# 55<sup>TH</sup> CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

HACIENDA GC JULY 19-23, 2021





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## **CWAC/CGA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

#### DEAR COMPETITORS,

Welcome to the 55th California Women's Amateur Championship being held for the first time in Southern California!

The California Women's Amateur Championships (CWAC) with the California Golf Association (CGA) hosts this five-day Women's Amateur Championship at Hacienda GC, July 19-23, 2021.

Helen Lengfeld, the much-lauded amateur golfer, humanitarian and philanthropist, had a vision to encourage women's amateur golf. In 1950, Helen began the first of her three championships that ultimately became known as the California Women's Amateur Championships. In 1967 the first California Women's Amateur was played at the Pebble Beach Golf Links where it remained a fixture until 1987 and since then it has been our signature championship played at Quail Lodge until 2020. By 1982, Helen was recognized for her passion for women's amateur golf and she was elected to the California Golf Hall of Fame - the only woman so honored at the time.

Our CWAC/CGA Championships have many notable champions who have gone on to win USGA Championships, NCAA Championships, Curtis Cups, Solheim Cups, LPGA Championships and majors.

So welcome - and please be sure to look for our rules officials - our CWAC/CGA volunteers will be on the course ready to make this a memorable experience. We wish all of you good luck, and as Helen often said, "play well, and have fun"!

Good luck,



Rhonda Mohr President, California Women's Amateur Championships

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Bob Livingstone President, California Golf Association

## **COURSE OVERVIEW**

### HACIENDA GOLF CLUB

CLUB ESTABLISHED: 1920 ARCHITECT: William Watson, John Harbottle III (2005) GENERAL MANAGER: Russell Sylte HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL: Jonathan Goglia

SUPERINTENDENT: Rafael Martinez

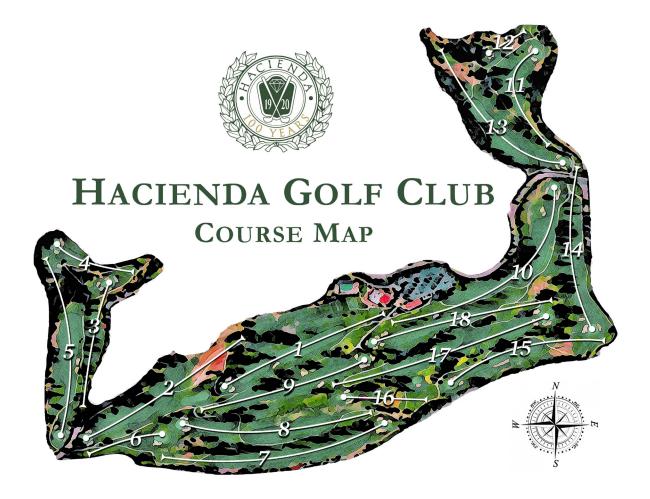






GREENS: Bent FAIRWAYS: Bent/Rye/Bermuda ROUGH: Bent/Rye/Kikuyu COURSE RATING: 77.7 SLOPE: 144 YARDAGE: 6,248 PAR: 72





HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT
YARDAGE	385	337	325	170	475	190	501	355	390	3,128
PAR	4	4	4	3	5	3	5	4	4	36

HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
YARDAGE	500	315	130	385	380	335	155	505	415	3,120	6,248
PAR	5	4	3	4	4	4	3	5	4	36	72

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND FORMAT**

### MONDAY, JULY 19:

**ROUND 1: STROKE PLAY** 156 players (playing in groups of three)

Morning & Afternoon Waves:

7:30 - 9:30 a.m. & 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. (Holes 1 & 10)

### **TUESDAY, JULY 20:**

**ROUND 2: STROKE PLAY** 156 players (playing in groups of three)

Morning & Afternoon waves:

7:30 - 9:30 a.m. & 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. (Holes 1 & 10)

#### \*PLAYOFF TO DETERMINE FINAL QUALIFYING SPOT(S) FOR MATCH PLAY.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 21:

