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# U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship 40th

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#### Lukas Michel Wins the 2019 Championship

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

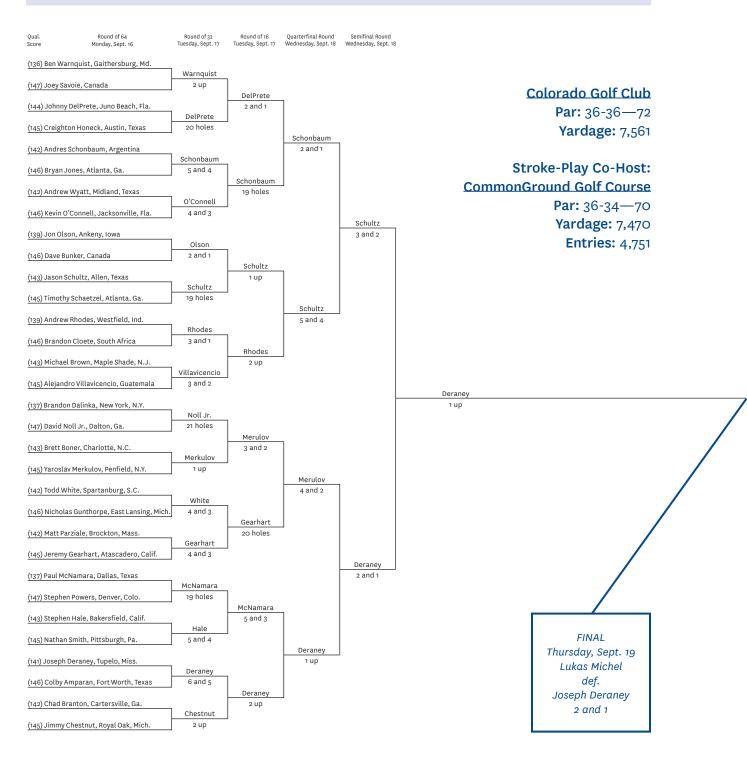
"Obviously, it makes the field stronger and harder to win and all that, but I'm obviously happy that exemption category was added. I think it makes the event stronger and I think that's got to be a positive thing."

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

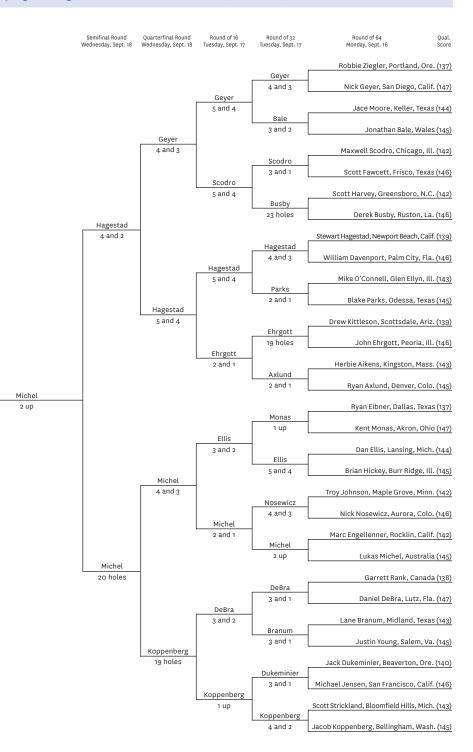
Deraney, who is 217 in the WAGR, then won the par-5 16th with a nice up-and-down birdie (6 feet) from the hill right of the green. Michel followed by making a 25-foot, left-to-right breaking birdie putt on the 211-yard 17th hole. Deraney went into the lunch break by hitting a perfect 56-degree wedge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

Following lunch, Deraney birdied Nos. 19 and 21 to regain his 3-up lead, and began a stretch of six consecutive untied holes, leaving Deraney 2 up headed to the final nine.

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### Sept. 14-19, 2019, Colorado Golf Club, Parker, Colo.



#### Complete Stroke-Play Results

136 Ben Warnquist, Gaithersburg, Md., 68cg-68cm

137 Robbie Ziegler, Portland, Ore., 67cg-70cm; Ryan Eibner, Dallas,
Texas, 67cm-70cg; Brandon Dalinka, New York, N.Y., 69cm-68cg; Paul
McNamara, Dallas, Texas, 70cm-67cg

138 Garrett Rank, Canada, 69cg-69cm

139 Stewart Hagestad, Newport Beach, Calif., 73cg-66cm; Jon Olson, Ankeny, Iowa, 71 cg-68cm; Andrew Rhodes, Westfield, Ind., 69cg-70cm; Drew Kittleson, Scottsdale, Ariz., 66cm-73cg

140 Jack Dukeminier, Beaverton, Ore., 71cg-69cm

141 Joseph Deraney, Tupelo, Miss., 69cm-72cg

Todd White, Spartanburg, S.C., 73cg-69cm; Troy Johnson, Maple Grove, Minn., 69cg-73cm; Maxwell Scodro, Chicago, Ill., 72cg-7ocm; Andres Schonbaum, Argentina, 74cg-68cm; Andrew Wyatt, Midland, Texas, 68cm-74cg; Scott Harvey, Greensboro, N.C., 7ocm-72cg; Marc Engellenner, Rocklin, Calif., 65cm-77cg; Matt Parziale, Brockton, Mass., 7ocm-72cg; Chad Branton, Cartersville, Ga., 68cm-74cg

43 Scott Strickland, Bloomfield Hills, Mich., 71cg-72cm; Herbie Aikens, Kingston, Mass., 71cg-72cm; Michael Brown, Maple Shade, N.J., 75cg-68cm; Jason Schultz, Allen, Texas, 73cg-70cm; Mike O'Connell, Glen Ellyn, Ill., 67cm-76cg; Lane Branum, Midland, Texas, 71cm-72cg; Stephen Hale, Bakersfield, Calif., 70cm-73cg; Brett Boner, Charlotte, N.C., 69cm-74cg

Dan Ellis, Lansing, Mich., 72cg-72cm; Jace Moore, Keller, Texas, 74cm-70cg; Johnny DelPrete, Juno Beach, Fla., 71cm-73cg

145 Creighton Honeck, Austin, Texas, 73cg-72cm; Jonathan Bale, Wales, 73cg-72cm; Brian Hickey, Burr Ridge, Ill., 76cg-69cm; Yaroslav

Merkulov, Penfield, N.Y., 74cg-71cm; Nathan Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa., 76cg-69cm; Justin Young, Salem, Va., 68cm-77cg; Blake Parks, Odessa, Texas, 71cm-74cg; Timothy Schaetzel, Atlanta, Ga., 72cm-73cg; Alejandro Villavicencio, Guatemala, 70cm-75cg; Ryan Axlund, Denver, Colo., 69cm-76cg; Jacob Koppenberg, Bellingham, Wash., 72cm-73cg; Jimmy Chestnut, Royal Oak, Mich., 71cm-74cg; Jeremy Gearhart, Atascadero, Calif., 73cm-72cg; Lukas Michel, Australia, 69cm-76cg Derek Busby, Ruston, La., 74cg-72cm; Kevin O'Connell, Jacksonville, Fla., 77cg-69cm; Bryan Jones, Atlanta, Ga., 73cg-73cm; Scott Fawcett, Frisco, Texas, 71cg-75cm; Nick Nosewicz, Aurora, Colo., 74cg-72cm; Nicholas Gunthorpe, East Lansing, Mich., 75cg-71cm; Colby Amparan, Fort Worth, Texas, 77cg-69cm; Michael Jensen, San Francisco, Calif., 75cg-71cm; John Ehrgott, Peoria, Ill., 70cm-76cg; Brandon Cloete, South Africa, 72cm-74cg; Dave Bunker, Canada, 69cm-77cg; William Davenport, Palm City, Fla., 71cm-75cg

