



125TH SCGA AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

JULY 8-11, 2024

10TH SCGA WOMEN'S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

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THE SATICOY CLUB



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SCGA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DEAR COMPETITORS,

Welcome to the 125th SCGA Amateur and the 10th SCGA Women's Amateur Championships hosted by The Saticoy Club!

I want to congratulate all the participants who have qualified for these prestigious events. This year marks a significant milestone for the SCGA as we are celebrating our 125th anniversary and honoring the traditions of one of the longest-standing amateur championships in the nation.

This year's championships are extra special to me since we are concurrently hosting the 125th and 10th on my home course. Our usual tradition of the championship has always been held at the Presidents' home course and what a challenging course it will be for this special week. This is only the 3rd time since 2020 that we will host both championships simultaneously.

Both SCGA Amateur & SCGA Women's Amateur Championships continue to attract top-ranked amateurs from Southern California and put forth one of the finest fields in amateur golf.

This year's champions must play their best to prevail over the course and field. In doing so, they will earn the title of SCGA Amateur Champion and join the likes of Andrea Lee, Beu Hossler, Lilia Vu, Patrick Cantlay, Sahith Theegala, and of course, Tiger Woods.

As a bonus from being named Amateur Champion, each player in their respective championship will also earn an exemption not only in next year's SCGA Amateur & SCGA Women's Amateur, but also this year's U.S. Amateur & U.S. Women's Amateur as well! It is with tremendous excitement that we can partner with USGA to showcase the talents on both platforms.

I look forward to 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!



Huy Dang

President, Southern California Golf Association

FROM THE SATICOY CLUB

DEAR COMPETITORS,

Congratulations on qualifying for either the 125th SCGA Amateur Championship and 10th SCGA Women's Amateur Championship. We are both honored and delighted to welcome you to this prestigious event, which showcases the finest golfers in Southern California.

Your qualification for these championships is a testament to your exceptional skill, unwavering dedication, and passion for the sport. As you stand among the elite players of Southern California, we take immense pride in offering a venue that will serve as the stage for your remarkable talents.

Our property, renowned for its stunning beauty and meticulously maintained course, promises a challenging and rewarding experience. Each hole has been carefully designed to test every facet of your game, ensuring that excellence is recognized and celebrated. We hope you find both success and inspiration as you navigate our course, set against the backdrop of Ventura County's natural splendor.

This championship is more than a competition; it is a celebration of golf, bringing together the community of players, enthusiasts, and supporters. It is an opportunity to forge connections, share experiences, and create lasting memories. Our dedicated team is committed to providing an exceptional level of hospitality and support, ensuring that your time here is both enjoyable and memorable.

On behalf of The Saticoy Partners, our Management Team, staff, and membership, congratulations on your achievement. We look forward to witnessing your extraordinary skills and sportsmanship during the championship. May your experience here be marked by outstanding performances, new friendships, and lifelong memories.

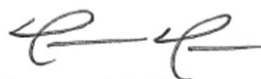
Warm Regards,

Ben Edwards



General Manager, The Saticoy Club

Mike Moran, PGA



Director of Golf, The Saticoy Club



1921

COURSE OVERVIEW

CLUB ESTABLISHED: 1921

ARCHITECTS: William P. Bell, Robert Muir Graves, Tom Doak & John Harbottle III

GREENS: Bent / Poa

FAIRWAYS: Santa Ana Bermuda

ROUGH: Rye Grass Mix



COURSE RATING: 74.6 (M) / 77.1 (W)

SLOPE: 138 (M) / 135 (W)

YARDAGE: 7,010 (M) / 6,257 (W)

GENERAL MANAGER: Ben Edwards


DIRECTOR OF GOLF: Mike Moran

SUPERINTENDENT: Tim Paulson

COURSE MAP

THE SATICOY CLUB



 Course Restrooms

MEN'S SCORECARD

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT		
YARDAGE	427	358	431	226	402	515	381	562	214	3,516		
PAR	4	4	4	3	4	5	4	5	3	36		
HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL	
YARDAGE	171	439	355	201	533	410	339	478	568	3,494	7,010	
PAR	3	4	4	3	5	4	4	4	5	36	72	