**ROUND OF 32 & 16: MATCH PLAY** 7:30 - 10 a.m. (Hole 1) & 12:30 - 2:50 p.m. (Hole 1)

### **THURSDAY, JULY 22:**

**MATCH PLAY: QUARTERFINALS & SEMIFINALS** 7:30 – 8 a.m. (Hole 1) & 12:30 – 12:50 p.m. (Hole 1)

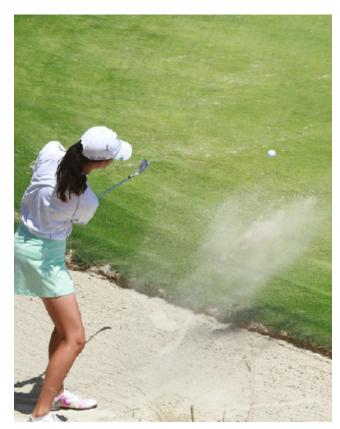
### FRIDAY, JULY 23:

MATCH PLAY: 18-HOLE FINAL 7:30 a.m. (Hole 1)

#### \*AWARDS CEREMONY WILL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THE FINAL ROUND.

### NORTH/SOUTH CHALLENGE

The North / South Challenge is a two-day competition between the NCGA and the SCGA, which takes place during stroke play qualifying on Monday and Tuesday. Each team is selected by its respective association. The results are based on the best five scores out of six for each of the teams over the course of the first two rounds.



## PLAYER INFORMATION

#### STARTING TIMES AND PAIRINGS

- Starting times and pairings will be e-mailed to players and posted online at <u>scga.org</u> and <u>ncga.org</u> 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 may be scheduled by calling the Pro Shop at Hacienda GC at (562) 694-1081 beginning on Monday, June 28 – Sunday July 18.
- One practice round date will be made available for participants: Sunday, July 18 after 12:00 p.m.
- Participants must identify themselves as a contestant in the California Women's Amateur Championship.
- The following practice round rates will apply: \$50



• Please note, practice rounds are for players only. Players may bring a caddie, but the caddie may not play.

#### TEES AND HOLE YARDAGES

**<u>Click here</u>** to view the hole-by-hole yardage ranges for the championship.

#### PARKING AND REGISTRATION

- Ample self-parking will be available at the club.
- All participants must check in at the registration table located outside the Golf Shop on either Sunday, July 18 (12 3 p.m.) or Monday beginning at 6:00 a.m.

### **DRIVING RANGE & PRACTICE FACILITIES**

The driving range and practice facilities will be open by 6:30 a.m. each day of the championship.

#### LOCKER ROOM

There is not access to lockers in the locker room, however the restrooms will be available.

#### **DRESS CODE**

Skorts, shorts, skirts, and tops are to be consistent with attire as seen on the LPGA tour. Denim of any color, warm ups or sweat outfits may not be worn.

#### FOOD SERVICE

- Participants Lunch will be hosted each day of the championship for participants inside the clubhouse and the adjacent patio. Breakfast will be available at the snack bar for purchase beginning at 6:30 a.m. daily.
- Spectator & Caddies Breakfast and Lunch will be available for purchase at the snack bar beginning at 6:30 a.m. daily. Cash or credit card will be accepted at the snack bar.



#### **GOLF SHOP PURCHASES**

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

#### SPECTATOR INFORMATION

- Spectators are welcome and encouraged to attend the California Women's 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 inside their vehicle.
- Live scoring will be available throughout the championship at <u>scga.org</u> and <u>ncga.org</u>.

#### **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

The SCGA has partnered with Affinity Travel to provide discounted access to nearby hotels during its championships. **Click here** to learn more.



### POLICIES

#### **RULES OF PLAY**

- » Prior to participating, participants must review the **Policies & Procedures.**
- » <u>The Rules of Golf</u> as approved by the USGA and The R&A govern play.
- » Local Rules and Terms of the Competition can be found on the <u>CGA Hard Card</u> and the Notice to Players that will be emailed to players the day prior to the qualifier.

#### **AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORTATION**

- 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.

#### CADDIES

Players may provide their own caddie.

