



## 59th U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship – Fact Sheet

Sept. 10-15, 2021, The Lakewood Club, Point Clear, Ala.

[www.seniorwam.org](http://www.seniorwam.org) | #USSeniorWomensAm | [mediacenter.usga.org](https://mediacenter.usga.org)

### COURSE SETUP

The Lakewood Club's Dogwood Course will be set up at 5,846 yards and will play to a par of 36-36—72.

### THE LAKEWOOD CLUB (DOGWOOD COURSE) HOLE BY HOLE

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Par	5	4	3	4	5	4	4	3	4	36
Yards	476	324	137	338	477	347	310	148	351	2,908
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
Par	4	4	5	3	4	4	5	3	4	36
Yards	322	330	482	165	340	356	475	135	333	2,938

*Note: Yardages subject to change.*

### ABOUT THE LAKEWOOD CLUB

The Lakewood Club, a resort member of the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail, originated in 1944. Perry Maxwell, designer of Southern Hills Country Club in Tulsa, Okla., the site of three U.S. Opens, designed the Dogwood Course at Lakewood, followed by the Azalea Course. The Dogwood Course opened in 1947 and meanders through dogwoods, magnolias and ancient oaks, making it both beautiful and challenging.

The 59th U.S. Senior Women's Amateur will be the third USGA championship held at The Lakewood Club. The club hosted the 1974 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur, won by Justine B. Cushing, followed by the 1986 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur, won by Constance Guthrie.

### ENTRIES

The USGA accepted 439 entries for the 2021 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur. The record for entries, 554, was set in 2014. The championship is open to female amateur golfers who have reached their 50th birthday by the first day of the championship and have a Handicap Index® not exceeding 14.4.

### QUALIFYING

Qualifying, played over 18 holes, was conducted at 25 sites nationwide between July 19 and Aug. 19. To view qualifying results, visit [www.seniorwam.org](http://www.seniorwam.org).

### CHAMPIONSHIP FIELD

A starting field of 132 players will compete in the U.S. Senior Women's Amateur. Following 18-hole rounds of stroke play on Sept. 10-11, the field will be cut to the top 64 players for match play. Five 18-hole rounds of match play from Sept. 12-14 will determine the finalists, who will square off in an 18-hole championship match on Sept. 15.

### EXEMPT PLAYERS

The following 38 players received full exemptions into the 2021 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur:

- **Beatriz Arenas** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Tina Barker** (2019 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur quarterfinalist)

- **Maria M. Castillo Dolagaray** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Laura Coble** (returned 72-hole score from 2021 U.S. Senior Women's Open)
- **Susan Cohn** (2018 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur semifinalist; top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Lynne Cowan** (2019 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur quarterfinalist; top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking; returned 72-hole score from 2021 U.S. Senior Women's Open)
- **Carolyn Creekmore** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Maria De Orueta** (winner of 2020 European Senior Ladies' Championship)
- **Patricia Ehrhart** (2019 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur semifinalist)
- **Amy Ellertson** (low five amateurs and ties from 2019 U.S. Senior Women's Open; top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Terri Frohnmayr** (2011 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur champion)
- **Karen Garcia** (2015 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur champion)
- **Mina Hardin** (2010 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur champion; top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Marilyn Hardy** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Kathy Hartwiger** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Mary Jane Hiestand** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Mimi Hoffman** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Sarah Ingram** (special exemption from the USGA)
- **Kim Keyer-Scott** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Sally Krueger** (low five amateurs and ties from 2019 U.S. Senior Women's Open)
- **Pamela Kuong** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Judith Kyrinis** (2017 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur champion; low five amateurs and ties from 2019 U.S. Senior Women's Open; top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Martha Leach** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking; returned 72-hole score from 2021 U.S. Senior Women's Open)
- **Martha Linscott** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Christine Petit Martin** (2021 champion of European Senior Ladies' Championship)
- **Ellen Port** (2012, 2013 and 2016 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur champion; low five amateurs and ties from 2019 U.S. Senior Women's Open; top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking; returned 72-hole score from 2021 U.S. Senior Women's Open)
- **Therese Quinn** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Terrill Samuel** (2017 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur runner-up)
- **Anna Schultz** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Suzi Spotleson** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Shelly Stouffer** (2021 champion of Canadian Women's Senior Championship)
- **Lara Tennant** (2018 and 2019 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur champion; 2019 champion of The R&A Women's Senior Amateur Championship; top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking; returned 72-hole score from 2021 U.S. Senior Women's Open)
- **Sylvie Van Molle** (2019 runner-up of The R&A Women's Senior Amateur Championship)
- **Shirley Vaughn** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Susan West** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Corey Weworski** (top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking; returned 72-hole score from 2021 U.S. Senior Women's Open)
- **Caryn Wilson** (2019 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur semifinalist)
- **Sue Wooster** (2018 and 2019 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur runner-up; top 30 age-eligible points leader in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking; returned 72-hole score from 2021 U.S. Senior Women's Open)