WOMEN'S SCORECARD

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT		
YARDAGE	381	329	393	179	383	486	338	535	157	3,181		
PAR	4	4	4	3	4	5	4	5	3	36		
HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL	
YARDAGE	166	439	355	187	494	374	327	418	444	3,204	6,385	
PAR	3	4	4	3	5	4	4	4	5	36	72	

The Saticoy Club: 60 Years Of Magical Moments

By Bob Buttitta

In the fall of 2016, Bill Apfelbaum and four friends were negotiating to purchase a golf course in Sonoma, California, when their broker informed the group that Saticoy CC might be available for purchase.

A day after getting that notice, Apfelbaum drove to Somis, an unincorporated area in Ventura County, to get a first-hand look at the club, which opened in 1964 with a course designed by famed golf architect William (Billy) F. Bell, son of noted golf architect William P. Bell, who designed such top area courses as Bel-Air CC and Torrey Pines GC. Apfelbaum drove the property with the club president, and it didn't take long for him to experience what many members have termed a "Saticoy moment," an almost mystical feeling created by the beauty of the course.

"It's like you are transported to somewhere away from the rest of the world," Apfelbaum said. "I've been around golf my whole life and I could see the bones of this course were beyond anything I had ever seen. I felt like I had found a Rembrandt that had been hidden away in my attic."

In April 2018, Apfelbaum and the other four Saticoy Partners purchased the club for \$12 million, with the promise to membership to restore the club's luster while maintaining its classic feel and ambience.

CHAMPIONSHIP VENUE

Rebranded as The Saticoy Club by the new ownership, the course has long been considered a hidden gem, with its classic design rivaling other classic layouts such as Riviera CC, Bel-Air CC and The Los Angeles CC. But the club's secluded location in the hills of the Las Posas Valley has contributed mightily to the club's anonymity among the general golf community.

Sitting high on a bluff, surrounded by orchards filled with avocado trees, Saticoy's location offers members a spectacular view of the Pacific Ocean and the nearby Channel Islands as they warm up on the practice range.

This was Ventura County's first private club, founded in 1921 as the Ventura CC. The original club included a nine-hole course designed by William P. Bell and George C. Thomas Jr. that is still around today and is affectionately called "Little Saticoy." The original club was located down Wells Road from the club's current location.

As the membership continued to grow in the early 1960s, they opted to purchase the property the club currently sits on, with work on the course and clubhouse commencing a few years later.



Despite its relative anonymity, over the last 60 years the club has served as host to a plethora of high-level golf events, including multiple U.S. Open qualifiers, the 2008 SCGA Amateur Championship, the 2022 LPGA Medihel Classic, the Women's Pac-12 Championships, the Ladies California Match Play Championship, The Bruin/Wave Women's Invitational and the Pepperdine Men's Invitational.

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A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

As part of their ownership agreement with the membership, the new owners promised to pump money into the club, with the ultimate goal of restoring the 60-year-old design to its pristine condition. The first step was hiring the Arnold Palmer Design Company to handle course renovation, with senior architect Thad Layton tasked with handling the challenge. Layton and Apfelbaum drove the course for two weeks, talking about potential changes and exchanging the vision both had for the course once the work was completed.

Two of the big changes were to the bunkers and the massive trees that filled the property.

"We decided to take out 200 trees and 18 bunkers," Apfelbaum said. "Other bunkers were softened to make them less penal for the average players, but we feel they still have plenty of bite to challenge the top players."

Some of the other renovations included replacing the grass in the fairways, switching from bent grass to Bermuda, seeding native areas to make them more aesthetically pleasing, fixing cart paths, leveling some tee boxes



First time being held at The Saticoy Club and in Ventura County, Kevin Marsh claimed his second SCGA Amateur title back in 2008.

and adding new Augusta No. 4 sand to bunkers. They also created new tees on holes nine, 16 and 18, giving the club the ability to max out the playing distance to 7,200 yards.