#### **CANCELATION POLICY**

- » 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 ext. 3.
- » Failure to notify tournament staff will subject the player to suspension from future CGA competitions.
- » Refund Policy:

**Cancelation prior to the entry closing date:** Full refund less a \$10 administrative fee.

Cancelation after the entry closing date and more than 48 hours prior to the start of the competition: 50% of the entry fee.

Cancelation within 48 hours of the start of the competition: No refund.





## 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. In four-ball stroke play, the round ends when all sides complete the final hole, either by both partners holing out or by one partner holing out on the final hole and the other partner choosing not to do so.

#### 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 CGA 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 R&A Rules Limited govern play. These Local Rules and Terms of the Competition are in effect at all CGA 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.

**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)** (1) — Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule F-7.

**AERATION HOLES** (1) – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule E-4.

**EDGING GROOVES** (1) – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule F-19.

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** (1) – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule G-7.

**LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS** (1) – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule G-1.

**BROKEN OR SIGNIFICANTLY DAMAGED CLUB** (1) – Local Rule as prescribed in the Clarifications to the 2019 Rules of Golf is in effect. Model Local Rule G-9.

**BACK-ON-THE-LINE-RELIEF** (1) – Local Rule as prescribed in the Clarifications to the 2019 Rules of Golf is in effect. Model Local Rule E-12.

#### LIMITING WHEN STROKE MADE FROM PUTTING GREEN MUST BE RE-

**PLAYED UNDER EXCEPTION 2 TO RULE 11.1B** (1) – Local Rule as prescribed in the Clarifications to the 2019 Rules of Golf is in effect. Model Local Rule D-7.

**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** (1) – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule J-1.

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 – A competition is deemed to have closed when the result (including the result of a playoff, if applicable) has been officially announced or, in stroke play qualifying followed by match play, when the player has teed off in his/her first match.

**CODE OF CONDUCT\*** – By submitting an entry for any CGA-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 CGA. Incidents of unbecoming conduct or actions deemed to be detrimental to the image of the CGA or the "Spirit of the Game" are grounds for such removal and suspension from future CGA-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 CGA 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.

## **CHAMPIONSHIP EXEMPTIONS**

- » The past 10 California Women's Amateur Champions (2011 2020)
- » 2020 California Women's Amateur Championship (Match Play Qualifiers)
- » 2020 California Senior Women's Amateur Champion
- » 2020 CIF State Girls High School Champion Not Played
- » 2020 SCGA Women's Amateur Championship (Top-10 finishers)
- » 2020 NCGA Women's Amateur Championship (Top-10 finishers)
- » Any woman who qualified for match play at the 2020 U.S. Women's Amateur, U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur, or U.S. Girls' Junior Championships.
- » 2020 SCGA Women's Player of the Year Points List (Top-10 finishers)
- » 2020 NCGA Women's Player of the Year Points List (Top-10 finishers)
- » Any woman in the top 500 of the WAGR as of June 1, 2021. (Women from outside California must contact the NCGA or SCGA to take advantage of this exemption).



SARA CAMARENA 2020 CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S AMATEUR CHAMPION

## **CHAMPIONSHIP RECAP**

#### SARA CAMARENA ETCHES NAME INTO HISTORY, CLAIMS CAL WOMEN'S AM TITLE

Mexico City native Sara Camarena made a splash in her Golden State debut.

Camarena, a 20-year-old junior at Cal State University-Fullerton, made a clutch par on the tough par-3 18th hole Friday at Pasatiempo Golf Course to hold off Katherine Zhu, 1-up, and win the 54th California Women's Amateur Championship.

Camarena, who becomes the first foreign-born player to win the prestigious event, was making her debut competing as an adult in a non-collegiate event in California. She transferred to CSU-Fullerton this past Spring after playing at Oklahoma State. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, she'd only play one event as a Tltan.

"I've only really played in California as a junior," said the No.18-seeded Camarena, who joins the likes of Patty Sheehan and Juli Inkster as winners of the event. "I'm happy, but I don't think that it's really sunk in yet."