\*Daniel DeBra, Lutz, Fla., 76cg-71cm (3); Stephen Powers, Denver, Colo., 76cm-71cg (3); Kent Monas, Akron, Ohio, 71cm-76cg (4, 2); David Noll Jr., Dalton, Ga., 77cg-70cm (4, 2); Nick Geyer, San Diego, Calif., 71cm-76cg (4, 3, 3); Joey Savoie, Canada, 75cg-72cm (4, 3, 4, 4, 3, 5, 5, 3, 5)

\* = In playoff

cg = Colorado Golf Club cm = CommonGround Golf Course

#### Failed to Qualify

\*Tyler Gulliksen, Daytona Beach, Fla., 72cg-75cm (4, 3, 4, 4, 3, 5, 5, 3, 6); Harley Abrams, Evanston, Ill., 70cm-77cg (4, 3, 4, 4, 4); Jesse Larson, Shakopee, Minn., 74cg-73cm (4, 3, 4, 4, 4); Grant Martens, San Diego, Calif., 75cg-72cm (4, 3, 5); Jack Brooks, England, 71cm-76cg (4, 4); Gene Elliott, West Des Moines, Iowa, 76cg-71cm (4, 4); Joseph Latowski, Port St. Lucie, Fla., 74cm-73cg (4, 5); Bobby Bucey, Concord, Calif., 69cm-78cg (5); Forbes Collins II, Lake Forest, Calif., 75cg-72cm (5); Daniel Day, Clemson, S.C., 70cm-77cg (5); W. Jay Degenhart, Savannah, Ga., 70cm-77cg (6); Bill Williamson, Cincinnati, Ohio, 72cm-75cg (6)

Rusty Mosley, Vidalia, Ga., 76cg-72cm; Chris Kovach, St. Louis, Mo., 72cg-76cm; Michael Muehr, McLean, Va., 76cg-72cm; Poli Martinez Medrano, Argentina, 74cg-74cm; Cory Siegfried, Wayne, Pa., 71cg-77cm; Brad Nurski, St. Joseph, Mo., 77cg-71cm; Nico Bollini, Laguna Beach, Calif., 73cg-75cm; Kyler Sauer, Thousand Oaks, Calif., 8ocg-68cm; Michael Harrington, Colorado Springs, Colo., 78cm-70cg; Sam O'Dell, Hurricane, W.Va., 71cm-77cg; Doug Albers, Leawood, Kan., 75cm-73cg; Trevor Sauntry, Spring, Texas, 72cm-76cg; Frank Alafoginis, Arlington, Va., 74cm-74cg; Troy Vannucci, Marlton, N.J., 73cm-75cg Brett Young, Bethel Park, Pa., 74cg-75cm; Tyler Crawford, Bermuda Dunes, Calif., 75cg-74cm; Tyler Cooke, Warwick, R.I., 76cg-73cm; Arthur Zelmati, France, 78cg-71cm; John Rosenstock, Richmond, Va., 76cg-73cm; Ian Dahl, Carmel, Calif., 78cg-71cm; Matthew Mattare, Jersey City, N.J., 76cg-73cm; Michael Pearson, Atlanta, Ga., 73cg-76cm; Chad Wilfong, Charlotte, N.C., 76cg-73cm; Joseph Cermak, Chicago, Ill., 74cm-75cg; Keith Unikel, Bethesda, Md., 75cm-74cg; Reid

Hatley, Hayden Lake, Idaho, 75cm-74cg
Michael Cress, Columbus, Ohio, 77cg-73cm; John Humphries,
Woodworth, La., 79cg-71cm; Laurie Owen, England, 76cg-74cm; Jordan
Sease, Lexington, S.C., 8ocg-70cm; Mark Costanza, Jersey City, N.J.,
77cg-73cm; Hank Shaheen, Dequincy, La., 70cm-8ocg; Bob Royak,
Alpharetta, Ga., 70cm-8ocg; Benjamin Day, Waterbury, Conn., 80cm70cg; Scott Gordon, Sacramento, Calif., 73cm-77cg; JD Anderson, Des
Moines, Iowa, 71cm-79cg; Austin Kreger, Harrison Township, Mich.,
69cm-81cg; Brad Mangum, Granite Falls, N.C., 75cm-75cg
Steve Harwell, Mooresville, N.C., 76cg-75cm; Luke Crapo, Kaysville,

Utah, 82cg-69cm; Sean Heidrick, Dallas, Texas, 74cg-77cm; Dalton Melnyk, Atlanta, Ga., 73cm-78cg; Darin Goldstein, New York City, N.Y., 74cm-77cg; John Ramsey, Glenview, Ill., 74cm-77cg; Kamden Ganir, Las Vegas, Nev., 73cm-78cg; Tim Hogarth, Northridge, Calif., 79cm-72cg; Ryan Greer, Knoxville, Tenn., 78cm-73cg; Steven Groover, Birmingham, Ala., 73cm-78cg; Darren Fletcher, Cave Creek, Ariz., 74cm-77cg Bradley Bastion, Shelby Township, Mich., 81cg-71cm; Tommy Parker, Boston, Mass., 76cg-76cm; Charles Santaularia, Lakewood, Colo., 76cg-76cm; William Buchanan, Greensboro, N.C., 78cg-74cm; Jeronimo Esteve, Puerto Rico, 69cm-83cg; Scott Turner, Stuart, Fla., 73cm-79cg; Eric LeFante, Florham Park, N.J., 73cm-79cg; Mike O'Neil, Baltimore, Md., 74cm-78cg; James Pleat, Nashua, N.H., 68cm-84cg; Ben Fisher, Germantown, Tenn., 74cm-78cg; Michael Klaric III, Peninsula, Ohio, 74cm-78cg

Josh Williams, Saint Simons Island, Ga., 78cg-75cm; Tim Zande, Olathe, Kan., 80cg-73cm; Chris Noel, Tulsa, Okla., 76cg-77cm; Kevin Carrigan, Canada, 76cg-77cm; Eric Harris, Rochester, Minn., 76cg-77cm; Beau Glover, North Little Rock, Ark., 79cg-74cm; Philip Bagdade, Portland, Ore., 74cg-79cm; Taylor Smith, Covington, Ga., 81cg-72cm; Matt Call, Castle Rock, Colo., 78cg-75cm; Kyle Stiles, Athens, Ga., 78cg-75cm; Geoffrey Shaw, Edmond, Okla., 76cg-77cm; Stephen Nichols, East Lansing, Mich., 77cm-76cg; Brian Moores, Dellwood, Minn., 78cm-75cg; Chip Brooke, Altamonte Springs, Fla., 78cm-75cg; Ryan Reynolds, Camden, S.C., 73cm-8ocg; Marc Peterson, Modesto, Calif., 76cm-77cg Michael McCoy, Norwalk, Iowa, 81cg-73cm; Max Harres, Belleville, Ill., 82cg-72cm; Johnathan Schnitzer, Houston, Texas, 80cg-74cm; Randy Sroka, Stevensville, Md., 79cg-75cm; Eric Gibbs, Ruston, La., 76cg-78cm; Michael Coriasso, White Lake, Mich., 72cm-82cg; Cullen Brasfield, La Quinta, Calif., 73cm-81cg; Ryan Wilkins, San Diego, Calif., 69cm-85cg; Alex Jeffers, Watertown, Mass., 76cm-78cg Rich VanderMass, Locust Valley, N.Y., 77cg-78cm; Tyler Ota, Honolulu, Hawaii, 82cg-73cm; Charles Sahlman, Denver, Colo., 82cg-73cm; Erik Hanson, Kirkland, Wash., 83Cg-72cm; Josh Ketter, Fulshear, Texas, 78cg-77cm; Patrick Pelletier, Lebanon, N.H., 82cg-73cm; Robbie Wight, West Palm Beach, Fla., 77cm-78cg; Timothy Driver, Holly Springs, N.C.,

