

THE 123RD SCGA & 8TH SCGA WOMEN'S

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS



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SCGA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DEAR COMPETITORS,

Welcome to the 123rd SCGA Amateur and the 8th SCGA Women's Amateur Championships!

Congratulations to all participants on qualifying for these prestigious events.

This year's Championships are extra special for me, as I have the honor of serving as President of the SCGA. Typically, these championships are hosted at the President's home club. Since I do not have a "home club," we needed to find a host site that was willing to host both championships at the same time, something that began in 2020 under Past SCGA President Fred MacFarlane, and something that I had hoped to be able to do again during my tenure.

We are so fortunate that San Diego CC stepped up to the plate to serve as our host this week. Not only is SDCC one of my favorite clubs in Southern California, but it has played host to a number of prestigious events over the club's 125-year history. From the U.S. Women's Amateur and U.S. Women's Open, to the PGA TOUR's San Diego Open and Pacific Coast Amateur, the 2022 SCGA Amateur and Women's Amateur Championships are sure to add to the long historic list of amazing events and prominent champions. The last time SDCC hosted this championship was in 2013, when Beau Hossler beat Xander Schauffelle by three strokes to win his first of two SCGA Amateur titles.

I can't wait for a great week of celebrating the best men and women amateur golfers in our region. It will be my honor to present the trophies to our champions!

Enjoy the week, play well, and have fun!



Nikki Gatch, PGA

President, Southern California Golf Association

COO/Asst. Executive Director, Southern California PGA

FROM SAN DIEGO CC

DEAR COMPETITORS,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, membership, and staff of San Diego CC, we would like to welcome you to the 123rd SCGA Amateur and 8th SCGA Women's Amateur Championships.

San Diego CC was established in 1897 and has served as host to many prestigious professional and amateur tournaments. We are proud to include the 123rd SCGA Amateur and 8th SCGA Women's Amateur Championships to that list. We hope the participants will find the course to be an excellent and fair test of golf. We are confident the players' families and spectators alike will enjoy watching Southern California's finest amateurs compete for this distinguished prize.

We especially want to thank the staff, the member volunteer committees, and the SCGA, all of whom have worked diligently to ensure a successful championship. We are pleased to have you here and look forward to crowning another champion at our historic golf course.



Chris Booth

President, San Diego Country Club



HISTORY OF SAN DIEGO COUNTRY CLUB

San Diego CC is a hidden gem. Marking 100 years at it's Chula Vista location, SDCC has managed to preserve time-honored tradition while maintaining relevance for the modern player.

The club established in 1897 as a nine-hole course in Balboa Park, CA, then moved to Point Loma in 1914 because it was forced out in order to build the Exposition buildings and the San Diego Zoo. During World War 1, the Navy took away nine holes at Point Loma, but in 1920 SDCC purchased 160 acres in Chula Vista and opened Labor Day weekend of 1921.

A championship caliber 18-hole layout, SDCC provides pristine playing conditions year-round. The course is generous from the tee box, but the rolling fairways and expansive greens place a premium on strategy and creativity in the short-game. The poa-annua greens are recognized as some of the best on the West Coast and have been awarded "Best Greens in Southern California" by the Southern California Golf Association.

Hosted 1952-1953 PGA Tour San Diego Open (Joe Louis became the first African American to compete in a PGA Tour Event)

1964 USGA Women's Open Championship (Won by Mickey Wright, Honorary Member SDCC)

1993, 2017 USGA Women's Amateur Championship (Won by Jill McGill '93, Sophia Schubert '17)

2002, 2007 Pacific Coast Amateur (Won by Brock Mackenzie '02, Mike Knight '07)

