

74th U.S. Junior Amateur Championship – Inside the Field

July 25-30, 2022, Bandon Dunes Golf Resort, Bandon, Ore.
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FIELD NOTES – Among the 264 golfers in the 2022 U.S. Junior Amateur field, there are:

Oldest Competitors: William Love (18, born 8-1-2003), Ian Davis (18, born 8-8-2003), Jose Luis Ballester (18, born 8-18-2003), Jacob Beckman (18, born 8-18-2003)

Youngest Competitors: Pierson Huyck (12, born 7-8-2010), Davis Wotnosky (13, born 1-3-2009), Miles Russell (13, born 11-1-2008), Jordan Giles (13, born 10-10-2008), Alex Zhang (13, born 8-18-2008)

Average Age of Field: 16.8

Field breakdown by age:

12: 1 competitor
13: 4 competitors
14: 5 competitors
15: 31 competitors
16: 39 competitors
17: 87 competitors
18: 97 competitors

U.S. States Represented – There are 37 states represented in the 2022 U.S. Junior Amateur, as well as the District of Columbia:

California (32), Florida (21), Texas (17), North Carolina (10), South Carolina (8), Georgia (7), Illinois (7), Minnesota (7), Arizona (6), Ohio (6), Virginia (6), Massachusetts (5), New Jersey (5), New York (5), Oregon (5), Pennsylvania (5), Tennessee (5), Utah (5), Colorado (4), Louisiana (4), Michigan (4), Alabama (3), Indiana (3), Kentucky (3), Maryland (3), Nebraska (3), Arkansas (2), Missouri (2), Nevada (2), Washington (2), Wisconsin (2), Connecticut (1), District of Columbia (1), Iowa (1), Kansas (1), Oklahoma (1), Rhode Island (1), South Dakota (1)

International – There are 25 countries represented in the 2022 U.S. Junior Amateur:

United States of America (206), Canada (15), People's Republic of China (6), Australia (5), Mexico (5), Chinese Taipei (2), Costa Rica (2), Ecuador (2), India (2), New Zealand (2), Pakistan (2), Thailand (2), Bulgaria (1), Cayman Islands (1), Germany (1), Guatemala (1), Norway (1), Paraguay (1), Peru (1), Republic of Korea (1), Singapore (1), South Africa (1), Spain (1), United Arab Emirates (1), Venezuela (1)

USGA Champions (1): Nick Dunlap (2021 U.S. Junior Amateur)

Most U.S. Junior Amateur Appearances (2022 included): Luke Clanton (3), Jonathan Griz (3), Drew Miller (3), Luke Potter (3)

Ranked in the Top 150 of the World Amateur Golf Ranking® (as of 7/20/22):

- Wenyi Ding (No. 20)
- Christiaan Maas (No. 25)
- Caleb Surratt (No. 29)
- Jose Luis Ballester (No. 49)
- Luke Potter (No. 100)
- Jeffrey Guan (No. 105)
- Nick Dunlap (No. 109)

- Luke Clanton (No. 112)
- Eric Lee (No. 136)

Drive, Chip & Putt National Finalists (18):

- Jonas Appel (2015 10-11)
- Ryan Blair (2015 10-11)
- Jaden Dum Dumaya (2022 **Won** 14-15)
- Nicholas Gross (2018 10-11)
- Lance Hollingshead (2018, 2021)
- Treed Huang (2014 **Won** 7-9)
- Pierson Huyck (2021 7-9)
- Cooper Jones (2016 10-11)
- Jay Leng Jr. (2015 **Won** 7-9; 2019 12-13)
- Ethan Lien (2021 12-13)
- Andrew McLauchlan (2019 14-15)
- Connor McNeely (2017 12-13)
- Matai Naqica (2022 14-15)
- Sam O'Hara (2016 10-11)
- Miles Russell (2018 7-9; 2021 10-11)
- Sam Udovich (2016 7-9; 2018 10-11; 2021 12-13)
- Tristan Wieland (2015 7-9)
- Grayson Wood (2015 7-9)

