



## 122nd U.S. Open Championship– Fact Sheet

June 16-19, 2022, The Country Club (Championship Course), Brookline, Mass.

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### PAR AND YARDAGE

The Country Club's Championship Course will be set up at 7,264 yards and will play to a par of 35-35-70. The yardage for each round of the championship will vary due to course setup and conditions.

### HOLE BY HOLE

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Par	4	3	4	4	4	3	4	5	4	35
Yards	488	215	499	493	310	192	375	557	427	3,556

Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
Par	4	3	4	4	5	4	3	4	4	35
Yards	499	131	473	450	619	510	202	373	451	3,708

### ARCHITECTS

The Country Club evolved as a collaborative design. In 1893, the first six holes were designed by the club's first golf committee, including members Arthur Hunnewell, Laurence Curtis and Robert Bacon. Willie Campbell was hired as the professional in 1894 and helped add three new holes and a redesign of the original six. The club expanded to 18 holes five years later. William Flynn designed a third nine, which is called Primrose, in 1927.

The course used for championships, including the 2022 U.S. Open, is a composite that incorporates 3½ holes from the Primrose. Geoffrey Cornish made changes before the 1963 U.S. Open. Rees Jones supervised revisions to the course before the 1988 U.S. Open. Gil Hanse oversaw a course restoration in the lead-up to the 2013 U.S. Amateur.

### WHO CAN ENTER

The championship is open to any professional golfer and any amateur golfer with a Handicap Index® not exceeding 1.4. Entries open in late February 2022.

### ENTRIES

Since 2012, the USGA has annually surpassed the 9,000 mark in entries, with a record 10,127 entries accepted for the 2014 U.S. Open at Pinehurst Resort & Country Club. In 2021, the USGA accepted 9,069 entries, the eighth-highest total in U.S. Open history. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, there were no entries as the U.S. Open featured a fully exempt field.

### LOCAL AND FINAL QUALIFYING

Local qualifying, played over 18 holes, will be conducted at more than 100 sites in the months of April and May. Final qualifying, played over 36 holes, will be held at approximately a dozen U.S. and international sites. Most of the final qualifiers will be played on Monday, June 6.

### CHAMPIONSHIP FIELD

The starting field of 156 golfers will be cut after 36 holes to the low 60 scorers (and ties).

## **SCHEDULE OF PLAY**

Eighteen holes of stroke play are scheduled each day from June 16 (Thursday) through June 19 (Sunday). In the event of a tie after 72 holes, a two-hole aggregate playoff will take place following the completion of Sunday's final round.

## **TELEVISION COVERAGE**

NBCUniversal (NBC, USA Network, Golf Channel, Peacock) will provide live television coverage of all four rounds of the 122nd U.S. Open Championship. The broadcast schedule will be announced at a later date.

## **2021 CHAMPION**

Jon Rahm made a sweeping 18-foot birdie putt on the 72nd hole to earn a one-stroke victory over Louis Oosthuizen in the 121st U.S. Open Championship at Torrey Pines Golf Course, in San Diego, Calif. Punctuating a 4-under-par 67 to match the championship's lowest round, the 26-year-old Rahm finished at 6-under 278 and became the first player from Spain to win the title. One shot behind and running out of holes, Rahm holed a left-to-right birdie putt from 25 feet on the 17th hole to tie for the lead. No player had ever birdied the last two holes to win the U.S. Open by one stroke in championship history. Oosthuizen, who shared the 54-hole lead with Russell Henley and Mackenzie Hughes, drove into the canyon left of the 17th fairway for a bogey that left him two shots behind and missed the fairway on the par-5 18th before settling for a birdie and a final-round 71. The South African posted his sixth runner-up finish in a major championship since winning the 2010 Open Championship at St. Andrews. Harris English was three strokes back in third after carding a 68 for a four-round total of 281. Defending champion Bryson DeChambeau briefly took the lead in the final round at 5 under, but his run was derailed by consecutive bogeys on 11 and 12 and a double bogey on the par-5 13th.

