



60th U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship – Fact Sheet

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

Anchorage Golf Course will be set up at 5,787 yards and will play to a par of 36-36—72.

ANCHORAGE GOLF COURSE HOLE BY HOLE

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Par	4	4	3	4	4	5	4	3	5	37
Yards	328	338	148	386	332	458	338	125	470	2,923

Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
Par	4	4	4	3	5	4	3	5	4	36
Yards	345	331	353	125	488	319	136	425	342	2,864

Note: Yardages subject to change.

ABOUT ANCHORAGE GOLF COURSE

Anchorage Golf Course, located on a hillside overlooking the city of Anchorage, is a municipal golf course that was designed by architect Bill Newcomb and opened in 1987. The layout, which features rolling, tree-lined fairways that lead to well bunkered, undulating greens, was recently remodeled by Forrest Richardson and Jeff Danner. The course offers views of three mountain ranges, including the tallest peak in North America, Denali (previously named Mount McKinley).

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ENTRIES

The USGA accepted 415 entries for the 2022 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 June 15 and July 12. To view qualifying results, visit 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 July 30-31, the field will be cut to the top 64 players for match play. Five 18-hole rounds of match play from Aug. 1-3 will determine the finalists, who will square off in an 18-hole championship match on Aug. 4.

SCHEDULE OF PLAY

Practice rounds will take place July 28-29, and the championship schedule is as follows:

- Saturday, July 30 (stroke play, Round 1, 18 holes)
- Sunday, July 31 (stroke play, Round 2, 18 holes)
- Monday, Aug. 1 (Round of 64, match play)
- Tuesday, Aug. 2 (Round of 32/Round of 16, match play)
- Wednesday, Aug. 3 (quarterfinals/semifinals, match play)
- Thursday, Aug. 4 (championship match, 18 holes)

ADMISSION

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

2021 CHAMPIONSHIP

Lara Tennant, 54, of Portland, Ore., became the first player since Carol Semple Thompson (1999-2002) to win three consecutive U.S. Senior Women's Amateur titles when she defeated seven-time USGA champion Ellen Port, of St. Louis, Mo., 2 and 1, in the championship match at The Lakewood Club in Point Clear, Ala. Tennant was the medalist and top seed, and she joined Port (2012, 2013, 2016) and Thompson as the only golfers to capture three or more titles since the format switched to match play in 1997.

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 event 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 age 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 been instrumental in the development of golf in this country, encouraging younger players and conducting tournaments at all levels.

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 IN ALASKA

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FUTURE U.S. SENIOR WOMEN'S AMATEUR SITES

Sept. 30-Oct. 5, 2023: Troon Country Club, Scottsdale, Ariz.

Sept. 21-26, 2024: Broadmoor Golf Club, Seattle, Wash.

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.

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.