77cm-78cg; Derek Dalziel, Canada, 76cm-79cg; PJ Acierno, Flourtown,

- Pa., 72cm-83cg; Blake Johnson, Winnetka, Ill., 72cm-83cg; Tyler Hunt, Tulsa, Okla., 75cm-80cg; Dan Sullivan, Pasadena, Calif., 73cm-82cg; Luke Bakke, Seattle, Wash., 74cm-81cg
- Cory Aune, Lake Geneva, Wis., 78cg-78cm; Peter Betzold, Cincinnati, Ohio, 79cg-77cm; Joseph Nichols, Little Rock, Ark., 79cg-77cm; Brodie Hullinger, Brookings, S.D., 77cg-79cm; Burke Spensky, Boise, Idaho, 82cg-74cm; Jake O'Neal, Vancouver, Wash., 80cg-76cm; Steven Carter, Saint Augustine, Fla., 75cm-81cg; Brian Csipkes, Omaha, Neb., 72cm-84cg; Zack Bellenger, Weatherford, Texas, 71cm-85cg; Matthew Finger, Wilmington, Del., 76cm-80cg; Adam Mallory, Noblesville, Ind., 71cm-85cg
- Thomas Campbell, Taylorsville, Ky., 8ocg-77cm; David Bartman, Los Angeles, Calif., 76cg-81cm; Andrew Montooth, Columbus, Ohio, 78cg-79cm; Matthew Hayes, Marietta, Ga., 83cg-74cm; Ryan Eckelkamp, Washington, Mo., 8ocg-77cm; Steven Irwin, Golden, Colo., 79cg-78cm; Gary Dunn, Granite Bay, Calif., 77cm-8ocg; Jay Livsey, Wheat Ridge, Colo., 78cm-79cg; Matt Bergstrom, Sahuarita, Ariz., 77cm-8ocg; Jeff Mallette, North Canton, Ohio, 73cm-84cg; Don DuBois, Newport Beach, Calif., 79cm-78cg; Greg Etimos, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., 73cm-84cg; Zach Jecklin, Glen Ellyn, Ill., 74cm-83cg; Michael Del Rocco, Jacksonville, Fla., 79cm-78cg; Robert Pickett, Cincinnati, Ohio, 80cm-77cg
- Mark Acosta, Escondido, Calif., 85cg-73cm; Mike Davidson, Mesa, Ariz., 83cg-75cm; Kent Moore, Centennial, Colo., 82cg-76cm; Ben Jorgensen, Richfield, Utah, 79cg-79cm; Stephen Lindsey, Kaysville, Utah, 78cm-80cg; Michael Beaty, Needham, Mass., 75cm-83cg; Stephen Serrao, Midlothian, Va., 78cm-80cg; Trevor Randolph, Franklin Lakes, N.J., 77cm-81cg; Brock Young, Tifton, Ga., 74cm-84cg; Ryan Patrick, Reston, Va., 76cm-82cg; Jeff Cox, Broken Arrow, Okla., 77cm-81cg
- Matthew Burroughs, Manchester, N.H., 83cg-76cm; Benjamin Conroy, Berlin, Conn., 82cg-77cm; Sean O'Donnell, Glendale, Ariz., 84cg-75cm; Andrew Dagneau, Canada, 86cg-73cm; Hudson Hansard, Austin, Texas, 80cm-79cg; Peter Anderson, Wellesley, Mass., 77cm-82cg; David Banks, Oceanside, Calif., 79cm-80cg; Jordan McKenzie, Columbus, Ohio, 81cm-78cg
- 60 Clay Guerin, Birmingham, Ala., 82cg-78cm; Chuck Radabaugh, Maumee, Ohio, 83cg-77cm; John Hunter, The Woodlands, Texas, 79cg-81cm; Cates Culpepper, Columbus, Ga., 77cg-83cm; Andrew Hodge, Oakmont, Pa., 81cg-79cm; Brent Landry, Canada, 89cg-71cm; Nicolas Donaldson, Argentina, 85cg-75cm; Corey Baubault, Murrieta, Calif., 77cm-83cg
- Nicholas Reardon, Columbus, Ohio, 87cg-74cm; Eric Williams, Goldsboro, N.C., 83cm-78cg; Scott Kraul, Irving, Texas, 78cm-83cg; Michael Gotcher, Broken Arrow, Okla., 79cm-82cg
- Tongun Lako Losarah, Upland, Calif., 85cg-77cm; David Lysaught, Denver, Colo., 83cg-79cm; David Ferreira, Haverford, Pa., 76cm-86cg; Randy Lewis, Alma, Mich., 77cm-85cg; Stino Milito, Park Ridge, Ill., 77cm-85cg; Aaron Lee, Simi Valley, Calif., 76cm-86cg; Chad Gamblin, Mesa, Ariz., 80cm-82cg
- Doug Garner, Madison, Miss., 86cg-77cm; Chris Condello, Orlando, Fla., 83cg-80cm; Cam Moniz, Seekonk, Mass., 82cg-81cm; Michael O'Neal, Jacksonville, Fla., 89cg-74cm; Chris Locker, Chapin, S.C., 87cg-76cm; Daniel Webb, Tyler, Texas, 80cm-83cg; Michael Fastert, Des Plaines, Ill., 79cm-84cg; Eddie Davis, San Mateo, Calif., 74cm-89cg; David Lebowitz, Santa Monica, Calif., 77cm-86cg
- 164 Riaz Rattansi, England, 86cg-78cm; Brent Herlihy, New York, N.Y., 73cm-91cg; Blake Onkka, Prior Lake, Minn., 76cm-88cg
- 165 Ben Lukehart, Towson, Md., 85cg-80cm; Brad Wilder, Fort Wright, Ky., 78cm-87cg
- 166 James Welch, Albany, N.Y., 86cg-80cm; Colton Knedler, Manhattan Beach, Calif., 86cg-80cm
- 167 Tanner Davis, Knoxville, Tenn., 88cg-79cm
- Josh Nichols, Apex, N.C., 8ocg-88cm
- 171 Mitch Donald, Vail, Colo., 86cm-85cg
- Jason Zubatkin, Somers, N.Y., 85cm-89cg
- WD Alex Snickenberger, Boston, Mass., 74cm; Jeff Wilson, Fairfield, Calif., 84cg; Tim Beans, Newport Beach, Calif.; Andrew Price, Lake Bluff, Ill.

#### **Championship History**

In 1981, the USGA inaugurated its first new championship for amateurs in 19 years, the U.S. Mid-Amateur. The Mid-Amateur, for amateur golfers of at least 25 years of age, provides a formal national championship for the post-college amateur, for whom the game is truly an avocation.