In addition to the course changes, improvements were made to the clubhouse and other member areas, including both the men's and women's locker rooms; the fitness room was updated with new equipment and a new lower terrace, complete with fire pits overlooking the 18th green. An old storage room was converted into a practice area complete with a high-level golf simulator, and a room containing old trophies and other items was transformed into a massage room.

Ron Honeycutt, who joined the club in 1970 and held the course record of 65 for 25 years, said he and the entire membership chose this ownership group for one key reason.

"Yes, they had the money needed to buy and maintain the club, and they had a great vision for the future," Honeycutt said. "But the biggest reason this group was the right one for us moving forward was their integrity. They have gone above and beyond what we asked of them, and the membership could not be more pleased."

A DRAW FOR THE PROS

Over the years, Saticoy's reputation as a hidden gem has drawn an "A" list of golf professionals and celebrities to take on its challenges.

A month after winning the 2022 Masters, Hideki Matsuyama showed up to play a round. As he and Apfelbaum walked to the first tee, Matsuyama asked, "What is the course record?" He was told 64. He proceeded to bogey the first hole and shoot 71.

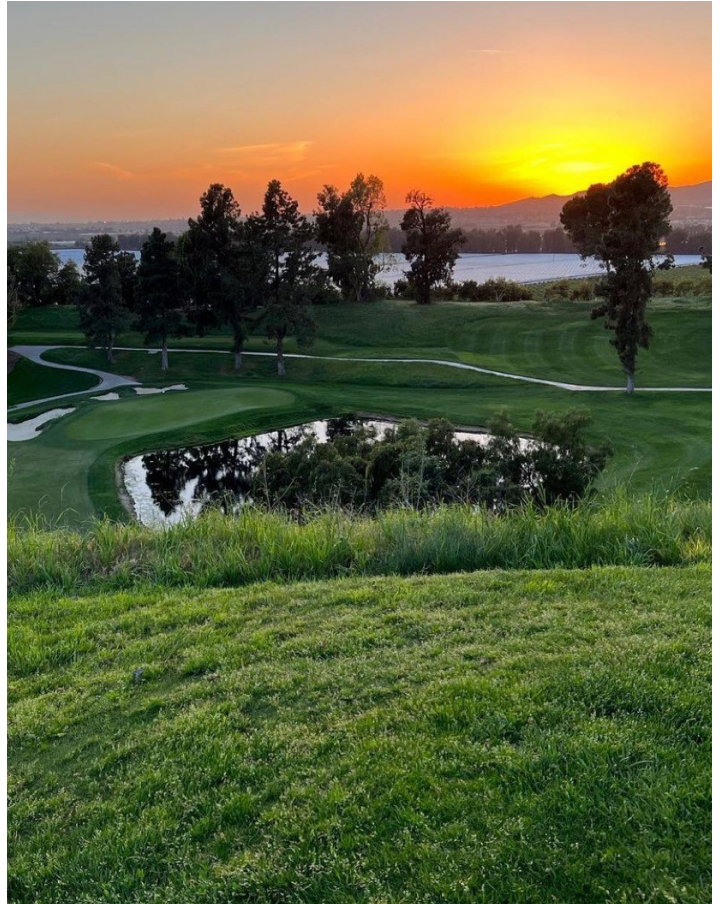
LPGA major champion Danielle Kang grew up in nearby Westlake Village. As her game began to blossom, the Saticoy members gave her an honorary membership that allowed her unlimited access to the course. Kang admits that she was a bit of a "brat" at times, but she always appreciated the kindness given to her by the club.

"I love Saticoy, and having a chance to practice and play there helped my game develop so much," Kang said. "It's such a great golf course."

To show her appreciation, Kang allowed the club to display her U.S. Women's Amateur trophy in the golf shop during the back-to-back years she was defending champion.

