ariz., 2006
24 holes  Jay Sigel d. Bob Lewis Jr., quarterfinals, Cherry Hills C.C., Englewood, Colo., 1983
24 holes  Steve Sheehan d. Jeff Kern, third round, NCR C.C. (South Course), Dayton, Ohio, 1998
24 holes  John McClure d. Arnold Cutsell, second round, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), Saint Simons Island, Ga., 2004
23 holes  Scott Mayne d. Richard Stultz, quarterfinals, Prairie Dunes C.C., Hutchinson, Kan., 1988
23 holes  Kevin Marsh d. Trip Kuehne, second round, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), Saint Simons Island, Ga., 2004
23 holes  Austin Eaton III d. Tim Hogarth, second round, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), Saint Simons Island, Ga., 2004
23 holes  Chris McCuaig d. Jeffrey Sohy, first round, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), Saint Simons Island, Ga., 2004
23 holes  Steve White d. Jordan Byrd, second round, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008
23 holes  Casey Boyns d. Tim Hogarth, first round, Conway Farms G.C., Lake Forest, Ill., 2012
23 holes Derek Busby d. Scott Harvey, first round, Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo., 2019

**Longest Semifinal Match**

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**Longest Final Match, 18 Holes (1981-2000)**

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**Longest Final Match, 36 Holes (2001-present)**

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<td>Jim Holtgrieve, Bellerive C.C., St. Louis, Mo.,</td>
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<td>Lukas Michel, Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo.,</td>
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**Most Extra-Hole Matches by One Player, Championship**

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### Most Consecutive Match-Play Victories

- **16** Nathan Smith (2003-2019)
- **12** Sean Knapp (1989-2018)
- **12** Michael McCoy (1994-2019)
- **12** Paul Simson (1986-2015)
- **12** Jay Sigel (1981-1993)
- **12** Nathan Smith (2003-2019)
- **12** George Zahringer (1981-2012)
- **12** Gene Elliott (1995-2018)
- **12** John Harris (1983-2001)
- **12** George (Buddy) Marucci (1981-2010)

### Lowest Score, 9 Holes

- **29** Mark Boyajian, first nine, first round, Annandale G.C., Madison, Miss., 1986
- **29** Bert Atkinson, first nine, second round, Dallas Athletic Club (Blue Course), Mesquite, Texas, 1997
- **29** Scott Fawcett, first nine, first round, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008

### Lowest Score, 18 Holes

- **63** Jim Wilson, first round, stroke-play co-host, The Homestead (Lower Course), Hot Springs, Va., 2000
- **64** Tom Kroll, first round, stroke-play co-host, Wayzata (Minn.) C.C., 1994
- **64** Bert Atkinson, second round, Dallas Athletic Club (Blue Course), Mesquite, Texas, 1997
- **64** Kevin Marsh, second round, stroke-play co-host, Black Creek Club, Chattanooga, Tenn., 2005
- **64** Stewart Hagestad, second round, Capital City Club (Crabapple Course), Atlanta, Ga., 2017
- **65** Jerry Courville Jr., second round, Hartford G.C., West Hartford, Conn., 1996
- **65** Matt Bettencourt, second round, stroke-play co-host, Fort Washington G. & C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001
- **65** Kenny Cook, second round, stroke-play co-host, Country Club of Birmingham (East Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013
- **65** Scott Harvey, first round, Saucon Valley C.C. (Old Course), Bethlehem, Pa., 2014
- **65** Robby McWilliams, second round, John’s Island Club (North Course), Vero Beach, Fla., 2015
- **65** Marc Engellenner, first round, stroke-play co-host, CommonGround G.C., Aurora, Colo., 2019

### Lowest Score, 36 Holes

- **132** Bert Atkinson, (68-64), Dallas Athletic Club (Blue and Gold Courses), Mesquite, Texas, 1997 (medalist)
- **132** Jeff Wilson, (66-66), San Joaquin C.C. and Fort Washington G. & C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001 (medalist)
135 Sean Knapp, (68-67), Crooked Stick G.C., Carmel, Ind., 1989 (medalist)
136 Tom Kroll, (64-72), Wayzata (Minn.) C.C. and Hazeltine National G.C., Chaska, Minn., 1994 (medalist)
136 Matthew Mattare, (67-69), Country Club of Birmingham (East and West Courses), Birmingham, Ala. (medalist)
136 Bradford Tilley, (69-67), Capital City Club (Crabapple Course) and Atlanta National G.C., Atlanta, Ga., 2017 (medalist)
136 Ben Warnquist, (68-68), Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo. and CommonGround G.C., Aurora, Colo., 2019 (medalist)

Most Times Medalist

Most Players to Tie for Medalist
6 Richard Berkemeyer, Tim Hogarth, Stephen Sear, George Zahringer, Trip Kuehne and Austin Eaton, Bandon Dunes (Ore.) G.R. (Bandon Dunes Course), 2007