## **WHAT THE WINNER RECEIVES**

Among the benefits enjoyed by the U.S. Open winner are:

- A U.S. Open exemption for the next 10 years
- An invitation to the next five Masters Tournaments
- An invitation to the next five Open Championships, conducted by The R&A
- An invitation to the next five PGA Championships
- An invitation to the next five Players Championships
- Exempt status on the PGA Tour for five years
- Custody of U.S. Open Trophy and Jack Nicklaus Medal

## **QUALIFYING FOR THE OTHER MAJORS**

The top 10 finishers (and ties) are exempt into the following year's U.S. Open. The top four finishers (and ties) are invited to the following year's Masters Tournament.

## **CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY**

This is the 122nd U.S. Open Championship. The U.S. Open, which was first played in 1895, was not contested for two years (1917-1918) during World War I and for four years (1942-1945) during World War II. The youngest winner of the U.S. Open is 19-year-old John McDermott, who won in 1911; he is among nine players age 21 or younger who have won the U.S. Open. The oldest winner is Hale Irwin, who was 45 and playing on a special exemption when he won his third U.S. Open title in 1990. Irwin also won in 1974 and 1979.

There are four four-time U.S. Open winners: Willie Anderson (1901, 1903, 1904, 1905), amateur Bob Jones (1923, 1926, 1929, 1930), Ben Hogan (1948, 1950, 1951, 1953), and Jack Nicklaus (1962, 1967, 1972, 1980).

Only six players have won the Masters and U.S. Open titles in the same year: Craig Wood (1941), Ben Hogan (1951, 1953), Arnold Palmer (1960), Jack Nicklaus (1972), Tiger Woods (2002) and Jordan Spieth (2015).

## **PURSE**

The 2021 purse was \$12.5 million, the highest among golf's major championships; the winner earned \$2.25 million. The 2022 purse will be announced at a later date.

## **THE COUNTRY CLUB NOTES**

- The 122nd U.S. Open will be the fourth conducted at The Country Club (1913, 1963, 1988)
- The Country Club will host its 17th USGA championship, which will tie for second all-time
- The 2022 U.S. Open will be the 59th USGA championship held in Massachusetts

- In 2022, the U.S. Open Championship will be played in Massachusetts for the 10th time
- The Country Club is one of the five founding members of the USGA, which was formed on Dec. 22, 1894

### **ABOUT THE COUNTRY CLUB**

The Country Club started as a six-hole layout but was extended to nine holes by Willie Campbell, a Scottish golfer who became the club's head professional. The Country Club became one of the five founding members of the USGA in 1894, along with Newport (R.I.) Country Club, Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, in Southampton, N.Y., Chicago Golf Club and St. Andrew's Golf Club, in Yonkers, N.Y. As golf caught on in the Boston area the course was expanded to 18 holes. The 27 holes in play today were constructed at different times with input from several architects. Francis Ouimet won the 1913 U.S. Open on the original course (Clyde & Squirrel), but the modern-day championship layout consists of 15 holes of the original 18, with 3½ holes from the Primrose nine-hole loop that was designed by William Flynn. In 2009, Gil Hanse was asked to deliver a plan for the restoration of all 27 holes. The Country Club has hosted 16 USGA championships, including three U.S. Opens.

### **USGA CHAMPIONSHIPS AT THE COUNTRY CLUB**

1902 U.S. Women's Amateur: Genevieve Hecker def. Louisa A. Wells, 4 and 3  
 1910 U.S. Amateur: William C. Fownes Jr. def. Warren K. Wood, 4 and 3  
 1913 U.S. Open: Francis Ouimet def. Harry Vardon and Ted Ray, 304 (72) – 304 (77) – 304 (78)  
 1922 U.S. Amateur: Jess Sweetser def. Charles Evans Jr., 3 and 2  
 1934 U.S. Amateur: W. Lawson Little Jr. def. David Goldman, 8 and 7  
 1941 U.S. Women's Amateur: Elizabeth Hicks def. Helen Sigel, 5 and 3  
 1953 U.S. Girls' Junior: Mildred Meyerson def. Holly Jean Roth, 4 and 2  
 1957 U.S. Amateur: Hillman Robbins Jr. def. Dr. Frank M. Taylor, 5 and 4  
 1963 U.S. Open: Julius Boros def. Jacky Cupit and Arnold Palmer, 293 (70) – 293 (73) – 293 (76)  
 1968 U.S. Junior Amateur: Eddie Pearce def. W.B. Harman Jr., 6 and 5  
 1982 U.S. Amateur: Jay Sigel def. David Tolley, 8 and 7  
 1988 U.S. Open: Curtis Strange def. Nick Faldo, 278 (71) – 278 (75)  
 1995 U.S. Women's Amateur: Kelli Kuehne def. Anne-Marie Knight, 4 and 3  
 2013 U.S. Amateur: Matthew Fitzpatrick def. Oliver Goss, 4 and 3