2013 SCGA Amateur Championship (Won by Beau Hossler)

Lamkin Intercollegiate 2008-2018



COURSE OVERVIEW

CLUB ESTABLISHED: 1921

ARCHITECT: William Watson; Remodeled by Billy Bell

GREENS: Poa Annua

FAIRWAYS: Common Bermuda

ROUGH: Common Bermuda

COURSE RATING: 74.5 / 77.1

SLOPE: 135 / 138

YARDAGE: 7,033 / 6,515

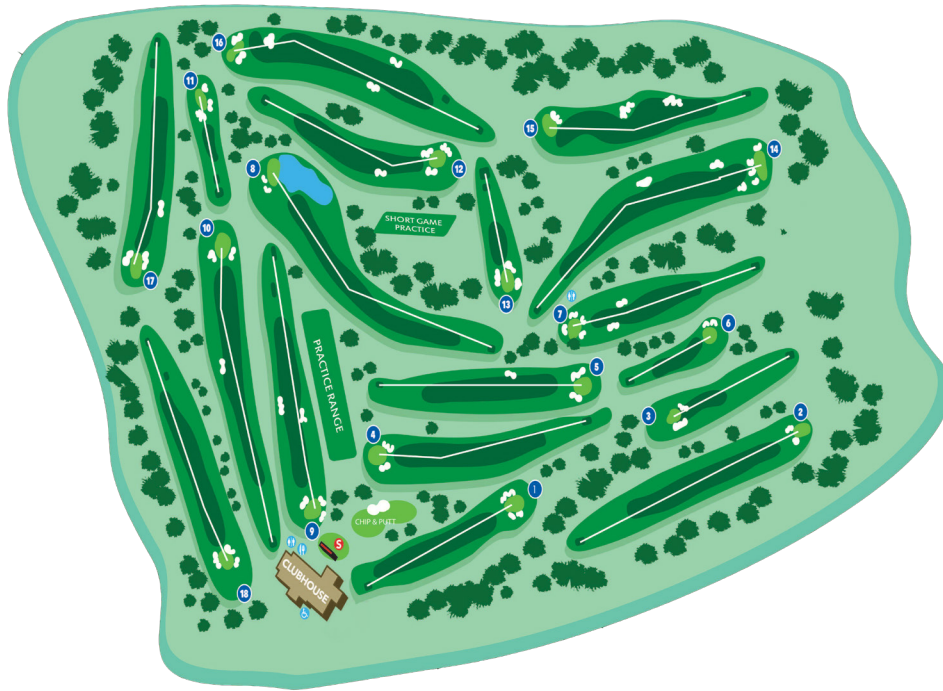
GENERAL MANAGER: Todd Hale

HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL: Jeff Munak

SUPERINTENDENT: Jack Aldrich



COURSE MAP



MEN'S SCORECARD

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT
YARDAGE	368	513	236	461	401	187	377	563	427	3,533
PAR	4	5	3	4	4	3	4	5	4	36

HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
YARDAGE	438	158	390	202	485	397	603	367	460	3,500	7,033
PAR	4	3	4	3	4	4	5	4	4	35	71

WOMEN'S SCORECARD

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT
YARDAGE	368	498	194	400	380	180	341	500	378	3,239
PAR	4	5	3	4	4	3	4	5	4	36

HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
YARDAGE	418	158	369	181	478	376	526	367	403	3,276	6,515
PAR	4	3	4	3	5	4	5	4	4	36	72

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND FORMAT

MONDAY, AUGUST 1: ROUND 1

MEN: Tee times from 7:30 – 9:40 a.m. (Holes 1 & 10)

WOMEN: Tee times from 12:45 – 2:35 p.m. (Holes 1 & 10)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2: ROUND 2

WOMEN: Tee times from 7:30 – 9:20 a.m. (Holes 1 & 10)

**Following the second round, the SCGA Women's Amateur field will be cut to the low 30 scores plus ties for the final round.*

MEN: Tee times from 12:25 – 2:35 p.m. (Holes 1 & 10)

**Following the second round, the SCGA Amateur field will be cut to the low 42 scores plus ties for the final two rounds.*

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3: ROUND 3

MEN: Tee times from 7 – approx. 9:10 a.m. (Hole 1)

FINAL ROUND

WOMEN: Tee times from approx. 9:20 – 11 a.m. (Hole 1)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4: FINAL ROUND - SCGA AMATEUR

Tee times from 7 – approx. 9:10 a.m. (Hole 1)

AWARDS

Awards for both championships will be presented immediately following the final round. In the event of a tie for first place only, a three-hole aggregate playoff will commence following the conclusion of regular play to determine the champion.



CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

STARTING TIMES AND PAIRINGS

- » Starting times and pairings will be emailed to players and posted online at scga.org/amateur and scga.org/womensam one week in advance of the championship.
- » The lead group should plan to be at their assigned tee 10 minutes in advance of their starting time. Subsequent groups are encouraged to arrive once the preceding group has teed off. Players arriving late will be penalized under Rule 5.3a of the Rules of Golf. For example, the 9:00 a.m. starting time is defined as 9:00:00, and players arriving after that time are considered late.