Before the arrival of the Mid-Amateur, the post-collegiate player could compete in the Amateur Championship, sometimes successfully, but these older amateurs faced greater odds. While they fit their golf around their work and families, they were most often competing against college golfers, for whom the game is close to a full-time activity.

Only about 40 percent of those who qualify for the U.S. Amateur each year are at least 25, although several have been quite successful. For example, Bob Lewis Jr., then 35, reached the Amateur final in 1980, and the semifinals in 1981 and 1986. Jay Sigel won consecutive Amateur titles in 1982 and 1983 (at ages 38 and 39, respectively), and then added the Mid-Amateur title in 1983, 1985 and 1987. In 1986, Buddy Alexander, 33, a reinstated amateur, won the U.S. Amateur and in 1993, 41-year-old John Harris won the Amateur. Harris remains the last mid-amateur to win the U.S. Amateur.

In general, however, most post-collegiate amateurs found themselves at a disadvantage competing against college golfers. Thus, the Mid-Amateur Championship was born.

Played at the Bellerive Country Club in St. Louis, the first Mid-Amateur drew 1,638 entries in 1981. The field included three former Amateur champions: Gary Cowan (1966, 1971), Marvin "Vinny" Giles III (1972) and Fred Ridley (1975). Jim Holtgrieve, 33, of Des Peres, Mo., defeated fellow Walker Cup Team member Bob Lewis Jr., 37, of Warren, Ohio, in the final, 2 up. Holtgrieve and Lewis each later captained a pair of USA Walker Cup Teams.

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

In 1983, Sigel became the first golfer in 53 years to win two USGA championships in the same year when he added the Mid-Amateur Championship to the U.S. Amateur he had won just 32 days earlier. Sigel became the Mid-Amateur's first two-time winner when he again captured the championship in 1985. Sigel won his third Mid-Amateur in 1987. Combined with his two U.S. Amateur titles (1982, 1983), Sigel won five USGA championships.

In 1987's first qualifying round, Don Bliss made holes-in-one on the eighth and 10th holes at Brook Hollow Golf Club in Dallas, Texas. Bliss is the only player to score two holes-in-one in one round of a USGA championship.

The U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship has continued to grow in popularity and in 1989 topped 3,000 entries for the first time. In its short history, the championship's unique age qualification has inspired similar tournaments throughout the country and there are now Mid-Amateur events in nearly every state. The Mid-Amateur also has helped several players earn berths to the USA Walker Cup Team. Sigel, Smith, Tim Jackson, Scott Harvey, Todd White, Danny Green, George Zahringer and William Hoffer are among those selected to represent their country off the strength of performances in the Mid-Amateur.

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

Beginning in 2017, the U.S. Mid-Amateur champion received a full exemption from qualifying into the following year's U.S. Open field. Matt Parziale, a firefighter from Brockton, Mass., became the first player to earn that exemption.

In 2020, the U.S. Mid-Amateur was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

# Championship Results: 1981 to 2020

1981	(Oct. 10-15) <b>Jim Holtgrieve</b> d. <b>Bob Lewis Jr.</b> , 2 up; Bellerive C.C., St. Louis, Mo.; Medalists — 145, <b>Jay</b> <b>Sigel, Jay Rustman</b> ; Entries: 1,638	1997	(Oct. 18-24) <b>Ken Bakst</b> d. <b>Rick Stimmel</b> , 1 up; Dallas Athletic Club (Blue Course), Mesquite, Texas; Medalist — ·132, <b>Bert Atkinson</b> ; Entries: §5,271
1982	(Sept. 25-30) William Hoffer d. Jeffrey Ellis, 3 and 2; Knollwood Club, Lake Forest, Ill.; Medalist — 137, Jay Sigel; Entries: 1,779	1998	(Oct. 3-8) <b>John "Spider" Miller</b> d. <b>Chip Holcombe</b> , 1 up; NCR C.C. (South Course), Dayton, Ohio; Medalist — 136, <b>Steve Sheehan</b> ; Entries: 4,095
1983	(Oct. 1-6) Jay Sigel d. Randy Sonnier, 1 up; Cherry Hills C.C., Englewood, Colo.; Medalists — 139, Lawrence Stubblefield, Randy Sonnier; Entries: 2,186	1999	(Sept. 25-30) <b>Danny Green</b> d. <b>Jerry Courville Jr.</b> , 2 and 1; Old Warson C.C., St. Louis, Mo.; Medalist — 139, <b>Ed Brooks</b> ; Entries: 4,267
1984	(Sept. 29 – Oct. 4) Michael Podolak d. Bob Lewis Jr., 5 and 4; Atlanta Athletic Club (Highlands Course), Duluth, Ga.; Medalists — 146, Bob Lewis Jr., Danny Yates; Entries: 2,243	2000	(Sept. 9-14) Greg Puga d. Wayne Raath, 3 and 1; The Homestead (Cascades Course), Hot Springs, Va.; Medalists — 138, Jim Wilson, Jeff Wilson, Darryl Donovan, Dale Fuller; Entries: 4,326
1985	(Nov. 9-14) <b>Jay Sigel</b> d. <b>O. Gordon Brewer Jr.</b> , 3 and 2; The Vintage Club (Mountain Course), Indian Wells, Calif.; Medalist — 137, <b>Dennis Saunders</b> ; Entries: 2,577	2001	(Oct. 13-18) <b>Tim Jackson</b> d. <b>George Zahringer</b> , 1 up; San Joaquin C.C., Fresno, Calif.; Medalist — ·132, <b>Jeff</b> <b>Wilson</b> ; Entries: 4,667
1986	(Oct. 4-9) Bill Loeffler d. Charles Pinkard, 4 and 3; Annandale G.C., Madison, Miss.; Medalist — 140, Larry Clark; Entries: 2,511	2002	(Sept. 21-26) George Zahringer d. Jerry Courville Jr., 3 and 2; The Stanwich Club, Greenwich, Conn.; Medalists — 142, George Zahringer, Pat Carter, Bill Sharpe; Entries: 4,549
1987	(Oct. 3-8) <b>Jay Sigel</b> d. <b>David Lind</b> , 20 holes; Brook Hollow G.C., Dallas, Texas; Medalist — 139, <b>Randy</b> <b>Sonnier</b> ; Entries: 2,630	2003	(Oct. 11-16) <b>Nathan Smith</b> d. <b>Bryan Norton</b> , match conceded due to injury; Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course); Medalist — 137, <b>Tripp Davis</b> ; Entries: 4,469
1988	(Oct. 1-6) David Eger d. Scott Mayne, 2 and 1; Prairie Dunes C.C., Hutchinson, Kan.; Medalists — 140, Jay Sigel, Randy Sonnier, John Harris; Entries: 2,492	2004	(Oct. 2-7) Austin Eaton III d. Josh Dennis, 1 up; Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island, Ga.; Medalists — 137, Paul Simson, Jeff Wilson; Entries: 4,371
1989	(Sept. 30 - Oct. 5) James Taylor d. Bill Hadden, 4 and 3; Crooked Stick G.C., Carmel, Ind.; Medalist — 135, Sean Knapp; Entries: 3,007	2005	(Sept. 10-15) <b>Kevin Marsh</b> d. <b>Carlton Forrester,</b> 10 and 9; The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Medalist —
1990	(Oct. 6-11) <b>Jim Stuart</b> d. <b>Mark Sollenberger</b> , 1 up; Troon G. & C.C., Scottsdale, Ariz.; Medalist — 141, <b>Mitch Voges</b> ; Entries: 3,397	2006	138, <b>Darin Newhouse</b> ; Entries: 4,130  (Sept. 9-14) <b>Dave Womack</b> d. <b>Ryan Hybl</b> , 1 up; Forest Highlands G.C. (Canyon Course), Flagstaff, Ariz.;
1991	(Oct. 5-10) Jim Stuart d. Bert Atkinson, 1 up; Long Cove Club, Hilton Head Island, S.C.; Medalist — 138, William Hadden; Entries: 3,684	2007	Medalists — 139, Carlton Forrester, Ryan Hybl, Trip Kuehne; Entries: 4,052 (Sept. 29 - Oct. 4) Trip Kuehne d. Dan Whitaker,
1992	(Sept. 19-24) <b>Danny Yates</b> d. <b>David Lind</b> , 1 up; Detroit (Mich.) G.C. (North Course); Medalist — 138, <b>John Grace</b> ; Entries: 3,692	·	9 and 7, Bandon Dunes (Ore.) G.R. (Bandon Dunes Course); Medalists — 144, Richard Berkmeyer, Tim Hogarth, Stephen Sear, George Zahringer, Trip Kuehne, Austin Eaton; Entries: 4,426
1993	(Sept. 18-23) Jeff Thomas d. Joey Ferrari, 1 up; Eugene (Ore.) C.C.; Medalist — 139, Jay Coatta; Entries: 3,600	2008	(Sept. 6-11) <b>Steve Wilson</b> d. <b>Todd Mitchell,</b> 5 and 4; Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis.; Medalist — 138, <b>Skip</b>
1994	(Sept. 17-22) <b>Tim Jackson</b> d. <b>Tommy Brennan</b> , 1 up; Hazeltine National G.C., Chaska, Minn.; Medalist — 136, <b>Tom Kroll</b> ; Entries: 3,720	2009	Berkmeyer; Entries: 3,839  (Oct. 3-9) Nathan Smith d. Tim Spitz, 7 and 6; The Kiawah Island (S.C.) Club (Cassique Course); Medalists
1995	(Sept. 16-21) Jerry Courville Jr. d. Warren Sye, 1 up; Caves Valley G.C., Owings Mills, Md.; Medalist — 139,	2010	— 140, Mike McCoy, Nathan Smith; Entries: 4,188  (Sept. 25-30) Nathan Smith d. Tim Hogarth, 7 and 5;
1996	John Harris; Entries: 3,885  (Sept. 28 – Oct. 3) John "Spider" Miller d. Randy Lewis, 3 and 2; Hartford G.C., West Hartford, Conn.; Medalist		Atlantic G.C., Bridgehampton, N.Y.; Medalists — 144, Nathan Smith, Scott Harvey, Tim Hogarth; Entries: 3,860
	— 139, <b>Jerry Courville Jr.</b> ; Entries: 4,102	2011	(Sept. 17-22) <b>Randal Lewis</b> d. <b>Kenny Cook</b> , 3 and 2; Shadow Hawk G.C., Richmond, Texas; Medalist — 139, <b>John Engler</b> ; Entries: 3,743