Players from Oregon (5): Miles Eastman (Portland), Jordan Giles (Talent), Collin Hodgkinson (Beaverton), Cole Rueck (Corvallis), Drew Woolworth (Lake Oswego)

Played in 2021 U.S. Junior Amateur (33): Kyle An, Jonas Appel, Barnes Blake, Carson Brewer, John Broderick, Mahanth Chirravuri, Luke Clanton, Sam Davis, Josh Duangmanee, Kaelen Dulany, Nick Dunlap, Miles Eastman, Aidan Emmerich, Matvey Golovanov, Andrew Gregory, Jonathan Griz, Arjun Gupta, Weston Jones, Bryan Kim, Joshua Koo, Bryan Lee, Andrew McLauchlan, Drew Miller, Ethan Paschal, Luke Potter, Aaron Pounds, Mason Roloff, Rhett South, Nate Stevens, Caleb Surratt, Hunter Thomson, Connor Williams, Davis Wotnosky

Played in 2021 U.S. Amateur (10): Akshay Anand, Kaelen Dulany, Nick Dunlap, Reed Greyserman, Jonathan Griz, Weston Jones, Carson Kammann, Luke Potter, Caleb Surratt, Hunter Thomson

Played in 2022 U.S. Open (1): Nick Dunlap

Played in 2022 U.S. Open Final Qualifying (15): Kyle An, Boston Bracken, Zach Burton, Luke Clanton, Wenyi Ding, Josh Duangmanee, Kaelen Dulany, Jaden Dum Dumaya, Max Herendeen, Ryan Jahr, Cooper Jones, Connor Malicki, Luke Potter, Caleb Surratt, Hunter Thomson

Played in 2022 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball (5): Reed Greyserman, Jackson Mitchell, Charlie Palmer, Aaron Pounds, Jack Usner

Played in 2019 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball at Bandon Dunes (1): Aidan Tran

Played in 2020 U.S. Amateur at Bandon Dunes (1): Luke Potter

PLAYER NOTES

Barnes Blake, 17, of Westfield, N.J., will play in his second U.S. Junior Amateur. He was chosen NJ.com Boys Golfer of the Year after winning the NJSIAA Tournament of Champions and the Group IV state championship by three strokes. Blake, a rising senior at Westfield High, has won four individual tournaments this year, including the Union County Conference title.

Boston Bracken, 16, of St. George, Utah, is a rising junior at Crimson Cliff High School. He was the runner-up in the 2021 Utah state high school championship and finished third the previous year as a freshman when his school won the team title. Bracken, who claimed last year's Washington County Amateur, carded a 4-under 68 in the Provo, Utah, local U.S. Open qualifier to become one of five players to advance to U.S. Open final qualifying. He shot rounds of 75 and 69 at The Olympic Club's Ocean Course to miss out by four strokes.

Carson Brewer, 17, of Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., advanced to the quarterfinals of last year's U.S. Junior Amateur, his first USGA championship. He earned the No. 10 seed in match play after establishing the competitive course record with a 66 on the Country Club of North Carolina's Cardinal Course. Brewer, who played baseball for many years before suffering elbow injuries, helped Ponte Vedra High School win the Class 3A state championship. He finished fourth individually and was chosen Florida Times-Union First Coast Player of the Year. Brewer tied for second in the 2021 Florida Boys' Junior Amateur (ages 16-18).

Tanner Cadieux, 16, of Greensboro, N.C., was the co-medalist with a 69 in the Richmond, Va., qualifier on June 13. Teri MacDonald, his mother, was a race car driver on the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series and CASCAR and his father, Charles, manages an International Motor Sports Association team. Tanner advanced to the Round of 32 in this year's North Carolina Boys Junior and tied for 19th in the Class 4A state high school championship. He has also been a member of a travel hockey team.