PRACTICE ROUNDS

- » Practice rounds will be available on Tuesdays – Thursdays, beginning on July 12.
- » Practice rounds will cost \$125, including cart.
- » Once the championship field is finalized, players will be provided instructions as to how to secure a practice round reservation through the Event Portal. **Players should not contact San Diego CC to arrange a practice round.**
- » **Practice rounds are for players only. Players may bring a caddie, but the caddie may not play.**



TEES AND HOLE YARDAGES

- » Click [here](#) to view the hole-by-hole yardage ranges for the SCGA Amateur Championship.
- » Click [here](#) to view the hole-by-hole yardage ranges for the SCGA Women's Amateur Championship.

PARKING AND REGISTRATION

- » Ample parking is available at the facility.
- » All participants must check in at the registration table located near the practice putting green upon arrival on Monday.

DRIVING RANGE

The driving range will be open one hour prior to play each day of the championships.



LOCKER ROOM

Players will have access to the club's locker rooms, which will open one hour prior to play each day of the championship.

DRESS CODE

Appropriate golf attire must be worn, including adhering to any club-specific policies.

FOOD SERVICE - PLAYERS

- » Lunch will be hosted for players each day of the championship between the hours of 11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- » Additionally, the snack bar will be available for purchases with major credit cards.

FOOD SERVICE - CADDIES & SPECTATORS

- » Spectators are welcome and encouraged to attend the SCGA Amateur Championship.
- » Spectators will not be permitted in golf carts.
- » If spectators have any questions leading up to the event, please contact the SCGA Championships & Golf Operations Department at champs@scga.org.

GOLF SHOP PURCHASES

Major credit cards, and in some cases reciprocal charges, will be accepted for golf shop purchases.

ADDITIONAL SPECTATOR INFORMATION

- » Spectators are welcome and encouraged to attend the SCGA Amateur Championship.
- » Spectators will not be permitted in golf carts.
- » If spectators have any questions leading up to the event, please contact the SCGA Championships & Golf Operations Department at champs@scga.org.

CELL PHONE POLICY

- » Players, caddies, and spectators should turn mobile devices off or to silent mode while on the property and limit calls to the club's parking lot.
- » Live scoring will be available throughout the championship at scga.org.

PHOTO GALLERY

Professional photos will be taken throughout the championship. Photos will be available online and are available for download and purchase at scga.pixieset.com.

LODGING

No lodging arrangements in 2022.



RULES OF PLAY

- » Prior to participating, participants must review the SCGA's Policies & Procedures.
- » The [Rules of Golf](#) as approved by the USGA and The R&A govern play.
- » Local Rules and Terms of the Competition can be found on the [SCGA Hard Card](#) and the Notice to Players that will be emailed to players the day prior to the qualifier.
- » Click here to review the [SCGA Pace of Play Policy](#).



CADDIES

Players may provide their own caddie (see section below on Golf Carts).

GOLF CARTS & PULL/PUSH CARTS

- » During a round, a player must not ride on any form of motorized transportation except as authorized or later approved by the Committee. Model Local Rule G-6.
- » Players seeking to use a golf cart due to a medical or ADA-related reason must contact the SCGA in advance of the qualifier.
- » Pull or push carts (including motorized pull or push carts) are allowed.

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

- » To withdraw for any reason prior to the start of the championship, a player must notify the SCGA Championships & Golf Operations Department at champs@scga.org or (818) 980-3630.
- » Failure to notify tournament staff will subject the player to suspension from future SCGA competitions.

Refund Policy:

- » Cancellation prior to the entry closing date: **Full refund less a \$20 administrative fee.**
- » Cancellation after the entry closing date and more than 48 hours prior to the start of the competition: **50% of the entry fee.**
- » Cancellation within 48 hours of the start of the competition: **No refund.**



For a complete listing of SCGA tournament policies and procedures, click [here](#).

PACE OF PLAY POLICY

The Tournament Committee at each competition will determine the maximum allowable time each group is permitted to play the round. This time will be posted on each player's scorecard and each player is expected to maintain a pace faster than the maximum allowable time. The round ends when all players in the group have holed out at the final hole.

LEAD GROUP(S):

The lead group(s) must finish their round within the maximum allowable time established by the committee. If they finish over the maximum allowable time, **each player will be assessed a penalty of two strokes** to their score for the final hole.

- » Exception: If the lead group is held up by play that was sent out before them, or play that began on another starting hole, they will be exempt from penalty if they finish over their maximum allowable time but within **14** minutes of the group in front of them.

SUBSEQUENT GROUPS:

Subsequent groups must finish their round within the maximum allowable time established by the committee. If they finish over the maximum allowable time, they must finish within **14** minutes of the group in front of them. If they finish over the maximum allowable time and more than **14** minutes behind the group in front of them, **each player will be assessed a penalty of two strokes** to their score for the final hole.