### **INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AT THE COUNTRY CLUB**

1932 Walker Cup: USA def. Great Britain & Ireland, 8-1  
 1973 Walker Cup: USA def. Great Britain & Ireland, 14-10

### **OTHER EVENTS AT THE COUNTRY CLUB**

1999 Ryder Cup Matches  
 Massachusetts State Amateur (1905, 1920, 1925, 1934, 1949, 1967, 1976, 1987, 2003, 2009, 2019)  
 Massachusetts State Open (1908, 1911, 1915)

### **1913 U.S. OPEN**

Francis Ouimet, a 20-year-old amateur who had learned the game as a Brookline caddie and had grown up across the street from the course, defeated English professionals Harry Vardon and Ted Ray in an 18-hole playoff to win the U.S. Open in his first attempt. Vardon had won the 1900 U.S. Open and was a five-time Open champion at the time while Ray had won the Open Championship at Muirfield the previous year. Ouimet finished with a birdie and a par on the 71st and 72nd holes to force the playoff. He would shoot 72, including a bogey-free inward nine, in the playoff, five strokes better than Vardon and six ahead of Ray. He was the first amateur to win the U.S. Open. His victory caught the attention of the public and contributed largely to the popularity of the game.

### **1963 U.S. OPEN**

Julius Boros won his second U.S. Open title by defeating Jacky Cupit and Arnold Palmer in an 18-hole playoff. Strong winds led to severe playing conditions and the three players posted the highest 72-hole finishing scores since 1935 at 9-over 293. Boros, who won his first U.S. Open in 1952, cruised through the playoff. He went out in 33 to open a three-shot lead over Palmer and a four-stroke advantage over Cupit and finished with a 1-under 70. At age 43, Boros became the oldest American to win the championship. Ted Ray, of England, was 26 days older when he won in 1920. The U.S. Open was played on the 50th anniversary of Francis Ouimet's historic victory.

### **1988 U.S. OPEN**

Curtis Strange shot even-par 71 in an 18-hole playoff to defeat Nick Faldo, of England, by four strokes and claim the first of his back-to-back U.S. Open titles. Strange and Faldo had completed 72 holes tied at 6-under 278. Faldo, who had won the 1987 Open Championship at Muirfield, drew even in this two-man battle with a par on the 71st hole. Strange forced the playoff with an up-and-down from the front bunker for par on the 72nd hole. In

the Monday playoff, the pivotal moment came at the par-4 13th when Strange sank an 18-foot birdie putt. Faldo followed with a bogey and the Virginian had a three-stroke lead. Faldo made birdie on No. 14 but would bogey three of the final four holes.

#### **MOST USGA CHAMPIONSHIPS HOSTED BY A CLUB (thru 2021)**

- 18 - Merion G.C., Ardmore, Pa.
- 17 - Oakmont (Pa.) C.C.
- 16 - The Country Club, Brookline, Mass.
- 16 - Baltusrol G.C., Springfield, N.J.
- 13 - Pebble Beach (Calif.) G.L.
- 13 - Winged Foot G.C., Mamaroneck, N.Y.
- 12 - Chicago G.C., Wheaton, Ill.
- 11 - The Olympic Club, San Francisco, Calif.
- 11 - Oakland Hills C.C., Bloomfield Township, Mich.
- 10 - Pinehurst Resort and Country Club, Village of Pinehurst, N.C.

#### **USGA CHAMPIONSHIPS IN MASSACHUSETTS**

This will be the 59th USGA championship played in Massachusetts and the 10th U.S. Open contested in the state. In 2022, the Bay State will also host the 67th U.S. Senior Amateur at The Kittansett Club, in Marion.