As great as the club's past has been, the owners and members believe the best is yet to come. There are plans in the works to try and build cabins on the grounds, like Augusta National, that would allow the course to offer a stay-and-play element to players outside the area. Apfelbaum even dreams of having a small vineyard to add to the visitor experience.

"It's such a cool place and the membership and staff are so great, it's paradise," Apfelbaum said. "I walk around with a smile on my face and get high fives from people thanking me and our group for doing what we have done. It could not have turned out any better."



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND FORMAT

125TH SCGA AMATEUR - 72 HOLES

10TH SCGA WOMEN'S AMATEUR - 54 HOLES

MONDAY, JULY 8:

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, JULY 9:

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, JULY 10:

ROUND 3

MEN: Tee times from 7:30 – approx. 9:50 a.m. (Hole 1)

FINAL ROUND - SCGA WOMEN'S AMATEUR

WOMEN: Tee times from approx. 10 – 11:40 a.m. (Hole 1)

THURSDAY, JULY 11:

FINAL ROUND - SCGA AMATEUR

Tee times from 7:30 – approx. 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 the week prior to the championships.
- » 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 are available from June 18 - 21. Additional practice round dates from June 22 - July 7 will be available beginning June 18 at 8 a.m. PST.
- » Players may secure a practice round by visiting the [Practice Round Portal](#).
- » Players may only book one practice round. Players may bring a caddie, but the caddie may not play.
- » Fees: \$50 to walk, \$75 to ride.

TEES AND HOLE YARDAGES

- » [125th SCGA Amateur Hole-By-Hole Yardages](#).
- » [10th SCGA Women's Amateur Hole-By-Hole Yardages](#).

PARKING AND REGISTRATION

- » Ample self-parking will be available at the club.
- » All participants must check in at the registration table located near the Golf Shop upon arrival on Monday.

DRIVING RANGE

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

LOCKER ROOM

Players will have access to the club's locker room, 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 only will be hosted for lunch each day of the championships from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on the Main Patio.
- » Pancho's Place snack bar will open by 6:30 a.m. each day for players, caddies and spectators to make additional purchases. Cash or major credit cards will be accepted.



SPECTATORS

- » Spectators are welcome and encouraged to attend the SCGA Amateur & SCGA Women's Amateur Championships.
- » 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.

MOBILE DEVICE 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.pixie-set.com.

GOLF SHOP PURCHASES

Major credit cards will be accepted for all purchases.



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 make arrangements with SCGA staff in advance of the championship.
- » Pull or push carts are permitted.

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.

CODE OF CONDUCT

By submitting an entry for any SCGA-administered competition, the contestant understands that his/her participation is at the sole discretion of the SCGA. A contestant may be removed from any competition at the discretion of the SCGA staff or Championship Committee at any time before or during the competition. 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 competitions. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

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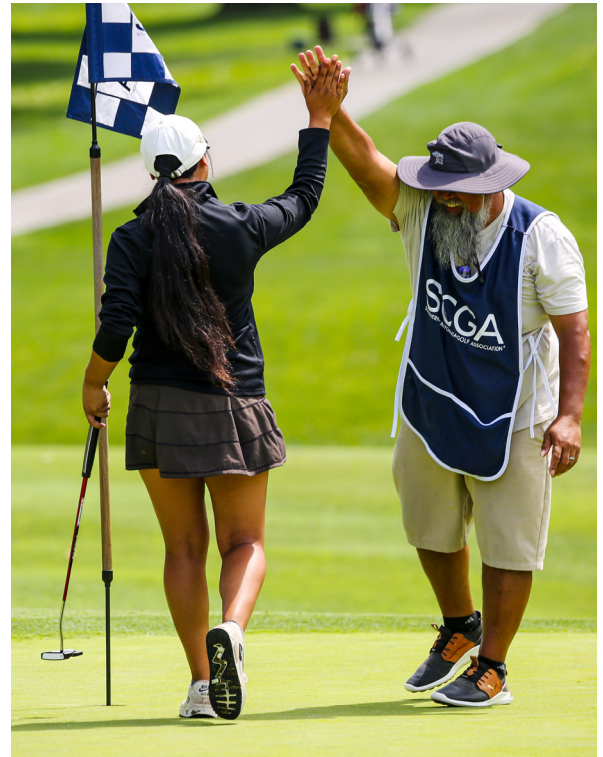
CANCELLATION POLICY

- » 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.