EXEMPTIONS FROM PENALTY:

If a group does not finish within their maximum allowable time due to circumstances beyond their control (such as a ruling or a ball search on the final hole, or any other circumstances which the Committee deems to be exceptional) but was otherwise in position during the play of the final four holes, the Committee may be justified in waiving the penalty. Being in position means to be at a point on the course within 14 minutes of when the group in front of you was at that same point.

Any group that has a slow, deliberate, or non-responsive player may report the player to SCGA officials at any time during the round and the player will be monitored. If the tournament committee identifies that a player (or players) in the group is the cause of the group failing to maintain pace of play and determines other players are playing within the requirements of this policy, those meeting the requirements of this policy may be absolved from penalty while others may not.



THE SCGA TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REVIEW ALL PENALTY SITUATIONS.

LOCAL RULES AND TERMS OF THE COMPETITION

The Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and The R&A govern play. These Local Rules and Terms of the Competition are in effect at all SCGA championships and qualifying rounds. See applicable championship or qualifying round Notice to Players and Entry Application for modifications or additions to these Local Rules and Terms of the Competition. Complete text of the Rules and Local Rules may be found in the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf, effective January 2019.

Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty.

LOCAL RULES

OUT OF BOUNDS — Defined by the line between the course-side points of white stakes and fence posts at ground level.

PENALTY AREAS — When a penalty area is defined on only one side, it extends to infinity. When a penalty area is connected to the out-of-bounds edge, the penalty area extends to and coincides with out of bounds.

GROUND UNDER REPAIR — Defined by white lines. French drains are ground under repair.

Ground under repair may include areas of unusual damage but only when so declared by an authorized member of the Committee. When immediately adjacent to an immovable obstruction, such an area is part of that obstruction.

RELIEF FROM SEAMS OF CUT TURF (SOD SEAMS) ⓘ — Model Local Rule F-7 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

AERATION HOLES ⓘ — Model Local Rule E-4 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

EDGING GROOVES ⓘ — Model Local Rule F-19 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

WHITE-LINED AREAS TYING INTO ARTIFICIALLY SURFACED ROADS AND PATHS — White-lined areas of ground under repair and the artificially surfaced roads, paths or other identified obstructions that they are connected to are a single abnormal course condition when taking relief under Rule 16.1.

WOOD CHIPS AND MULCH — Are loose impediments.

INTEGRAL OBJECTS — Include artificial walls and pilings when located in penalty areas or in or adjacent to bunkers.

PROHIBITING USE OF CERTAIN TYPES OF SHOES ⓘ — Model Local Rule G-7 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS ⓘ — Model Local Rule G-1 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

BROKEN OR SIGNIFICANTLY DAMAGED CLUB ⓘ — Model Local Rule G-9 as prescribed in the Clarifications to the 2019 Rules of Golf is in effect.

BACK-ON-THE-LINE-RELIEF ⓘ — Model Local Rule E-12 as prescribed in the Clarifications to the 2019 Rules of Golf is in effect.

LIMITING WHEN STROKE MADE FROM PUTTING GREEN MUST BE REPLAYED UNDER EXCEPTION 2 TO RULE 11.1B ⓘ — Model Local Rule D-7 as prescribed in the Clarifications to the 2019 Rules of Golf is in effect.

PRACTICE — Prior to and after a round in stroke play, a player may practice on the designated practice areas. Rule 5.2b covering practice in stroke play is modified in this way: A player may not practice on the competition course before or between rounds. Penalty for breach of Local Rule, see Rule 5.2.

PACE OF PLAY — See separate memorandum to players for pace of play policy.

STOPPING AND RESUMING PLAY ⓘ — Model Local Rule J-1 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

All practice areas are closed during an immediate suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to stop practicing; failure to stop practicing might result in disqualification.

An immediate suspension will be signaled by one prolonged air horn note. All other types of suspension will be signaled by three consecutive air horn notes. Resumption of play will be signaled by two short air horn notes.

WHEN COMPETITION IS FINAL:

Stroke Play: When the results and/or qualifiers and alternates have been determined. At championships, when the awards have been presented.

Match Play: When the result of a match has been reported to, and verified by, the committee.

CODE OF CONDUCT* — By submitting an entry for any SCGA-administered event, the contestant understands that his/her participation is at the sole discretion of the SCGA. A contestant may be removed from an event either before or during the event at the sole discretion of the SCGA. Incidents of unbecoming conduct or actions deemed to be detrimental to the image of the SCGA or the "Spirit of the Game" are grounds for such removal and suspension from future SCGA-administered events.