Most Competitors in Playoff
25 Capital City Club (Crabapple Course), Atlanta, Ga. (for 16 places), 2017
22 Old Warson C.C., St. Louis, Mo. (for 12 places), 1999
21 Hazeltine National G.C., Chaska, Minn. (for three places), 1994
21 John’s Island Club (West Course), Vero Beach, Fla. (for two places), 2015

Longest Playoff to Qualify for Match Play
9 holes From 18 players, Joey Savoie d. Tyler Gulliksen for 64th spot, Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo., 2019

Lowest Stroke-Play Cut
158 (16-over) Atlanta Athletic Club (Highlands Course), Atlanta, Ga., 1984
158 (14-over) Bellerive C.C., St. Louis, Mo., 1981
157 (13-over) Troon G. & C.C., Scottsdale, Ariz., 1990
155 (15-over) Knollwood Club, Lake Forest, Ill., 1982

Highest Stroke-Play Cut
158 (16-over) Atlanta Athletic Club (Highlands Course), Atlanta, Ga., 1984
158 (14-over) Bellerive C.C., St. Louis, Mo., 1981
145 (2-over) Richard Berkemeyer, Tim Hogarth, Stephen Sear, George Zahringer, Trip Kuehne and Austin Eaton, Bandon Dunes G.R. (Bandon Dunes and Bandon Trails Courses), Bandon, Ore., 2007
144 (even-par) Nathan Smith, Scott Harvey and Tim Hogarth, Atlantic G.C. and The Bridge, Bridgehampton, N.Y., 2010

Miscellaneous

Holes-In-One (26)
Richard Blooston, second round, stroke play, 17th hole, Knollwood Club, Lake Forest, Ill., 1982
Donald Bliss, first round, stroke play, 10th hole (his first hole played), Brook Hollow G.C., Dallas, Texas, 1987
Donald Bliss, first round, stroke play, 8th hole (his 17th hole played), Brook Hollow G.C., Dallas, Texas, 1987
Tommy Bell, second round, stroke play, Troon G. & C.C., Scottsdale, Ariz., 1991
Buddy Trumpf, first round, stroke play, 13th hole, Hazeltine National G.C., Chaska, Minn., 1994
Casey Alexander, first round, 2nd hole, Tumble Brook C.C., Bloomfield, Conn., 1996
Win Bruning, first round, stroke play, 3rd hole, Bellerive C.C., St. Louis, Mo., 1999
Nick Desai, second round, stroke play, 8th hole, The Homestead (Lower Cascades Course), Hot Springs, Va., 2000
Tony DeLuca, second round, match play, 15th hole, The Homestead (Cascades Course), Hot Springs, Va., 2000
David Rathjen, second round, stroke play, 7th hole, San Joaquin C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001
R.J. Nakashian, first round, stroke play, 17th hole, Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course), 2003
Brian Westveer, first round, match play, 4th hole, Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course), 2003
Ron Schroeder, first round, match play, 4th hole, Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course), 2003
Don DuBois, second round, match play, 4th hole, Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course), 2003
Dave Womack, quarterfinals, match play, 14th hole, Forest Highlands G.C. (Canyon Course), Flagstaff, Ariz., 2006
Chester Guzek, first round, stroke play, 8th hole, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008
James Kieserman, second round, stroke play, 8th hole, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008
John Halverson, second round, stroke play, 8th hole, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008
Robert Gerwin, first round, stroke play, 5th hole, The Kiawah Island (S.C.) Club (Cassique), 2009
Serge Hogg, second round, stroke play, 5th hole, The Bridge, Bridgehampton, N.Y., 2010
Scott Congdon, second round, stroke play, 11th hole, Conway Farms G.C., Lake Forest, Ill., 2012
Troy Johnson, first round, stroke play, 13th hole, Country Club of Birmingham (East Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013
Paul Simson, first round, stroke play, 13th hole, Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013
B.W. Bruce, first round, stroke play, 6th hole (with 9-iron), Saucon Valley C.C. (Weyhill Course), Bethlehem, Pa., 2013
Sammy Schmitz, championship match, 33rd hole (club's 15th with a driver), John's Island Club (West Course), Vero Beach, Fla., 2015
Bob Royak, first round, stroke play, 6th hole (with a 6-iron), CommonGround G.C., Aurora, Colo., 2019

**Double Eagles (3)**

Rick Leal, second round, stroke play, 12th hole (with 4-iron), NCR C.C. (North Course), Dayton, Ohio, 1998
Derek Berg, first round, stroke play, 3rd hole (with 2-iron), Forest Highlands G.C. (Meadow Course), Flagstaff, Ariz., 2006
Sammy Schmitz, championship match, 33rd hole (club's 15th with a driver), John's Island Club (West Course), Vero Beach, Fla., 2015 (holed tee shot)