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

MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE TIME:

The Committee at each competition will determine the maximum allowable time each group is permitted to play the round and each hole. This time will be posted on each player's scorecard, and each player and group is expected to maintain a pace that is faster than the maximum allowable time. A hole ends in stroke play when all players have holed out, and in match play, when all players hole out or the result of the hole is decided. See Rule 23.3c for when a hole is completed in four-ball competition.

IN POSITION:

Groups are expected to remain in position throughout the round. Being in position means:

- » Reaching the teeing area of a par-3 before the group ahead has teed off on the next hole.
- » Reaching the teeing area of a par-4 before the group ahead leaves the putting green of that hole.
- » Reaching the teeing area of a par-5 before the group ahead gets to the putting green of that hole.

WARNING, CHECKPOINTS & PENALTIES:

If a group is over its maximum allowable time and out of position, an SCGA official may issue the group a warning and provide a checkpoint by when the group must regain its position (e.g., within the next two or three holes). If a group receives a warning, it will be monitored by an SCGA official to observe its pace of play.

- » If a group fails to regain its position by an established checkpoint, all players in the group will be informed that the checkpoint was missed and that one or more players in the group will be liable to receive a one-stroke penalty. The SCGA official will then provide another checkpoint by when the group must regain its position.
- » If the group fails to regain its position a second time, one or more players in the group will be liable to receive the general penalty (loss of hole in match play or two penalty strokes in stroke play).

If the 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.

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 2023.

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.

MISSING PLAYER OR MARKER CERTIFICATION — Model Local Rule L-1 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures 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.

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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.

For a complete listing of SCGA Tournament Policies and Procedures, [click here](#).

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF THE SCGA

This year, the SCGA celebrates its 125th Anniversary. Since 1899, the Association has been built on the collaboration and innovation of Southern California's best clubs, facilities, members, volunteers and staff.



1899
Founded by five clubs

1900
Created interclub competition through Team Play

1964
Established an electronic format to calculate member handicaps



1994
Tiger Woods wins SCGA Amateur Championship

1971
Merged with the San Diego County Golf Association

1899 1915 1930 1945 1960 1975 1990 1995

1900
Established SCGA Amateur Championship at The Los Angeles Country Club

1925
Membership totaled 20,000 via 45 clubs

1983
Founded the SCGA Junior Golf Foundation as charitable arm of the SCGA

1979
Established affiliate club program allowing clubs to be formed without ties to a course

1996
Co-founded SoCal Turf Council sponsoring turfgrass research at UC Riverside

1968
Launched FORE Magazine



125 SINCE 1899
SCGA

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF THE SCGA

1997

Worked with the International Association of Golf Administrators (IAGA) to form a national score posting network

2017

Launched Associate Member Network, a direct-to-consumer membership matching SCGA members with local golf clubs



2007

SCGA Junior Golf Foundation partnered with Youth on Course creating affordable golf access for juniors

200K MEMBERSHIPS

2023

Launched U.S. Open FORE Youth Campaign with LACC and USGA to expand the SCGA Junior Golf Foundation and restore Maggie Hathaway GC

2023

Reached 200,000 memberships

1995

2000

2005

2010

2015

2020

2024

2011

Merged with Public Links Golf Association

2015

Launched SoCal Women's Amateur in partnership with WSCGA at LACC where Andrea Lee won her first of two titles

2017/2018

Merged with WSCGA and Desert Women's Golf Association

2015

Created digital portal for clubs to handle membership dues online

2024

Measured and rated 55 short courses for official score-posting in conjunction with the WHS revisions



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To see more milestones and highlights, please click [here](#).