These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Willful damage of the golf course or golf course property
- Club throwing or unnecessary club tossing
- Offensive or unbecoming language
- Public criticism of golf course or verbal abuse of SCGA staff, officials, volunteers, host club staff or other contestants
- Potential endangerment of others
- Conduct deemed unbecoming
- Failure to post scores for handicapping purposes
- Manipulation of scores posted for handicapping purposes

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CODE OF CONDUCT

First Offense: Warning

Second Offense: Disqualification

*The Committee may disqualify a player for serious misconduct in failing to meet the Code's standards.

HISTORY OF THE SCGA AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

The SCGA Amateur is one of the nation's oldest continuously contested amateur golf championships. The first SCGA Amateur was held less than one year after the Southern California Golf Association was formed on July 29, 1899. Only the Utah Amateur, started in 1899, has a longer consecutive string (the U.S. Open and U.S. Amateur both predate the SCGA Amateur, but both USGA events were suspended during war years).

A match play format was used for the first 58 years of the tournament. In 1957, the format was changed to 72 holes of stroke play. In 1973, increasing interest and the number of entries resulted in regional qualifying with a 36-hole finale. The 72-hole stroke play format was reinstated in 1974. In addition to the championship itself, for many years the tournament also offered a net competition in different flights. However, this became so popular that a separate SCGA Amateur Net Championship was created in 1993.

The list of SCGA Amateur champions includes many of the legendary names of golf. Charles E. Orr, who clinched the first title with a 6 and 4 win over SCGA President Charles Maud, was described as a "crack player from the Pasadena CC."



George von Elm (1922, 1925, 1927)



Johnny Dawson (1942, 1944, 1945, 1952)

Another Pasadena resident, Dr. Paul Hunter, won a record five SCGA Amateur titles from 1912 to 1929. In 1925, George Von Elm became the only player ever to win the SCGA Amateur, NCGA Amateur and California Amateur in the same year (a year later, he became the first Southern Californian to win the U.S. Amateur).

In 1933, another legendary amateur, Charles Seaver (who was also the father of baseball Hall of Fame pitcher Tom Seaver), won the California Amateur and NCGA Amateur. When he won the SCGA Amateur in 1934, he held all three titles at the same time for a few weeks; joining Von Elm as the only two to accomplish that feat.

The '40s were a golden age of golf in Southern California, with the likes of Johnny Dawson, Bobby Gardner and Bruce McCormick — all eventual Walker Cuppers — capturing SCGA Amateur titles. Notable winners in the 1950s included future PGA Champion Al Geiberger (in 1956 and 1959) and car dealer Fletcher Jones, while future PGA Tour members Barry Jaeckel, John Jacobs, Mark Pfeil, Tony Sills, Jeff Hart, Greg Twiggs, Dave Sheff, David Hobby, Paul Stankowski, Todd Demsey, Charlie

Wi and John Merrick have won in subsequent decades.

In recent years, Craig Steinberg has won four SCGA Amateur titles (1988, 1991, 1992, 1997), just the third person to accomplish that feat, joining Dawson, who won four times, and Hunter, who won five titles. Scott McGihon joined the list of three-time winners when he won back-to-back titles in 2005-06, in addition to his 2000 win. In 1994, Tiger Woods, the most celebrated golfer of the current generation, won the SCGA Amateur at Hacienda GC, setting a four-round scoring record of 270, helped in large measure by a single-round record 62 in the third round. Woods scoring record held up until 2010 when Scott Travers finished the championship in a record setting 16-under-par. Patrick Cantlay capped off one of the great amateur golf summers by winning the SCGA Amateur in 2011 and Beau Hossler won back-to-back titles in 2013 and 2014. More recently, PGA Tour Rookie, Sahith Theegala, claimed the SCGA Amateur title in a dominant eight-shot victory at Lakeside GC in 2019.

Among those who have tried to win the SCGA Amateur and failed are Craig Stadler, Scott Simpson, Corey Pavin, Mark O'Meara, Phil Mickelson, Duffy Waldorf, Jason Gore, Rickie Fowler, Xander Schauffele, and Aaron Wise.