## SCHEDULE OF PLAY

Practice rounds will take place Sept. 8-9, and the championship schedule is as follows:

- Friday, Sept. 10 (Stroke play, Round 1, 18 holes)
- Saturday, Sept. 11 (Stroke play, Round 2, 18 holes)
- Sunday, Sept. 12 (Round of 64, match play)
- Monday, Sept. 13 (Round of 32/Round of 16, match play)

- Tuesday, Sept. 14 (Quarterfinals/Semifinals, match play)
- Wednesday, Sept. 15 (Championship Match, 18 holes)

#### **ADMISSION**

Admission is free. Tickets are not required for the championship and spectators are encouraged to attend.

#### **2019 CHAMPIONSHIP**

Lara Tennant, 51, of Portland, Ore., defeated Sue Wooster, of Australia, 3 and 2, at Cedar Rapids (Iowa) Country Club in a rematch of the 2018 final.

#### **CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY**

The U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship was inaugurated in 1962 for female golfers age 50 and older. By the late 1950s, a number of senior women's golf organizations had been formed, principally to conduct tournaments, but there was no existing tournament to determine the national champion. The USGA stepped in, and in January 1962, the Executive Committee approved the competition.

Senior women's golf has flourished over the years. Several major competitions have sprung up throughout the country, including the USGA's U.S. Senior Women's Open, which debuted in 2018.

With the expansion of women's golf, the number of quality senior players has increased dramatically. Many women aged 50 and over for the first time find they have the requisite time for top-level competitive golf. Additionally, some of the nation's best amateurs have advanced into this age group and still seek to test their talent on a championship level. Many women who enter these competitions have also been instrumental in the development of women's golf in this country, encouraging younger players and conducting tournaments at all levels.

In 2020, the U.S. Senior Women's Amateur was canceled due to health concerns from the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **WHAT THE WINNER RECEIVES**

- A gold medal
- Custody of the U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Trophy for one year
- Exemption into the next two U.S. Senior Women's Opens
- Exemption into the next two U.S. Women's Amateurs
- Exemption into the next two U.S. Women's Mid-Amateurs
- Exemption into the next 10 U.S. Senior Women's Amateurs

#### **USGA CHAMPIONSHIPS AT THE LAKEWOOD CLUB**

1974 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur (Justine B. Cushing)

1986 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur (Constance Guthrie)

#### **USGA CHAMPIONSHIPS IN ALABAMA**

The 2021 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur will be the eighth USGA championship conducted in Alabama and the third U.S. Senior Women's Amateur. Most recently, the Heart of Dixie hosted the 2018 U.S. Women's Open at Shoal Creek, which was won by Ariya Jutanugarn in a thrilling four-hole playoff over Hyo-Joo Kim.

#### **Prior USGA Championships Held in Alabama**

1974 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur: The Lakewood Club

1986 U.S. Amateur: Shoal Creek

1986 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur: The Lakewood Club

2008 U.S. Junior Amateur: Shoal Creek

2013 U.S. Mid-Amateur: Country Club of Birmingham

2016 USGA Men's State Team: Country Club of Birmingham

2018 U.S. Women's Open: Shoal Creek

#### **FUTURE U.S. SENIOR WOMEN'S AMATEUR SITE**

July 30-Aug. 4, 2022: Anchorage Golf Course, Anchorage, Alaska

## **MEDIA INFORMATION**

To request credentials, [click here](#).

All media can access the U.S. Senior Women's Amateur page in the online Media Center, which will include important and regularly updated championship information such as tee times, hole locations and player interview transcripts. It can be accessed directly by using [mediacenter.usga.org/us-senior-womens-amateur](https://mediacenter.usga.org/us-senior-womens-amateur).

The USGA will offer daily, complimentary high-resolution photographs during the U.S. Senior Women's Amateur strictly for editorial use. For more information, email [photorequests@usga.org](mailto:photorequests@usga.org).