EXEMPTIONS EARNED

New in 2024, the 10th SCGA Women's Amateur & 125th SCGA Amateur Championships are official USGA Exemption Events. The respective Champions will earn an automatic exemption into the 2024 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship and 2024 U.S. Amateur Championship.



124th U.S. Women's Amateur Championship

Southern Hills CC

Tulsa, OK | August 5 - 11, 2024



124th U.S. Amateur Championship

Hazeltine National GC

Chaska, MN | August 12 - 14, 2024



Additional SCGA Women's Amateur Champion exemptions earned:

10-year exemption into the SCGA Women's Amateur Championship

2024 SCGA Women's Match Play Championship

2025 California Women's Amateur Championship

Top-10 and ties receive the following:

2025 California Women's Amateur Championship

2025 SCGA Amateur Championship



Additional SCGA Amateur Champion exemptions earned:

10-year exemption into the SCGA Amateur Championship

2024 SCGA Match Play Championship

2025 SCGA Mid-Amateur Championship

2025 California Amateur Championship

Top-5 and ties receive the following exemption:

Exempt from 2025 U.S. Amateur Local Qualifying

Top-10 and ties receive the following exemption:

2025 SCGA Mid-Amateur Championship

2025 California Amateur Championship

2025 SCGA Amateur Championship

10TH WOMEN'S AMATEUR EXEMPTIONS

- » Past 10 SCGA Women's Amateur Champions (2014 – 2023)
- » 2023 SCGA Women's Amateur Championship (Top-10 finishers)
- » Past 10 California Women's Amateur Champions (2014 – 2023)
- » 2023 California Women's Amateur Championship (SCGA members who qualified for match play)
- » 2024 SCGA Women's Mid-Amateur Championship (Top-5 finishers)
- » 2023 SCGA Women's Match Play Championship Semifinalists
- » 2023 SCGA Senior Women's Amateur Champion
- » 2023 California Senior Women's Amateur Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » 2023 Southern California Junior Amateur Girls' Champion
- » 2023 Winner of SCGA Tournament of Club Champions (Women's Championship Division)
- » 2023 CIF-SCGA Girls High School Champion
- » 2023 CIF State Girls High School Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » The Saticoy Club Exemption(s)
- » SCGA members who qualified for match play at the:
 - 2023 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship
 - 2023 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur Championship
 - 2023 U.S. Girls' Junior Amateur Championship
- » 2023 SCGA Women's Player of the Year Points List (Top-10 finishers)
- » SCGA members listed in the top 750 on the WAGR as of May 1, 2024
- » Past five SCGA Women's Players of the Year



125TH AMATEUR EXEMPTIONS

- » Past 10 SCGA Amateur Champions
- » 2023 SCGA Amateur Championship (Top-10 finishers)
- » Past 10 California Amateur Champions
- » 2023 California Amateur Championship (SCGA members who qualified for match play)
- » 2024 SCGA Mid-Amateur Championship (Top-5 finishers)
- » 2023 SCGA Match Play Championship Semifinalists
- » 2023 SCGA Senior Amateur Champion
- » 2023 California Senior Amateur Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » 2023 SCGA Public Links Champion
- » 2023 Southern California Junior Amateur Boys Champion
- » 2023 Winner of SCGA Tournament of Club Champions (Men's Championship Division)
- » 2024 CIF-SCGA High School Champion
- » 2024 CIF State High School Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » The Saticoy Club Exemption(s)
- » SCGA members who qualified for match play at the:
 - 2023 U.S. Amateur Championship
 - 2023 U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship
 - 2023 U.S. Junior Amateur Championship
- » 2023 SCGA Player of the Year Points List (Top-10 finishers)
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9TH WOMEN'S AMATEUR RECAP

CHRISTINE WANG PREVAILS AT PAUMA VALLEY CC

In a remarkable display of golf and mental fortitude, Christine Wang emerged triumphant as the winner of the 9th Women's Amateur Championship at Pauma Valley CC.