2012	(Sept. 8-13) <b>Nathan Smith</b> d. <b>Garrett Rank</b> , 1 up; Conway Farms G.C., Lake Forest, Ill.; Medalist — 141, <b>Brad Valois</b> ; Entries: 3,821
2013	(Oct. 5-10) Michael McCoy d. Bill Williamson, 8 and 6; Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala.; Medalist — 136, Matthew Mattare; Entries: 4,329
2014	(Sept. 6-11) Scott Harvey d. Brad Nurski, 6 and 5; Saucon Valley C.C., Bethlehem, Pa.; Medalists — 141, Scott Harvey, Brad Nurski; Entries: 3,891
2015	(Oct. 3-8) Sammy Schmitz d. Marc Dull, 3 and 2; John's Island Club (West Course), Vero Beach, Fla.; Medalists — 139, Scott Harvey, Matt Parziale; Entries: 4,024
2016	(Sept. 10-15) <b>Stewart Hagestad</b> d. <b>Scott Harvey</b> , 37 holes; Stonewall (Old Course & North Course), Elverson, Pa.; Medalists — 138, <b>Michael Muehr, Thomas Werkmeister, Scott Harvey</b> ; Entries: 4,131
2017	(Oct. 7-13) Matt Parziale d. Josh Nichols, 8 and 6; Capital City Club (Crabapple Course), Atlanta, Ga.; Medalist — 136, Bradford Tilley; Entries: 4,386
2018	(Sept. 22-27) <b>Kevin O'Connell</b> d. <b>Brett Boner</b> , 4 and 3; Charlotte (N.C.) C.C.; Medalist — 137, <b>Stephen Behr</b> ; Entries: 4,709
2019	(Sept. 14-19) Lukas Michel d. Joseph Deraney, 2 and 1; Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo.; Medalist — 136, Ben Warnquist; Entries: 4,751
2020	No Championship: COVID-19 pandemic

<sup>•</sup> Record qualifying score (1997, 2001)

<sup>§</sup> Record entry (1997)

# Stroke-Play Co-Hosts: 1994 to 2020

#### Secondary Courses Used for Stroke-Play Qualifying

1994	Wayzata (Minn.) C.C.
1995	Woodholme C.C., Pikesville, Md.
1996	Tumble Brook C.C., Bloomfield, Conn.
1997	Dallas Athletic Club (Gold Course), Mesquite, Texas
1998	NCR C.C. (North Course), Dayton, Ohio
1999	Bellerive C.C., St. Louis, Mo.
2000	The Homestead (Lower Cascades Course), Hot Springs, Va.
2001	Fort Washington G. & C.C., Fresno, Calif.
2002	Round Hill Club, Greenwich, Conn.
2003	Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (North Course)
2004	Sea Island G.C. (Plantation Course), St. Simons Island, Ga.
2005	Black Creek Club, Chattanooga, Tenn.
2006	Forest Highlands G.C. (Meadow Course), Flagstaff, Ariz.
2007	Bandon Dunes Resort (Bandon Trails), Bandon Dunes, Ore.
2008	Brown Deer Park G.C., Milwaukee, Wis.
2009	The Kiawah Island Club (The River Course), Kiawah Island, S.C.
2010	The Bridge, Bridgehampton, N.Y.
2011	The Houstonian G. & C.C., Richmond, Texas
2012	Knollwood Club, Lake Forest, Ill.
2013	Country Club of Birmingham (East Course), Birmingham, Ala.
2014	Saucon Valley C.C. (Weyhill Course), Bethlehem, Pa.
2015	John's Island Club (North Course), Vero Beach, Fla.
2016	Stonewall (North Course), Elverson, Pa.
2017	Atlanta National Golf Club, Milton, Ga.
2018	Carolina Golf Club, Charlotte, N.C.
2019	CommonGround Golf Course, Aurora, Colo.
2020	No Championship: COVID-19 pandemic

#### **Records**

#### Age

#### Oldest Champion (years/months/days)

54/4/14 Randal Lewis, 2011 50/10/19 Michael McCoy, 2013 49/5/3 George Zahringer, 2002

#### Youngest Champion

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

#### **Champions**

#### **Most Victories**

- 4 Nathan Smith (2003, 2009, 2010, 2012)
- 3 **Jay Sigel** (1983, 1985, 1987)
- 2 **Jim Stuart** (1990, 1991)
- 2 Tim Jackson (1994, 2001)
- 2 John "Spider" Miller (1996, 1998)