Jack Cantlay, 18, of Los Alamitos, Calif., will attend Long Beach State University this fall following a standout career at Servite High School. His brother Patrick is a seven-time winner on the PGA Tour, has played in seven U.S. Opens, was runner-up in the 2011 U.S. Amateur and was a member of the 2011 USA Walker Cup Team. In 2021, Jack, who was chosen All-Orange County, finished fifth in the SCGA Amateur, including a second-round 64. He also was runner-up in the AJGA at the Bridges and fifth in the Toyota Tour Cup at Industry Hills. His sister, Caroline, and brother, Nick, played collegiately at Cal Poly and Long Beach State, respectively.

Luke Clanton, 18, of Miami Lakes, Fla., will play in his third U.S. Junior Amateur after advancing to the semifinals last year. Clanton won the North & South Amateur at Pinehurst No. 2 earlier this month, defeating Tommy Morrison in the final match, 1 up. He also tied for third in the Terra Cotta Invitational, tied for 19th in the Sunnehanna Amateur and advanced to U.S. Open final qualifying. Clanton, an incoming freshman at Florida State University, has won the Class 2A state high school title in three of the last four years as a member of the American Heritage School team. He is a three-time Broward County player of the year. His cousin is LPGA player Cydney Clanton, who has competed in five U.S. Women's Opens.

Parker Claxton, 18, of Claxton, Ga., qualified for his first USGA championship by carding a 68 in the Athens, Ga., qualifier on June 27. His father, Paul, won the 2021 Senior PGA Professional Championship and has competed in two majors, including a T-23 finish in the 2005 U.S. Open. Parker, who will attend Georgia Southern University in the fall, was the runner-up in the AJGA Sam Burns Classic in May and won three events in 2021 – Brunswick Junior Classic, SJGT Harris England Invitational and Sanctuary Golf Club Junior Classic.

Edan Cui, 15, of Atherton, Calif., qualified for his first USGA championship as the medalist at the Stanford, Calif. site on June 20. Cui posted his lowest competitive round with a 63 (8 birdies, 1 bogey) at Stanford Golf Course. He was chosen San Mateo Daily Journal Boys Golfer of the Year as a freshman at Crystal Springs Upland High School. Cui shared runner-up honors in the state high school championship and was the medalist in the San Francisco City Championship. In 2021, he captured the U.S. Kids Teen World title in the age-14 group with rounds of 70-67-66.

Josh Duangmanee, 17, of Fairfax, Va., advanced to this year's U.S. Open final qualifying. He carded a pair of 71s and finished one stroke out of one of the four qualifying spots. He is competing in his second U.S. Junior Amateur. He caddied for his brother, George, in the 2020 U.S. Amateur at Bandon Dunes. George is a rising junior at the University of Virginia. George advanced to the quarterfinals of the 2019 U.S. Junior Amateur and to the semifinals of the 2020 Western Amateur. Their father, Thanakorn, played tennis at the University of South Alabama.

Jaden Dum Dumaya, 16, of Fairfield, Calif., won this year's Drive, Chip & Putt (boys 14-15) national championship at Augusta National Golf Club. Dum Dumaya, a rising junior at De La Salle High School, made a 15-foot putt on the 18th green to secure the victory and scored 29 of a possible 30 points in the overall competition. Dum Dumaya, who is of Filipino descent, shot a 1-under 71 in U.S. Open local qualifying at Ruby Hill G.C., in Pleasanton, Calif., to move on to the final qualifier at The Olympic Club. He shot rounds of 75 and 67 but did not advance. Dum Dumaya was the Junior Tour of Northern California's top player with seven wins in 2020-21.

Phillip Dunham, 14, of Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., holds the record for most U.S. Kids Golf World Championships won all-time with six victories (2014-2018, 2020). He is competing in his first USGA championship after birdieing his final two holes to shoot a 2-under 68 and secure one of five qualifying spots in Gainesville, Fla., on June 1. Dunham is right-handed but plays golf left-handed.