Tiger Woods (1994)



Patrick Cantlay (2011)



Beau Hossler (2013, 2014)



Sahith Theegala (2019)

8TH WOMEN'S AMATEUR EXEMPTIONS

- » Past 10 SCGA Women's Amateur Champions (2012 – 2021)
- » 2021 SCGA Women's Amateur Championship (Top-10 finishers)
- » Past 10 California Women's Amateur Champions (2013 – 2022)
- » 2021 California Women's Amateur Championship (SCGA members who qualified for match play)
- » 2022 SCGA Women's Mid-Amateur Championship (Top-5 finishers)
- » 2021 SCGA Women's Match Play Championship Semifinalists
- » 2021 SCGA Senior Women's Amateur Champion
- » 2021 California Senior Women's Amateur Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » 2021 Southern California Junior Amateur Girls' Champion
- » 2021 Winner of SCGA Tournament of Club Champions (Women's Championship Division)
- » 2021 CIF-SCGA Girls High School Champion
- » 2021 CIF State Girls High School Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » San Diego CC Exemption(s)
- » SCGA members who qualified for match play at the:
 - 2021 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship*
 - 2021 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur Championship*
 - 2021 U.S. Girls' Junior Amateur Championship*
- » 2021 SCGA Women's Player of the Year Points List (Top-10 finishers)
- » SCGA members listed in the top 750 on the WAGR as of June 1, 2022
- » Past five SCGA Women's Players of the Year



123ND AMATEUR EXEMPTIONS

- » Past 10 SCGA Amateur Champions (2012 – 2021)
- » 2021 SCGA Amateur Championship (Top-10 finishers)
- » Past 10 California Amateur Champions (2013 – 2022)
- » 2021 California Amateur Championship (SCGA members who qualified for match play)
- » 2022 SCGA Mid-Amateur Championship (Top-5 finishers)
- » 2021 SCGA Match Play Championship Semifinalists
- » 2021 SCGA Senior Amateur Champion
- » 2021 California Senior Amateur Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » 2021 SCGA Public Links Champion
- » 2021 Southern California Junior Amateur Boys Champion
- » 2021 Winner of SCGA Tournament of Club Champions (Men's Championship Division)
- » 2021 CIF-SCGA High School Champion
- » 2021 CIF State High School Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » San Diego CC Exemption(s)
- » SCGA members who qualified for match play at the:
 - 2021 U.S. Amateur Championship*
 - 2021 U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship*
 - 2021 U.S. Junior Amateur Championship*
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7TH WOMEN'S AMATEUR RECAP

YOUNG TALENT KELLY XU CLINCHES RUNAWAY TITLE

Kelly Xu is a familiar name among the SCGA, so it was no surprise to see the 2020 SoCal Junior Girls' Golf Champion take home the seventh SCGA Women's Amateur Championship title, with a five-stroke lead.

The conditions were difficult at Mesa Verde CC, with ridiculously fast greens and both afternoons adding a sneaky breeze into the mix. This didn't bother the Claremont High School incoming senior, as the young talent found herself in the red for all three rounds – the only competitor to do so.

Kelly, a Stanford commit, fired a first-round score of 69, followed by an insane 68 to round out the 36-hole day. Being the only player to achieve two under-par rounds, she had a strong 4-shot cushion heading into the final round.

It was on Tuesday where rising Stanford junior, and future Cardinal teammate, Brooke Seay snuck into the mix. The leader dropped a few strokes on the front nine, and that's where Seay jumped in and found three birdies on the front-9, putting the pressure on Kelly. The flame started to fade, though, as she dropped three strokes on the back-9 and finishing tied for third alongside USC Trojan Katherine Muzi, and University of Texas Longhorn Sophie Guo.

Kelly's comeback on the back-9 was an exciting feat, and the final group found themselves with a group of spectators consisting of impressed Mesa Verde CC members and curious neighbors (featuring four kids who stopped jumping on a trampoline to watch the ladies compete.)

On the 12th hole, the SCGA Junior Golf Pass member hit her approach shot to 20 feet, where she promptly sank the putt for birdie. That was the confidence boost she really needed, and it was all smooth sailing from there. After a string of pars that looked way too easy, she found another birdie on the short par-4 17, where she pulled her 3-wood giving herself a wildly difficult wedge shot from the thick kikiyu rough, about 60 yards out. But, she stuck it to six feet and it was on that green where Kelly and her caddie (and high school teammate) smiled from ear to ear as they knew that made putt sealed the deal, heading into the scenic par-3 18.

"I'm so humbled, every SCGA event has been so amazing," Kelly said, "and to have my name up there alongside so many other great names is just incomprehensible for me right now."

Los Angeles native Angelina Kim finished 1-under to claim second place, and the incoming Stanford Cardinal joins the likes of former Stanford Cardinal, Andrea Lee (winner in 2015, 2017), Lilia Vu (2016), Alexa Melton (2018), Alyaa Abdulghany (2019) and Jaime Jacobs (2020) on the Fischer trophy.