#### **Consecutive Victories**

- 2 **Jim Stuart** (1990, 1991)
- 2 Nathan Smith (2009, 2010)

#### **Most Times in Final Match**

- 4 Nathan Smith (2003, 2009, 2010, 2012)
- 3 **Jay Sigel** (1983, 1985, 1987)
- 3 Jerry Courville (1995, 1999, 2002)

#### **International Champion**

Lukas Michel, Australia (2019)

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

Jay Sigel (1983, 1985, 1987 Mid-Amateur; 1982, 1983 Amateur)

#### Winners of U.S. Mid-Amateur and U.S. Amateur Four-Ball (2)

**Nathan Smith** (2003, 2009, 2010, 2012 Mid-Amateur; 2015 Amateur Four-Ball)

Scott Harvey (2014 Mid-Amateur; 2019 Amateur Four-Ball)

#### **Longest Span Between Victories**

7 years Tim Jackson (1994, 2001)

#### Course

#### **Longest Course**

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

#### **Shortest Course**

6,539 yards Hartford G.C., West Hartford, Conn., 1996

#### **Entries**

#### Largest

5,271 (1997) 4,751 (2019)

#### **Smallest**

1,638 (1981)

#### Match Play

#### Largest Winning Margin, 18-Hole Match

g and 8	Parker Smith d. Brian Woods, first round, The Honors
	Course, Chattanooga, Tenn., 2005
9 and 7	Terry O'Loughlin d. Scott Dalesio, second round,
	Hartford G.C., West Hartford, Conn., 1996
9 and 7	Todd Mitchell d. Chris Lange, quarterfinals,

Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008

8 and 7 Rick DeWitt d. O. Gordon Brewer, first round, Troon
G. & C.C., Scottsdale, Ariz., 1990

8 and 7 Kevin O'Connell d. Nick Reardon, first round, Charlotte (N.C.) C.C., 2018

8 and 6 J. Franklin Rose d. Donald J. Sayet, first round, Knollwood Club, Lake Forest, Ill., 1982

8 and 6 Rick Stimmel d. Thomas Fallon, quarterfinals, Dallas Athletic Club (Blue Course), Mesquite, Texas, 1997

8 and 6 George Zahringer d. Trey Treadwell, first round, San Joaquin C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001

8 and 6 Garrett Rank d. Scott Harvey, second round, Conway Farms G.C., Lake Forest, Ill., 2012

- 8 and 6 Bill Williamson d. Matt Schneider, quarterfinals, Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013
- 8 and 6 Jordan Sease d. Kyle Downey, first round, Charlotte (N.C.) C.C., 2018
- 8 and 6 Stewart Hagestad d. Bradley Wohlers, first round, Charlotte (N.C.) C.C., 2018

#### Largest Winning Margin, 36-Hole Final

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

#### Largest Winning Margin, 18-Hole Final

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

#### Largest Winning Margin, Semifinal

- 6 and 5 David Lind d. Joey Dzwonkowski, Detroit (Mich.) G.C. (North Course), 1992
- 6 and 5 Tim Jackson d. Ed Gibstein, Hazeltine National G.C., Chaska, Minn., 1994
- 6 and 5 Rick Stimmel d. Jerry Courville Jr., Dallas Athletic Club (Blue Course), Mesquite, Texas, 1997
- 6 and 5 Kenny Cook d. John Engler, Shadow Hawk G.C., Richmond, Texas, 2011
- 6 and 4 Jerry Courville Jr. d. James Taylor, Caves Valley G.C., Owings Mills, Md., 1995
- 5 and 4 **Bob Lewis Jr. d. O. Gordon Brewer,** Bellerive C.C., St. Louis, Mo., 1981
- 5 and 4 **James Stuart** d. **Paul Simson**, Long Cove Club, Hilton Head Island, S.C., 1991
- 5 and 4 Tim Jackson d. Jeff Wilson, San Joaquin C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001
- 5 and 4 George Zahringer d. Jeff Wilson, The Stanwich Club, Greenwich, Conn., 2002
- 5 and 4 Nathan Smith d. Alan Hill, Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course), 2003
- 5 and 4 Matt Parziale d. Dan Sullivan, Capital City Club (Crabapple Course), Atlanta, Ga., 2017

#### Largest Winning Margin, Quarterfinal

9 and 7 Todd Mitchell d. Chris Lange, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008

- 8 and 6 Bill Williamson d. Matt Schneider, Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013
- 7 and 6 Michael McCoy d. Brendan Hester, The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn., 2005
- 7 and 6 Michael McCoy d. Bradley Bastion, Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013
- 7 and 6 Scott Harvey d. Denver Haddix, Saucon Valley C.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 2014
- 6 and 5 O. Gordon Brewer d. John Alexander, The Vintage Club (Mountain Course), Indian Wells, Calif., 1985
- 6 and 5 David Lind d. Craig Steinberg, Brook Hollow G.C.,
  Dallas, Texas, 1987
- 6 and 5 **James Stuart** d. **David Ojala**, Long Cove Club, Hilton Head Island, S.C., 1991

#### Longest 18-Hole Match

- 27 holes Jerry Courville Jr. d. Philip Ebner, first round, NCR C.C. (South Course), Dayton, Ohio, 1998
- 26 holes Roy Schultheiss d. Worth Banner, first round, Troon G. & C.C., Scottsdale, Ariz., 1990
- 26 holes Thomas Fallon d. Michael McCarthy, first round,
  Dallas Athletic Club (Blue Course), Mesquite, Texas,
- 25 holes Bill Hadden d. Mark Infalt, first round, Annandale G.C., Madison, Miss., 1986
- 25 holes **Ryan Hybl** d. **Carlton Forrester**, semifinals, Forest Highlands G.C. (Canyon Course), Flagstaff, Ariz., 2006
- 24 holes James E. Stahl Jr. d. Bill Malley, first round, Knollwood Club, Lake Forest, Ill., 1982
- 24 holes **Jay Sigel** d. **Bob Lewis Jr.**, quarterfinals, Cherry Hills C.C., Englewood, Colo., 1983
- 24 holes Steve Sheehan d. Jeff Kern, third round, NCR C.C. (South Course), Dayton, Ohio, 1998
- 24 holes James Scorse d. Kyle Coody, first round, The Stanwich Club, Greenwich, Conn., 2002
- 24 holes John McClure d. Arnold Cutrell, second round, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), Saint Simons Island, Ga.,
- 23 holes Scott Mayne d. Richard Stuntz, quarterfinals, Prairie Dunes C.C., Hutchinson, Kan., 1988
- 23 holes Tommy Brennan d. R.J. Nakashian, first round, Detroit (Mich.) G.C. (North Course), 1992
- 23 holes Kevin Marsh d. Trip Kuehne, second round, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), Saint Simons Island, Ga., 2004
- 23 holes Austin Eaton III d. Tim Hogarth, second round, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), Saint Simons Island, Ga.,
- 23 holes Chris McCuaig d. Jeffrey Sohy, first round, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), Saint Simons Island, Ga., 2004
- 23 holes Marc Peterson d. Arnold Cutrell, first round, Forest Highlands G.C. (Canyon Course), Flagstaff, Ariz., 2006
- 23 holes Steve White d. Jordan Byrd, second round, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008

23 holes Derek Busby d. Scott Harvey, first round, Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo., 2019

#### **Longest Semifinal Match**

25 holes	Ryan Hybl d. Carlton Forrester, Forest Highlands G.C.
	(Canyon Course) Flagstaff Ariz 2006

20 holes **Joey Ferrari** d. **Jerry Courville Jr.,** Eugene (Ore.) C.C., 1993

19 holes Michael Podolak d. David Jacobsen, Atlanta Athletic Club (Highlands Course), Duluth, Ga., 1984

19 holes Charles Pinkard d. Bob Young, Annandale G.C., Madison, Miss., 1986

19 holes George Zahringer d. Trey Lewis, San Joaquin C.C.,

Fresno, Calif., 2001
19 holes Dave Womack d. Scott Hardy, Forest Highlands G.C.