Nick Dunlap, 18, of Huntsville, Ala., defeated Cohen Trolio, 3 and 2, in the championship match of the 2021 U.S. Junior Amateur Championship at The Country Club of North Carolina to become the first player from Alabama to put his name on the trophy. Dunlap, an incoming freshman at the University of Alabama, was named the 2021 AJGA Rolex Golfer of

the Year. In 2021, he finished runner-up in the Junior PGA and Junior Players. He has competed in four USGA championships, including the 2022 U.S. Open at The Country Club. Dunlap, an avid hunter and fisherman, was also a national finalist in the NFL Punt, Pass & Kick skills competition.

Miles Eastman, 18, of Portland, Ore., will compete in his second U.S. Junior Amateur. He was the co-medalist with a 69 in the Woodburn, Ore., qualifier on June 12. He earned first-team All-Metro League recognition at Jesuit High School in Portland, where he served as captain. Eastman, who will play at NCAA Division III Occidental College this fall, works in the pro shop at Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club, which has hosted six USGA championships, including the 2000 U.S. Junior Amateur.

Jordan Giles, 13, of Talent, Ore., is the third-youngest player in the field. He earned his spot by converting a chip-in birdie on the first playoff hole in the Woodburn, Ore., qualifier on June 13. Giles carded a 1-under 70 at OGA Golf Course and then survived the 8-for-2 playoff to advance to his first USGA championship. Giles won the 12-13 age division of this year's Peter Jacobsen Junior Challenge by 10 strokes after posting a pair of 67s.

Reed Greyserman, 17, of Boca Raton, Fla., shot 69 to earn co-medalist honors in the Boca Raton qualifier on June 30. He was the youngest player in last year's U.S. Amateur field. Greyserman is the younger brother of Max, who competes on the Korn Ferry Tour and qualified for the 2017 U.S. Open, and Dean, who will attend Stanford University in the fall. In 2021, Reed reached the quarterfinals of the Met Junior. He finished fifth in this year's New Jersey State Amateur after finishing fourth last year. His parents were refugees from the Soviet Union. His father, Alex, is a hedge fund manager and math professor at Columbia University. His mother, Elaine, played tennis at Rutgers University.

Jonathan Griz, 18, of Hilton Head Island, S.C., was a quarterfinal in last year's U.S. Junior Amateur at the Country Club of North Carolina. He also advanced to match play in the U.S. Amateur at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club. Griz was the runner-up to Luke Clanton in this year's Azalea Invitational and made match play in the North & South Amateur. He became the youngest winner of the South Carolina Amateur in 2020 when he shot a final-round 67 to win by three strokes and also captured the North & South Junior Amateur. Griz, who will attend the University of Alabama this fall, was a Monday qualifier for the Korn Ferry Tour's Club Car Championship in March 2021.

Max Herendeen, 17, of Bellevue, Wash., is a rising senior at Bishop Blanchet High School and was one of six players to advance in U.S. Open local qualifying from the Cle Elum, Wash., site. Herendeen shot 67-73 in final qualifying and missed a playoff by two strokes. Herendeen, a two-time Metro Conference player of the year, has captured two Washington Junior Golf Association championships. He was the runner-up in this year's Washington State Amateur after tying for ninth in 2020. He and partner Ethan Evans played in the 2021 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball, his first USGA championship.

Collin Hodgkinson, 18, of Beaverton, Ore., advanced by making a birdie on the first extra hole in an 8-for-2 playoff in the Woodburn, Ore., qualifier. Hodgkinson, who will attend Oregon State University in the fall, was the runner-up in this year's OSAA Class 6A state championship. In 2021, he won the PNGA Junior Boys' Amateur, when he defeated Ethan Evans, 2 and 1, in the final, and the Oregon Junior Stroke Play. Hodgkinson, who has posted two second-place finishes in AJGA events this year, was the 2021 Oregon Junior Golfer of the Year.