122ND AMATEUR RECAP

SEEBER RUNS AWAY WITH 122ND SCGA AMATEUR TITLE

The 122nd playing of the SCGA Amateur Championship was a hometown affair from start to finish. The fairways were filled with Virginia CC members, Long Beach locals and Southern California golf lovers, all who came out to see Clay Seeber earn the prestigious crown.

The final pairing on Sunday was a who's who of Long Beach-affiliations battling it out for the prestigious title.

Long Beach State's Clay Seeber was the overnight leader after three rounds of stellar play, including a third round 5-under 65. Virginia CC club champion, and reigning SCGA Player of the Year, Torey Edwards began the day one stroke back, while Jack Cantlay, whose brother Patrick won the SCGA Amateur title 10 years ago, found himself two strokes back with 18 holes to play.

Seeber pulled his opening tee shot left, leading to a bogey and a two-shot swing as Cantlay stuffed an approach and rolled in a 15-footer for birdie. But our eventual champion showed resilience and bounced back quickly with birdies on No. 4 and No. 8, making the turn with a 4-shot lead over Edwards.

The back-nine was more of the same story for Seeber, as he continued his consistent play. He offset his bogey on No. 11 with a bounce-back birdie on No. 12 to extend his lead. Coming down the stretch, it was a mere formality for the Newport Beach native as he enjoyed a comfy walk down the final fairways. With the title in hand, Seeber stepped up to his 25-foot downhill eagle putt on No. 18 and confidently rolled it in to secure a six-shot victory. Seeber shot under-par in all four rounds of the championship.



Edwards battled his swing all day, leading to a 2-over 72, which was still good for T-2. UCLA's Mason Greene fired off a 4-under 66 to catapult himself into T-2. Long Beach State's Bryce Kvick finished in fourth at 4-under, while Cantlay, who led after two rounds of play following a championship-low 6-under 64, faltered during the final round but still finished fifth.

SCGA WOMEN'S AMATEUR PAST CHAMPIONS



2021

Kelly Xu

Mesa Verde CC



2020

Jamie Jacob

Goose Creek GC



2019

Alyaa Abdulghany

Newport Beach CC



2015

Andrea Lee

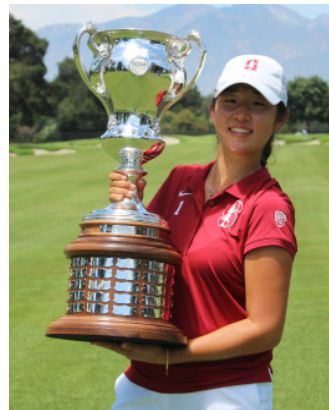
The Los Angeles CC



2016

Lilia Vu

Rancho Santa Fe GC



2017

Andrea Lee

San Gabriel CC



2018

Alexa Melton

Valencia CC

SCGA AMATEUR PAST CHAMPIONS

YEAR	CHAMPION	SITE
2021	Clay Seeber	Virginia CC
2020	Luke Potter	Goose Creek GC
2019	Sahith Theegala	Lakeside GC
2018	Joe Fryer	La Jolla CC
2017	Sam Choi	Mission Hills CC
2016	Rico Hoey	Barona Creek GC
2015	Nathan Celusta	Oakmont CC
2014	Beau Hossler	Rancho Santa Fe GC
2013	Beau Hossler	San Diego CC
2012	Bhavik Patel	Big Canyon CC
2011	Patrick Cantlay	San Gabriel CC
2010	Scott Travers	La Cumbre CC
2009	Austin Graham	Wilshire CC
2008	Kevin Marsh	Saticoy CC
2007	Brett Kanda	Victoria Club
2006	Scott McGihon	Bakersfield CC
2005	Scott McGihon	Tijeras Creek
2004	Tim Hogarth	Hillcrest CC
2003	Roy Moon	Torrey Pines GC
2002	Nico Bollini	El Caballero CC
2001	John Merrick	La Jolla CC
2000	Scott McGihon	Rancho Santa Fe GC
1999	John Pate	Industry Hills GC
1998	Greg Padilla	The SCGA Members' Club
1997	Craig Steinberg	Lakeside GC
1996	Kevin Marsh	Santa Maria CC
1995	Charlie Wi	Santa Ana CC
1994	Tiger Woods	Hacienda GC