19 holes Trip Kuehne d. Scott Hardy, Bandon Dunes (Ore.) G.R (Bandon Dunes Course), 2007

19 holes Randal Lewis d. Nathan Smith, Shadow Hawk G.C., Richmond, Texas, 2011

19 holes Brad Nurski d. Tom Werkmeister, Saucon Valley C.C. (Old Course), Bethlehem, Pa., 2014

19 holes Scott Harvey d. Brad Sullivan, Stonewall (Old Course), Elverson, Pa., 2016

19 holes Kevin O'Connell d. Kyler Sauer, Charlotte (N.C.) C.C.,

#### Longest Quarterfinal Match

24 holes	Jay Sigel d. Bob Lewis Jr., Cherry Hills C.C.,
	Englewood, Colo., 1983

23 holes Scott Mayne d. Richard Stuntz, Prairie Dunes C.C.,

Hutchinson, Kan., 1988 21 holes David Strawn d. Jeff Thomas, Eugene (Ore.) C.C., 1993

21 holes **Bob McDonnell** d. **Jim Stuart**, Hartford G.C., West Hartford, Conn., 1996

20 holes Michael Podolak d. Dick Siderowf, Atlanta Athletic Club (Highlands Course), Duluth, Ga., 1984

20 holes **Bert Atkinson** d. **Danny Yates**, Long Cove Club, Hilton Head Island, S.C., 1991

20 holes **Bob Kearney** d. **Randy Haag**, Caves Valley G.C., Owings Mills, Md., 1995

20 holes Alan Hill d. Jack Allara, Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course), 2003

20 holes Trip Kuehne d. Stephen Sear, Bandon Dunes (Ore.) G.R. (Bandon Dunes Course), 2007

20 holes Tim Spitz d. Tripp Davis, The Kiawah Island (S.C.) Club (Cassique), 2009

20 holes Kenneth McCready d. Todd Mitchell, Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013

20 holes Matt Parziale d. Bradford Tilley, Capital City Club (Crabapple Course), 2017

20 holes Lukas Michel d. Jacob Koppenberg, Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo., 2019

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

20 holes **Jay Sigel** d. **David Lind,** Brook Hollow G.C., Dallas, Texas, 1987

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

37 holes Stewart Hagestad d. Scott Harvey, Stonewall (North Course & Old Course), Elverson, Pa., 2016

# Fewest Match-Play Holes Needed By Champion (18-hole final, 1981-2000)

89	James Taylor, Crooked Stick G.C., Carmel, Ind., 1989
91	Tim Jackson, Hazeltine National G.C., Chaska, Minn.,
	1994
93	Jim Holtgrieve, Bellerive C.C., St. Louis, Mo., 1981
93	David Eger, Prairie Dunes C.C., Hutchinson, Kan., 1988

# Most Match-Play Holes Needed By Champion (18-hole final, 1981-2000)

109	Jerry Courville Jr., Caves Valley G.C., Owings Mills,
	Md., 1995
107	Ken Bakst, Dallas Athletic Club (Blue Course),
	Mesquite, Texas, 1997

# Fewest Match-Play Holes Needed By Champion (36-hole final, 2001-present)

	2003*
108	Michael McCoy, Country Club of Birmingham (West
	Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013
111	Nathan Smith, Kiawah Island (S.C.) Club, (Cassique
	Course), 2009
111	Nathan Smith, Atlantic G.C., Bridgehampton, N.Y.,
	2010
111	Scott Harvey, Saucon Valley C.C., Bethlehem, Pa.,
	2014
*championship match conceded due to injury (8 holes)	

Nathan Smith, Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course),

## Most Match-Play Holes Needed By Champion

(36-hole final, 2001-present)		
126	Austin Eaton III, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course),	

2012

	Saint Simons Island, Ga., 2004
124	Randy Lewis, Shadow Hawk G.C., Richmond, Texas,
	2011
123	Lukas Michel, Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo., 2019
121	Steve Wilson, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008
121	Nathan Smith, Conway Farms G.C., Lake Forest, Ill.,

#### Most Extra-Hole Matches by One Player, Championship

- 3 Michael Podolak, Atlanta Athletic Club (Highlands Course), Duluth, Ga., 1984
- 3 Bert Atkinson, Long Cove Club, Hilton Head Island,

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Tim Jackson (1992-2014)

	S.C., 1991
3	David Strawn, Eugene (Ore.) C.C., 1993
3	Jerry Courville Jr., Caves Valley G.C., Owings Mills,
	Md., 1995
3	Kevin Marsh, Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St.
	Simons Island, Ga., 2004
3	Steven Liebler, The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tenn., 2005
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MOST EXT	ra-Hole Matches, Championship
14	Sea Island G.C. (Seaside Course), St. Simons Island,
	Ga., 2004
14	The Vintage Club (Mountain Course), Indian Wells,
	Calif., 1985
12	Hartford G.C., West Hartford, Conn., 1996
12	Atlanta Athletic Club (Highlands Course), Duluth, Ga., 1984
12	Annandale G.C., Madison, Miss., 1986
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Most Ma	tch-Play Victories
36	Jerry Courville Jr. (36-11; 1989-2003)
34	Tim Jackson (34-16; 1992-2014)
34	Nathan Smith (34-9; 2003-2019)
31	Danny Yates (31-15; 1981-2002)
30	Jay Sigel (30-10; 1981-1993)
28	George Zahringer (28-12; 1981-2012)
27	Michael McCoy (27-13; 1994-2019)
24	Kevin Marsh (24-10; 2004-2016)
23	Sean Knapp (23-14; 1989-2018)
23	Jeff Wilson (23-12; 2000-2019)
Most Coi	nsecutive Match-Play Victories
16	Nathan Smith (2009-11)
12	Jim Stuart (1990-91)
10	Tim Jackson (2001-02)
10	George Zahringer (2002-03)
Most Tim	nes in Championship
21	Tim Jackson (1992-2014)
21	Danny Yates (1981-2002)
21	Michael McCoy (1994-2019)
18	George (Buddy) Marucci (1981-2010)
18	George Zahringer (1981-2012)
17	Sean Knapp (1989-2018) Randal Lewis (1989-2019)
17 17	Paul Simson (1986-2015)
17 16	
16 16	Danny Green (1989-2009) Tim Hogarth (1996-2019)
	Ken Bakst (1992-2014)
15 15	John Harris (1983-2001)
13	30m marris (1905 2001)
Most Times to Advance to Match Play	

16	<b>Danny Yates</b> (1981-2002)
14	Sean Knapp (1989-2018)
14	Michael McCoy (1994-2019)
14	Paul Simson (1986-2015)
13	<b>Jay Sigel</b> (1981-1993)
13	Nathan Smith (2003-2019)
13	George Zahringer (1981-2012)
12	Jerry Courville Jr. (1989-2003)
12	Gene Elliott (1995-20189)
12	John Harris (1983-2001)
12	George (Buddy) Marucci (1981-2010)
12	Jeff Wilson (2000-2019)