Holding a 2-up lead through 16 holes, it looked like Camarena would somewhat cruise to a win. On the par-4 17th, however, she pulled her approach shot left and out of bounds, leading to an eventual triple-bogey and loss. On the ensuing 18th, with the flagstick tucked front right adn the hole playing at 145 yards, the No.9 seeded Zhu hit a great shot that landed about 9 feet above the pin. Camarena hit an even better, shot, with her ball landing just 3 feet to the right of the flagstick. Zhu missed her birdie try, and the two eded up tying with pars.

"On the tee on 18 I knew I was still 1-up. She (Zhu) hit a nice shot. I just wanted to be on the safe side," said Camarena, who hit a choked-up 8-iron off the tee. "I wanted to hit a draw but my ball actually just went straight. It worked out."

Camarena came out strong, making birdies on holes 1 and 2 to jump to a quick 2-up lead. Zhu, a junior at Cal-Berkeley, later won holes 7 and 8 with pars to tie the match.

On the back-nine, Zhu's putter started uncooperating. While Camarena's kept hitting. Having lost the 11th hole after making a bogey, on No.12 Zhu missed a 3-footer for a potential tie. The two would tie the next four holes before heading to the 17th. Whenever it looked like Zhu had a chance to win a hole, Camarena either came up with a fantastic up-and-down or clutch putt to earn a tie.

"I had a slow start, and the putts just didn't drop," said Zhu, a former member of the Junior Tour of Northern California. "Once I started to pick things up, she started making these great up-and-downs. Everything was working for me early in the week. Today, it slowed down. I'm still satisfied with how I played."

While Camarena had never seen Pasatiempo prior to the week, she became a quick study and fan of the Alister MacKenzie layoiut.

"I learned where to hit and where to miss it," Camarena said. "A big thing for me all week I think was my focus. I would try to relax in between shots. It's hard to focus the whole time."

Story courtesy of the NCGA

# **PAST CHAMPIONS**

YEAR	CHAMPION	SITE
2020	Sara Camarena	Pasatiempo GC
2019	Amari Avery	Quail Lodge Resort
2018	Ty Akabane	Quail Lodge Resort
2017	Brooke Riley	Quail Lodge Resort
2016	Sabrina Iqbal	Quail Lodge Resort
2015	Jessica Luo	Quail Lodge Resort
2014	Carmen Gutierrez Ballon	Quail Lodge Resort
2013	Lauren Kim	Quail Lodge Resort
2012	Angel Yin	Quail Lodge Resort
2011	Jenni JenQ	Quail Lodge Resort
2010	Angel Yin	Quail Lodge Resort
2009	Casie Cathrea	Quail Lodge Resort
2008	Jennifer Johnson	Quail Lodge Resort
2007	Lynne Cowan	Quail Lodge Resort
2006	Marianne Towersey	Quail Lodge Resort
2005	Lynne Cowan	Quail Lodge Resort
2004	Mina Harigae	Quail Lodge Resort
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2000	Lynne Cowan	Quail Lodge Resort
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1998	Corey Weworski	Quail Lodge Resort
1997	Natalie Gulbis	Quail Lodge Resort
1996	Dorothy Delasin	Quail Lodge Resort
1995	Leigh Casey	Quail Lodge Resort
1994	Andrea Gaston	Quail Lodge Resort

YEAR	CHAMPION	SITE
1993	Andrea Gaston	Quail Lodge Resort
1992	Wendy Kaupp	Quail Lodge Resort
1991	Amy Fruwirth	Quail Lodge Resort
1990	Claudine Rubin	Quail Lodge Resort
1989	Terri Melanson	Quail Lodge Resort
1988	Emilee Klein	Quail Lodge Resort
1987	Caroline Keggi	Quail Lodge Resort
1986	Cindy Scholefield	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1985	Anne Quast Sander	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1984	Susan Tonkin	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1983	Patricia Cornett	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1982	Debbie Weldon	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1981	Juli Inkster	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1980	Mary Enright	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1979	Sally Voss-Krueger	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1978	Patty Sheehan	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1977	Patty Sheehan	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1976	Marianne Bretton	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1975	Patricia Cornett	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1974	Mary Elizabeth Shea	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1973	Amy Alcott	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1972	Barbara Handley	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1971	Barbara Handley	Pebble Beach Golf Links
1970	Shelley Hamlin	Pebble Beach Golf Links
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