Entering the third and final round on Tuesday, Wang held a commanding six-stroke lead over her competitors after logging rounds of two-under 70 and five-under 67 on Monday. However, Wang's USC teammate Brianna Navarossa refused to let her secure the championship without a fight.

Navarossa nearly mounted an immaculate comeback that began with a two-shot swing on the ninth hole. Wang's approach shot almost found water behind the green. A par was out of the question, but she was able to minimize the damage with a bogey, while Navarossa birdied the hole. As the fellow Trojans made the turn, Wang sat at eight-under, with Navarossa on her heels at four-under.

"Bri is one of my best friends on the team," Wang said.

"We're the same year so we came into school together during COVID so we got really close and we travel to all of our tournaments together. But we're also very competitive with each other because we're close. When we're at school during the season, we have to play qualifying rounds against each other, so this almost felt like one of those."



Each of them bogeyed No. 10. Wang lost another stroke on No. 11 with her third bogey in as many holes, while Navarossa parred. All of the sudden, Wang's lead had shrunk to just three strokes with seven holes to play.

Then Navarossa got hot with her flat stick. She rolled consecutive birdies, the first on No. 13 from about 15 feet, then another from off the right fringe of No. 14, over 20 feet from the hole. With four holes to play and one stroke separating the top two competitors, the pressure was palpable.

"On 13 I started to sweat a little bit," Wang said. "Bri made a really good putt from off the fringe and I started to realize 'Okay this is real.' I kind of realized what was happening, that I was in the lead at such a big tournament."

Navarossa's relentless pursuit nearly saw her catch up to Wang, making for a nail-biting finish to the championship.

The defining moment of the tournament came on the 16th hole. With her lead hanging by a thread, Wang rose to the

occasion and delivered a stroke of brilliance on the 160-yard par-3. Her tee shot went right, leaving her well over 30 feet downhill for birdie.

There was no doubt the putt would reach the hole as Wang sent it across the green, and after spinning around the cup a couple times, the ball finally landed in the bottom of the hole for a remarkable birdie that served as a crucial turning point when Wang needed one the most.

"I was definitely not going to leave it short," Wang said. "It was a pretty long putt. My left hip is pretty tight today from all the golf we played yesterday so I kind of got stuck and I held off [my approach shot] to the right. But that putt was downhill, I knew it was fast but I also knew that I at least had to give it a chance and it just so happened I had a good read on it and it just so happened that the hole was there so I think that was a little bit of luck but I was also very pleased."



Navarroza landed her tee shot on the short side of the fringe with a chip-in birdie opportunity, and nearly converted, but settled for par. Wang's long birdie solidified her lead at two strokes with two to play. But again, Navarroza wasn't going to make it easy on her teammate.

On the challenging uphill par-5 17th, Navarroza chipped onto the green and left herself just over ten feet for birdie and converted, while Wang tapped in for par. Navarroza's tee shot on the par-4 18th found the rough, and her approach landed on the fringe behind the hole, setting herself up for a long downhill birdie opportunity that she needed to convert to have any chance at a playoff.

Wang, nestled on the left side of the fairway, stuck her approach in front of the hole, leaving ten feet or so for birdie. Navarroza gave her birdie putt a good run, but she ultimately put too much on it. Wang calmly two-putted for par to secure the one-stroke victory, leaving no doubt about her deserving claim to the SCGA Women's Amateur Championship title.

"It was a lot of fun. I played really well," Wang said. "Today I still felt like I was playing well but I think I had a lot of putts that lipped out or were just short. Obviously that made it more interesting coming down the stretch. Especially with my teammate Bri [Navarroza] playing. She's a great putter."

Wang's triumph serves as a testament to her skill, mental fortitude and ability to rise to the occasion when it mattered most. With the win, she becomes the third USC golfer to capture the Women's Amateur Championship.