Pierson Huyck, 12, of Phoenix, Ariz., is the youngest competitor in the U.S. Junior Amateur's 74-year history at 12 years and 17 days old. He surpasses Matthew Pierce Jr., who was 12 years, 2 months and 15 days old when he competed in 2001 at Oak Hills Country Club in Texas. Huyck shot a 2-under 70 at Hualalai Golf Course in Hawaii on June 18 and finished as the first alternate after losing in a playoff to Luciano Conlan for the lone qualifying spot. He competed in the 2021 Drive, Chip & Putt National Finals and enjoys riding dirt bikes and spending weekends at the motocross track.

Joshua Ince, 16, of Canada, is a cancer survivor. He was diagnosed with a Wilms tumor before his first birthday and spent the first several years of his life undergoing various treatments and surgeries. He has canvassed for the Canadian Cancer Society and volunteered at the WICC-BC annual golf tournament, which raises money for cancer care and prevention. Ince, who has two top-20 finishes in AJGA events this year, shot a 2-under 70 in the Port Ludlow, Wash., qualifier on June 21 to advance to his first USGA championship.

Cooper Jones, 18, of Highland, Utah, will be competing in his first USGA championship. He was one of five players to advance from the Provo, Utah, local qualifier to U.S. Open final qualifying in California. Cooper, a rising senior at Lone Peak High School, has helped his team win three consecutive Utah 6A state championships. In 2021, he was the state runner-up to teammate Kihei Akina. He became the youngest recipient of the Utah Golf Association Player of Year in 2021 when he captured the Southern Utah Open and Salt Lake City Amateur, winning the latter with an eagle on the first playoff hole.

Weston Jones, 18, of Sudbury, Mass., played in 10 events as a freshman at Rutgers University in 2021-22. His best finish was a tie for 15th in the Fighting Irish Classic. He qualified for both the U.S. Amateur and U.S. Junior Amateur last year. Jones, who was a quarterfinalist in the 2020 Massachusetts State Amateur, won the 2019 Division I state high school individual title and led Lincoln-Sudbury High to the team championship. Jones, who played soccer, basketball and baseball until age 13, teamed with partner John Broderick to win the 2021 Massachusetts Amateur Four-Ball.

Carson Kammann, 18, of Knoxville, Tenn., earned medalist honors with a 66 in the St. Louis, Mo., qualifier on June 21 to advance to his second USGA championship. He qualified for last year's U.S. Amateur at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club. His father, Scott, played in two U.S. Amateurs, reaching the quarterfinals in 1995, when he lost to nine-time USGA champion Tiger Woods, 5 and 3, at Newport (R.I.) Country Club. Carson, who will attend East Tennessee State University in the fall, was the runner-up in the Division I Class AA state championship last October. In 2020, he reached the quarterfinals of the Tennessee Match Play.

Kai Komulainen, 16, of Australia, was the winner of last year's Cameron Smith Scholarship, which provides amateur golfers in Australia an experience to stay at Smith's home in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., for a week of practice, training and living like a PGA Tour professional. Komulainen practiced with Smith, the 2022 British Open champion, at TPC Sawgrass for a week at the end of May and then flew to The Memorial Tournament in Ohio to experience Smith's tournament preparation at Muirfield Village. Komulainen collected five wins in Australia in 2021 and finished tied for 13th in the 2022 Australia Master of the Amateurs. He is competing in his first USGA championship.

Christiaan Maas, 18, of South Africa, is the No. 1-ranked amateur in South Africa and at No. 25 in the World Amateur Golf Ranking is the second-highest ranked player in the field. In May, he won the English Open Stroke Play (Brabazon Trophy) by five strokes, becoming the sixth South African to win the coveted title. Maas posted seven wins in 2021, including a 23-under-par performance at the South African Boys U19 Championship, which shattered the tournament scoring record previously held by former Masters champion Charl Schwartzel. He is an incoming freshman at the University of Texas, which recently won the NCAA title, and he will represent South Africa in the 2022 World Amateur Team Championship in September in France.