# Stroke Play

Lowest	Score.	9 Holes

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

#### Lowest Score, 18 Holes

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

#### Lowest Score, 36 Holes

132	Bert Atkinson, (68-64), Dallas Athletic Club (Blue and
	Gold Courses), Mesquite, Texas, 1997 (medalist)
132	Jeff Wilson, (66-66), San Joaquin C.C. and Fort
	Washington G. & C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001 (medalist)

135	Sean Knapp, (68-67), Crooked Stick G.C., Carmel, Ind., 1989 (medalist)
135	Tony McBroom, (66-69), San Joaquin C.C. and Fort Washington G. & C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001
135	Scott McGihon, (66-69), San Joaquin C.C. and Fort Washington G. & C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001
136	Tom Kroll, (64-72), Wayzata (Minn.) C.C. and Hazeltine National G.C., Chaska, Minn., 1994 (medalist)
136	Matthew Mattare (67-69), Country Club of Birmingham (East and West Courses), Birmingham, Ala. (medalist)
136	Bradford Tilley, (69-67), Capital City Club (Crabapple Course) and Atlanta National G.C., Atlanta, Ga., 2017 (medalist)
136	Ben Warnquist (68-68), Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo. and CommonGround G.C., Aurora, Colo., 2019 (medalist)

#### **Most Times Medalist**

4	Scott Harvey (2010, 2014, 2015, 2016)
3	Jay Sigel (1981, 1982, 1988)
3	Randy Sonnier (1983, 1987, 1988)
3	Jeff Wilson (2000, 2001, 2004)

#### Most Players to Tie for Medalist

6 Richard Berkmeyer, Tim Hogarth, Stephen Sear, George Zahringer, Trip Kuehne and Austin Eaton, Bandon Dunes (Ore.) G.R. (Bandon Dunes Course), 2007

#### **Most Competitors in Playoff**

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

#### Longest Playoff to Qualify for Match Play

two places), 2015

9 holes From 18 players, **Joey Savoie** d. **Tyler Gulliksen** for 64th spot, Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo., 2019

#### Lowest Stroke-Play Cut

146 (5-over)	Capital City Club (Crabapple Course) and Atlanta National G.C., Atlanta, Ga., 2017
147 (6-over)	The Homestead (Cascades and Lower Cascades Courses), Hot Springs, Va., 2000
147 (4-over)	San Joaquin C.C. and Fort Washington G. & C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001
147 (5-over)	Charlotte C.C. and Carolina G.C., Charlotte, N.C., 2018
147 (5-over)	Colorado G.C., Parker, Colo. and CommonGround G.C., Aurora, Colo., 2019
147 (7-over)	Milwaukee C.C. and Brown Deer Park G.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008

#### Highest Stroke-Play Cut

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

#### Lowest 36-Hole Medalist Score

132 (12-under)	Bert Atkinson, Dallas Athletic Club (Blue and
	Gold Courses), Mesquite, Texas, 1997
132 (11-under)	Jeff Wilson, San Joaquin C.C. and Fort
	Washington G. & C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001
135 (9-under)	Sean Knapp, Crooked Stick G.C., Carmel,
	Ind., 1989

#### Highest 36-Hole Medalist Score

146 (4-over)	Bob Lewis Jr. and Danny Yates, Atlanta Athletic Club (Highlands Course), Atlanta, Ga., 1984
145 (1-over)	Jay Rustman and Jay Sigel, Bellerive C.C.,
	St. Louis, Mo., 1981
144 (2-over)	Richard Berkmeyer, Tim Hogarth, Stephen
	Sear, George Zahringer, Trip Kuehne and
	Austin Eaton, Bandon Dunes G.R. (Bandon
	Dunes and Bandon Trails Courses), Bandon,
	Ore., 2007
144 (even-par)	Nathan Smith, Scott Harvey and Tim
	Hogarth, Atlantic G.C. and The Bridge,
	Bridgehampton, N.Y., 2010

#### Miscellaneous

#### Holes-In-One (26)

Richard Blooston, second round, stroke play, 17th hole, Knollwood Club, Lake Forest, Ill., 1982

**Donald Bliss**, first round, stroke play, 10th hole (his first hole played), Brook Hollow G.C., Dallas, Texas, 1987

Donald Bliss, first round, stroke play, 8th hole (his 17th hole played), Brook Hollow G.C., Dallas, Texas, 1987

Tommy Bell, second round, stroke play, Troon G. & C.C., Scottsdale, Ariz., 1991

Buddy Trumpf, first round, stroke play, 13th hole, Hazeltine National G.C., Chaska, Minn., 1994

Casey Alexander, first round, 2nd hole, Tumble Brook C.C., Bloomfield, Conn., 1996

Win Bruning, first round, stroke play, 3rd hole, Bellerive C.C., St. Louis, Mo., 1999

Nick Desai, second round, stroke play, 8th hole, The Homestead (Lower Cascades Course), Hot Springs, Va., 2000

Tony DeLuca, second round, match play, 15th hole, The Homestead (Cascades Course), Hot Springs, Va., 2000

David Rathjen, second round, stroke play, 7th hole, San Joaquin C.C., Fresno, Calif., 2001

R.J. Nakashian, first round, stroke play, 17th hole, Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course), 2003

Brian Westveer, first round, match play, 4th hole, Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course), 2003

Ron Schroeder, first round, match play, 4th hole, Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course), 2003

Don DuBois, second round, match play, 4th hole, Wilmington (Del.) C.C. (South Course), 2003

Dave Womack, quarterfinals, match play, 14th hole, Forest Highlands G.C. (Canyon Course), Flagstaff, Ariz., 2006

Chester Guzek, first round, stroke play, 8th hole, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008

James Kieserman, second round, stroke play, 8th hole, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008

John Halverson, second round, stroke play, 8th hole, Milwaukee C.C., River Hills, Wis., 2008

Robert Gerwin, first round, stroke play, 5th hole, The Kiawah Island (S.C.) Club (Cassique), 2009

Serge Hogg, second round, stroke play, 5th hole, The Bridge, Bridgehampton, N.Y., 2010

Scott Congdon, second round, stroke play, 11th hole, Conway Farms G.C., Lake Forest, Ill., 2012

Troy Johnson, first round, stroke play, 13th hole, Country Club of Birmingham (East Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013

Paul Simson, first round, stroke play, 13th hole, Country Club of Birmingham (West Course), Birmingham, Ala., 2013

B.W. Bruce, first round, stroke play, 6th hole (with 9-iron), Saucon Valley C.C. (Weyhill Course), Bethlehem, Pa., 2013

Sammy Schmitz, championship match, 33rd hole (club 15 with a driver), John's Island Club (West Course), Vero Beach, Fla., 2015 Bob Royak, first round, stroke play, 6th hole (with a 6-iron), CommonGround G.C., Aurora, Colo., 2019

#### Double Eagles (3)

Rick Leal, second round, stroke play, 12th hole (with 4-iron), NCR C.C. (North Course), Dayton, Ohio, 1998

Derek Berg, first round, stroke play, 3rd hole (with 2-iron), Forest Highlands G.C. (Meadow Course), Flagstaff, Ariz., 2006

Sammy Schmitz, championship match, 33rd hole (club's 15th with a driver), John's Island Club (West Course), Vero Beach, Fla., 2015 (holed tee shot)