#### **Recent USGA Championships in Massachusetts**

- 2001 U.S. Senior Open, Salem Country Club, Peabody (Bruce Fleisher)
- 2003 USGA Women's State Team, Wellesley Country Club (Ohio)
- 2003 USGA Men's State Team, Charles River Country Club, Newton Centre (Tennessee)
- 2004 U.S. Women's Open, Orchards Golf Club, South Hadley (Meg Mallon)
- 2005 U.S. Junior Amateur, Longmeadow Country Club (Kevin Tway)
- 2009 U.S. Women's Amateur Public Links, Red Tail Golf Club, Devens (Jennifer Song)
- 2010 Curtis Cup Match, Essex County Club, Manchester-by-the Sea (USA)
- 2013 U.S. Amateur, The Country Club, Brookline (Matthew Fitzpatrick)
- 2016 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur, Wellesley Country Club (Ellen Port)
- 2017 U.S. Senior Open, Salem Country Club, Peabody (Kenny Perry)
- 2021 U.S. Mid-Amateur, Sankaty Head Golf Club, Siasconset (Stewart Hagestad)

#### **U.S. Open Championships in Massachusetts (9):**

- 1898: Myopia Hunt Club, South Hamilton (Fred Herd)
- 1901: Myopia Hunt Club, South Hamilton (Willie Anderson)
- 1905: Myopia Hunt Club, South Hamilton (Willie Anderson)
- 1908: Myopia Hunt Club, South Hamilton (Fred McLeod)
- 1913: The Country Club (Original Course), Brookline (a-Francis Ouimet)
- 1919: Brae Burn Country Club, West Newton (Walter Hagen)
- 1925: Worcester Country Club, Worcester (William Macfarlane)
- 1963: The Country Club (Championship Course), Brookline (Julius Boros)
- 1988: The Country Club (Championship Course), Brookline (Curtis Strange)

#### **LONGEST U.S. OPEN COURSES**

- 7,845 yards, Erin Hills, first round, Erin, Wis., 2017
- 7,839 yards, Erin Hills, second round, Erin, Wis., 2017
- 7,818 yards, Erin Hills, third round, Erin, Wis., 2017
- 7,721 yards, Erin Hills, fourth round, Erin, Wis., 2017
- 7,695 yards, Chambers Bay, second round, University Place, Wash., 2015
- 7,676 yards, Torrey Pines Golf Course (South Course), fourth round, San Diego, Calif., 2021
- 7,664 yards, Torrey Pines Golf Course (South Course), second round, San Diego, Calif., 2021
- 7,637 yards, Chambers Bay, third round, University Place, Wash., 2015
- 7,635 yards, Torrey Pines Golf Course (South Course), first round, San Diego, Calif., 2021
- 7,616 yards, Torrey Pines Golf Course (South Course), third round, San Diego, Calif., 2021
- 7,603 yards, Torrey Pines Golf Course (South Course), second round, San Diego, Calif., 2008

#### **LONGEST PAR 3s IN U.S. OPEN HISTORY**

- 300 yards, 8th, fourth round, Oakmont (Pa.) C.C., 2007
- 299 yards, 8th, fourth round, Oakmont (Pa.) C.C., 2016
- 281 yards, 8th, second round, Oakmont (Pa.) C.C., 2007

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279 yards, 8th, third round, Oakmont (Pa.) C.C., 2007  
266 yards, 3rd, fourth round, Merion G.C. (East Course), Ardmore, Pa., 2013  
264 yards, 2nd, first round, Shinnecock Hills G.C., Southampton, N.Y., 2018  
261 yards, 8th, first round, Oakmont (Pa.) C.C., 2007  
258 yards, 8th, first round, Oakmont (Pa.) C.C., 2016  
256 yards, 3rd, third round, The Olympic Club (Lake Course), San Francisco, Calif., 2012