"I think the biggest takeaway for me is how I've been really working hard on my mental game," Wang said. "I know my physical game, it's there sometimes, it's not there sometimes. My mental game is something I can always control, so that's been something I've been working really hard at. Today when not all the putts were falling and not all the shots were bouncing in the right direction, having that work that I put in to try and keep calm and take one shot at a time has really paid off and help me stay in my groove and stay focused...I'm super proud of myself."

Full Recap/Interview can be seen at scga.org.

124TH AMATEUR RECAP

FAIRWAYS, GREENS AND HISTORY

The SCGA Amateur Championship has had 124 iterations and a star studded list of past champions that includes Tiger Woods, Patrick Cantlay, Sahith Theegala and Beau Hossler. But it's never seen a winner like Greyson Leach, who set the all-time scoring (-21) en route to winning by six strokes at Rolling Hills CC. The previous record was held by Rico Hoey (-19) in 2016 at Barona Creek GC.

Leach, who grew up playing at Rolling Hills CC and is a past club champion, did the impossible and made golf look easy over the span of four days at a track he knows very well. Despite being extremely familiar with the property, he still had to execute which, save for three bogeys in his final, he did nearly flawlessly.

Coming into Thursday's final round, Leach held a four-shot lead over his nearest trailer, Krando Nishiba (who shot Rolling Hill CC's course record with a stunning nine-under 63 in round one). By the sixth hole, his already comfortable margin was extended to seven after he carded three early birdies. The lead could have been bigger, but Leach burned the edge with a six-foot eagle putt on the par-five third hole that just missed going in (set up by a 235-yard 4-iron on his second shot).

Where some players might have felt the pressure of sleeping on an overnight lead, teeing-off late, and being on the verge of capturing an illustrious championship, Leach seemed born for the moment. In his final round, the University of Oregon standout hit 14 of 15 fairways, 16 of 18 greens, and only needed 34 putts to get around a golf course that famously features undulated, multitiered, lightning-fast putting surfaces.

"My putting was the best part of my game this week," Leach said after his final round. "In order to score here at Rolling Hills CC, you need to roll it well. This is best I've ever putted in a tournament."

Over 72 holes, Leach carded 26 birdies and two eagles on his way to a dominating victory that was never in question on Thursday. With a four-round cumulative total of 267, he beat second place by six shots.

"I didn't check the leaderboard until the 16th hole. The entire time I was just worried about myself and staying in my game."

Leach received a hero's welcome at the trophy presentation where members who watched him grow up at the club were on hand to see him make history at his old home course.

"I'm happy to see everyone and I'm glad my family is here to celebrate with me. I can't wait to get in there and share this with all of them."

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SCGA WOMEN'S AMATEUR PAST CHAMPIONS



2023

Christine Wang

Pauma Valley CC



2022

Ashley Yun

San Diego CC



2021

Kelly Xu

Mesa Verde CC



2020

Jamie Jacob

Goose Creek GC



2019

Alyaa Abdulghany

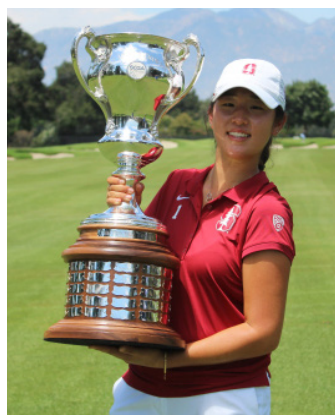
Newport Beach CC



2018

Alexa Melton

Valencia CC



2017

Andrea Lee

San Gabriel CC



2016

Lilia Vu

Rancho Santa Fe GC



2015

Andrea Lee

The Los Angeles CC

SCGA AMATEUR PAST CHAMPIONS

YEAR	CHAMPION	SITE
2023	Greyson Leach	Rolling Hills CC
2022	Caden Fioroni	San Diego CC
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
1965	Richard Davies	Annandale GC
1964	Larry Brown	San Gabriel GC

YEAR	CHAMPION	SITE
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
1932	Jack Gaines	San Gabriel CC
1931	David Martin	Los Angeles CC

YEAR	CHAMPION	SITE
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 CC/ 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