YEAR	CHAMPION	SITE
1993	Todd Demsey	Brentwood CC
1992	Craig Steinberg	Fairbanks Ranch CC
1991	Craig Steinberg	Bel-Air CC
1990	Pat Duncan	Wilshire CC
1989	Paul Stankowski	Glendora CC
1988	Craig Steinberg	Annandale GC
1987	Greg Starkman	Braemar CC
1986	Dave Sheff	Hillcrest CC
1985	Brad Greer	Virginia CC
1984	Brad Greer	San Gabriel CC
1983	David Hobby	Santa Maria CC
1982	Mark Blakely	Stockdale CC
1981	Greg Twiggs	Stardust CC
1980	Jon (Bud) Ardell	Oakmont CC
1979	Jeff Hart	Hacienda GC
1978	Brian Gaddy	Bel-Air CC
1977	Doug Clarke	La Jolla CC
1976	Tony Sills	California CC
1975	Lee Davis	Wilshire CC
1974	Jim Porter	Brentwood CC
1973	John Richardson	El Niguel CC
1972	Mark Pfeil	Hillcrest CC
1971	John Beetham	Virginia CC
1970	Gary Sanders	Oakmont CC
1969	U.T. Thompson III	Hacienda GC
1968	Barry Jaeckel	Lakeside GC
1967	Greg Pitzer	Riviera CC
1966	John A. Jacobs	Victoria Club

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1965	Richard Davies	Annandale GC
1964	Larry Brown	San Gabriel GC
1963	Bruce McCormick	Hillcrest CC
1962	Larry Bouchey	Virginia CC
1961	Ted Richards, Jr.	Los Angeles CC
1960	Ben Alyea	Brentwood CC
1959	Al Geiberger	Oakmont CC
1958	Frank Hixon	Wilshire CC
1957	Verne Callison	Lakeside GC
1956	Al Geiberger	Santa Ana CC
1955	Jerry Steelsmith	Annandale GC
1954	Ted Richards, Jr.	San Gabriel CC
1953	Fletcher Jones	Los Angeles CC
1952	John Dawson	Hillcrest CC
1951	Jim Ferrie	Virginia CC
1950	Jim Ferrie	Oakmont CC
1949	Jerry Douglas	Victoria Club
1948	Bruce McCormick	Wilshire CC
1947	Bruce McCormick	Los Angeles CC
1946	Bobby Gardner	Virginia CC
1945	John Dawson	San Gabriel CC
1944	John Dawson	Lakeside GC
1943	Smiley Quick	Hillcrest CC
1942	John Dawson	Los Angeles CC
1941	Pat Abbott	Oakmont CC
1940	Smiley Quick	Lakeside GC
1939	Frank Hixon	Annandale GC
1938	Pat Abbott	California CC
1937	Jack Gaines	Riviera CC
1936	Roger Kelly	San Diego CC
1935	Harry Wesbrook	Los Angeles CC
1934	Charles Seaver	Bel-Air CC
1933	Harold Thompson	Brentwood CC

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1932	Jack Gaines	San Gabriel CC
1931	David Martin	Los Angeles CC
1930	Fay Coleman	Midwick CC
1929	Gibson Dunlap	Bel-Air CC
1928	Fay Coleman	Midwick CC
1927	George Von Elm	Lakeside GC
1926	Paul Hunter	California / Brentwood CC
1925	George Von Elm	Los Angeles CC
1924	Paul Hunter	Annandale GC
1923	Willie Hunter	Midwick CC
1922	George Von Elm	Flintridge CC/ Pasadena GC
1921	Paul Hunter	Los Angeles CC
1920	E.H. Seaver	Los Angeles CC
1919	Douglas Grant	Los Angeles CC
1918	R.J. Cash, Jr.	Los Angeles CC
1917	Windsor B. Walton	Midwick CC
1916	Harold B. Lamb	Los Angeles CC
1915	E.S. Armstrong	Midwick CC
1914	Carleton Wright	San Gabriel CC
1913	Norman Macbeth	Los Angeles CC
1912	E.S. Armstrong	Los Angeles CC
1911	Norman Macbeth	Los Angeles CC
1910	Wm. Frederickson	Annandale GC
1909	Paul Hunter	Annandale GC
1908	Paul Hunter	Los Angeles CC
1907	Sterling Liness	Los Angeles CC
1906	Wm. Frederickson	Los Angeles CC
1905	Walter Fairbanks	Los Angeles CC
1904	W.K. Jewett	Los Angeles CC
1903	Walter Fairbanks	Los Angeles CC
1902	H.M. Sears	Pasadena CC
1901	Walter Fairbanks	Los Angeles CC
1900	Charles E. Orr	Los Angeles CC