#### **LONGEST PAR 4s IN U.S. OPEN HISTORY**

551 yards, 13th, second round, Chambers Bay, University Place, Wash., 2015  
544 yards, 11th, second round, Chambers Bay, University Place, Wash., 2015  
542 yards, 4th, third round, Pinehurst Resort & C.C. (Course No. 2), Village of Pinehurst, N.C., 2014  
541 yards, 11th, first round, Chambers Bay, University Place, Wash., 2015  
541 yards, 11th, fourth round, Chambers Bay, University Place, Wash., 2015  
536 yards, 14th, first round, Shinnecock Hills G.C., Southampton, N.Y., 2018  
534 yards, 14th, third round, Chambers Bay, University Place, Wash., 2015  
534 yards, 6th, third round, Torrey Pines Golf Course (South Course), San Diego, Calif., 2021  
533 yards, 13th, third round, Chambers Bay, University Place, Wash., 2015  
530 yards, 11th, third round, Chambers Bay, University Place, Wash., 2015

#### **LONGEST PAR 5s IN U.S. OPEN HISTORY**

684 yards, 12th, first round, Oakmont (Pa.) C.C., 2016  
681 yards, 18th, fourth round, Erin Hills, Erin, Wis., 2017  
676 yards, 18th, second round, Erin Hills, Erin, Wis., 2017  
674 yards, 12th, third round, Oakmont (Pa.) C.C., 2016  
671 yards, 16th, third round, The Olympic Club (Lake Course), San Francisco, Calif., 2012  
667 yards, 12th, first round, Oakmont (Pa.) C.C., 2007  
667 yards, 12th, second round, at Oakmont (Pa.) C.C., 2007  
667 yards, 12th, fourth round, Oakmont (Pa.) C.C., 2007  
667 yards, 18th, third round, Erin Hills, Erin, Wis., 2017  
660 yards, 16th, first round, The Olympic Club (Lake Course), San Francisco, Calif., 2012

#### **THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED AT THE U.S. OPEN**

Jon Rahm: last international winner (2021)  
Brooks Koepka: last to defend title (2018)  
Francis Ouimet: last winner in his first attempt (1913)  
Webb Simpson: last winner in his second attempt (2012)  
Martin Kaymer: last start-to-finish winner with no ties (2014)  
Jon Rahm: last winner to birdie the 72nd hole to win by one stroke (2021)  
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Tiger Woods: last winner to birdie the 72nd hole to force a playoff (2008)  
Geoff Ogilvy: last winner without a round in the 60s (2006)  
Gary Woodland: last winner with all rounds in the 60s (2019)  
Jon Rahm: last winner between ages 20-29 (26 in 2021)  
Gary Woodland: last winner between ages 30-39 (35 in 2019)  
Payne Stewart: last winner age 40 and higher (42 in 1999)  
Gary Woodland: last defending champion to miss the cut (2020)  
Hale Irwin: last winner who received a special exemption (1990)  
Lucas Glover: last winner to come through final qualifying (2009)  
Orville Moody: last winner to come through local and final qualifying (1969)  
John Goodman: last amateur winner (1933)

#### **CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY**

The first United States Open Championship was won by Horace Rawlins in September 1895 at Newport Golf Club in Rhode Island. Rawlins earned \$150, a gold champion's medal, and possession of the championship sterling silver cup for one year. The trophy was designated for display at Rawlins' club until it was presented to the next year's champion. Thus began a perennial rite that has endured for more than a century.

The original two-handled cup was destroyed by fire in September 1946 at Lloyd Mangrum's home country club, Tam O'Shanter, outside of Chicago. The USGA considered replacing it with a new design, but opted instead to preserve the look of the original with a full-scale replica on April 24, 1947. This replica remained in service,

passed from champion to champion until 1986, when it was permanently retired to the USGA Golf Museum. Today, the U.S. Open champion receives possession of the 1986 full-scale replica. The original U.S. Open Trophy is on display at the USGA Golf Museum in Liberty Corner, N.J.

#### **FUTURE U.S. OPENS IN THIS DECADE**

June 15-18, 2023: The Los Angeles (Calif.) Country Club (North Course)

June 13-16, 2024: Pinehurst Resort & Country Club (Course No. 2), Village of Pinehurst, N.C.

June 12-15, 2025: Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club

June 18-21, 2026: Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, Southampton, N.Y.

June 17-20, 2027: Pebble Beach (Calif.) Golf Links

June 15-18, 2028: TBD

June 14-17, 2029: Pinehurst Resort & Country Club (Course No. 2), Village of Pinehurst, N.C.

#### **MERCHANDISE**

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#### **PHOTO MEDIA SERVICE**

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