Jake Maggert, 17, of The Woodlands, Texas, advanced to his first USGA championship after carding a 68 in the Fort Worth, Texas, qualifier on June 13. His father, Jeff, won the 2015 U.S. Senior Open at Del Paso Country Club, captured three PGA Tour events and recorded seven top-10 finishes in the U.S. Open. Jake, a rising senior at Woodlands Christian Academy, has been a member of two 5A Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS) state championship teams. He placed second in the AJGA's Accenture NW Arkansas Junior last September.

Luke Potter, 18, of Encinitas, Calif., advanced to the semifinals of last year's U.S. Junior Amateur and reached the Round of 32 in the U.S. Amateur. Potter, who will attend Arizona State University in the fall, was also a Western Amateur quarterfinalist. He and partner Preston Summerhays, the 2019 U.S. Junior Amateur champion, reached the quarterfinals of the 2021 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Championship. In 2022, Potter was runner-up to Caleb Surratt in the Junior Invitational at Sage Valley, tied for ninth in the Terra Cotta Invitational, tied for 10th in the Trans-Mississippi Amateur and advanced to U.S. Open final qualifying. Potter captured the Maridoe Amateur and the SCGA Amateur in 2020 and led his high school team to a state title the previous year as a freshman.

Cole Rueck, 18, of Corvallis, Ore., will play in his first USGA championship. He was the runner-up in the Class 5A state championship and helped Corvallis High School win its ninth title. His father, Scott, is the head women's basketball coach at Oregon State University and has led the Beavers to seven NCAA Tournaments, including a Final Four appearance in 2016, and three Pac-12 Conference titles. Cole advanced to the Round of 16 in last year's Pacific Northwest Golf Association Amateur and tied for fifth in the Oregon Men's Stroke Play. Rueck, who will attend Boise State University in the fall, was named the 2022 Oregon Sports Awards Boys' Prep Golfer of the Year.

Colin Salema 16, of Matthews, N.C., won the North & South Junior Amateur by three strokes on July 6. He shot rounds of 69-67-70 on Pinehurst No. 2 and No. 7. Salema was the medalist with a 66 in the Concord, N.C., qualifier on June 27 and will play in his first U.S. Junior Amateur. A rising junior at Providence High School, he has twice been named South Mecklenburg player of the year and earned second-team all-state honors. He was the runner-up in the Division 4A West regional and tied for 14th in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state championship.

Caleb Surratt, 18, of Indian Trail, N.C., won the Junior Invitational at Sage Valley in March and then became the first back-to-back winner of the Terra Cotta Invitational in May. He also has top-5 finishes in the Northeast Amateur (3rd) and the Sunnehanna Amateur (4th) this year. Surratt, an incoming freshman at the University of Tennessee, reached the Round of 16 in the 2021 U.S. Junior Amateur and the Round of 32 in the 2021 U.S. Amateur at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club. He is the top-ranked American player in the field and No. 29 in the World Amateur Golf Ranking. Surratt won the 2021 Western Junior to join a list of champions that includes Jim Furyk, Collin Morikawa and Rickie Fowler.

Davis Wotnosky, 13, of Wake Forest, N.C., competed in last year's championship as a 12-year-old and was the third-youngest competitor in the history of the U.S. Junior Amateur. He will make his second championship start after earning a spot as the first alternate from the Ankeny, Iowa, qualifier. Wotnosky's brother, Grayson, is a rising junior at the University of Virginia who partnered with Akshay Bhatia to reach match play in the 2018 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball. His sister, Haeley, also played golf at the University of Virginia and has competed in one U.S. Women's Amateur and three U.S. Girls' Juniors.

Drew Woolworth, 15, of Lake Oswego, Ore., advanced to this year's U.S. Junior Amateur as the first alternate from the Worley, Idaho, qualifier on June 1. Woolworth shared medalist with a 69 at Circling Raven Golf Club but was eliminated in a 3-for-2 playoff. He was later added to the 264-player field. Woolworth, who will be a freshman at Lake Oswego High School, won the Oregon Junior Amateur on July 1. He was co-medalist in stroke play with Cole Rueck. He defeated Eli Huntington in the semifinals of match play and Jake Rodgers, 3 and 2, in the championship match.