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#### TORREY PINES GOLF COURSE



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# SCGA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### DEAR COMPETITORS,

On behalf of the Southern California Golf Association, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 126th SCGA Amateur Championship and the 11th SCGA Women's Amateur Championship.

I want to congratulate all participants on qualifying for this prestigious event and I'm excited for the best women and men golfers to compete at Torrey Pines GC.

The SCGA remains committed to conducting championships at the finest facilities in Southern California, and this year we are truly fortunate to be in America's Finest City at the nationally revered Torrey Pines. Nestled above the Pacific Ocean and steeped in golf lore and history, I look forward to watching you battle it out to engrave your name on a trophy next to greats such as Lilia Vu, Andrea Lee, Tiger Woods, and Sahith Theegala, to name a few.

Both these championships continue to attract top-ranked amateurs from across the region, comprising one of the strongest fields in amateur golf.

At Torrey Pines GC, this year's champions will need to navigate a true test on both the North and South courses. In doing so, they will have earned the title of being named an SCGA Champion and engrave their name in history.

As a bonus from being named our Amateur Champions, each player in their respective will also earn a ten-year exemption into the SCGA Amateur & SCGA Women's Amateur, but also for the men, into this year's U.S. Amateur Championship & for the women, into the 2026 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship. It is with great honor that we can partner with USGA to showcase the talents on both platforms.

I am excited for this great week ahead celebrating the best men and women amateur golfers in our region. It will be my honor to hand the trophies to our champions.



Zack Moran President, Southern California Golf Association

# FROM TORREY PINES GC

#### DEAR COMPETITORS,

On behalf of the City of San Diego Golf Operations Division, I want to welcome you to the 126th Southern California Golf Association Men's and 11th Women's Amateur Championships, at Torrey Pines Municipal Golf Course. We are delighted to host these prestigious events, where the region's finest amateur golfers will compete on one of golf's most storied stages.

Torrey Pines is celebrated for its formidable reputation and breathtaking scenic beauty. Having challenged the world's best professional golfers during events like the U.S. Open and Farmers Insurance Open, while hosting over 170,000 golfers from San Diego and from around the world, Torrey Pines remains one of California's most demanding facilities and a true test of skill and resolve.

We are proud to partner with the SCGA to deliver an exceptional championship experience. Their commitment to fostering a vibrant, inclusive golfing community aligns with our mission to provide world-class golfing opportunities to golfers of all ages and abilities. We are dedicated to ensuring your time here is both memorable and rewarding, whether you're pursuing the championship title or savoring the opportunity to play this iconic course.

As you prepare to compete, we wish you focus, confidence and enjoyment in every moment. May your performance reflect your passion and dedication, and may you leave with cherished memories from the 126th SCGA Amateur Championships. Best of luck, and thank you for joining us at Torrey Pines.

Thank you,

John Howard

Deputy Director, Golf Operations Division - City of San Diego





# SOUTH COURSE OVERVIEW

COURSE ESTABLISHED: 1957, Renovated in 2001 and 2019 ARCHITECTS: William P. Bell & William F. Bell (1957), Rees Jones (2001 & 2019) GREENS: Poa Annua FAIRWAYS: Kikuyu with Rye ROUGH: Kikuyu





COURSE RATING/SLOPE: 77.7/146 (M) / 78.5/143 (W) YARDAGE: 7,288 - 7,586 (M) / 6,290 - 6,312 (W) DEPUTY DIRECTOR, CITY OF SAN DIEGO: John Howard GOLF COURSE MANAGER, CITY OF SAN DIEGO: Matty Reyes HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL: Joe DeBock DIRECTOR OF AGRONOMY: Devin Cullen SUPERINTENDENT: Travis Rebischke

# NORTH COURSE OVERVIEW

COURSE ESTABLISHED: 1957, Renovated in 2016 ARCHITECTS: William P. Bell & William F. Bell (1957), Tom Weiskopf (2016 redesign) GREENS: Bentgrass FAIRWAYS: Kikuyu

**ROUGH:** Ryegrass overseeded Kikuyu





COURSE RATING/SLOPE: 74.8/132 (M) / 75.9/131 (W) YARDAGE: 7,032 (M) / 6,064 (W) DEPUTY DIRECTOR, CITY OF SAN DIEGO: John Howard GOLF COURSE MANAGER, CITY OF SAN DIEGO: Matty Reyes HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL: Joe DeBock DIRECTOR OF AGRONOMY: Devin Cullen SUPERINTENDENT: Travis Rebischke

# SOUTH COURSE MAP



### **MEN'S SCORECARD**

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	
YARDAGE	451	389	142- 178	462	454	530- 564	443- 462	177	585- 615	3,684 - 3,699	
PAR	4	4	3	4	4	5	4	3	5	36	
HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
YARDAGE	419	202- 225	480	539- 621	277- 437	466- 480	204- 227	443	522- 595	3,589 - 3,890	7,288 - 7,586
PAR	4	3	4	5	4	4	3	4	5	36	72

### WOMEN'S SCORECARD

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	
YARDAGE	409	323	142	384	393	449	387	139	481	3,107	
PAR	4	4	3	4	4	5	4	3	5	36	
HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
YARDAGE	352	167	370- 411	514	277- 359	394	183	375	473- 491	3,146 - 3,205	6,290 - 6,312
PAR	4	3	4	5	4	4	3	4	5	36	72

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# NORTH COURSE MAP



### **MEN'S SCORECARD**

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	
YARDAGE	421	495	215	457	525	416	332	174	556	3,581	
PAR	4	4	3	4	5	4	4	3	5	36	
HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
HOLE YARDAGE	10 536	11 339	12 108	13 459	14 408	15 202	16 393	17 520	18 486	IN 3,451	<b>TOTAL</b> 7,032

### WOMEN'S SCORECARD

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	
YARDAGE	395	355	145	357	503	380	259	161	476	3,031	
PAR	4	4	3	4	5	4	4	3	5	36	
HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTA
YARDAGE	506	310	101	399	352	161	345	486	373	3,033	6,064

# AS SEEN IN FORCE MAGAZINE

# A Public Work of Art: The Evolution of Torrey Pines

By Tod Leonard

Back in the late 1980s, Torrey Pines couldn't have attracted the U.S. Open if San Diego had promised each of the USGA's executive members a mansion on the cliffs in La Jolla.

Not unless the USGA's criteria for the national championship changed from "tough track" to "dog track."

Torrey was a mess. There was hardpan the consistency of concrete everywhere on the heavily played municipal course, and where there was green stuff it was terribly infested by dreaded wire grass. The sprinkler system was essentially hoses and whirligigs.

It was fairly amazing that the South and North courses es hosted PGA TOUR events straight through from 1969, although they were barely up to professional standards. There were quite a few tournament years



when just about everything was marked off as ground under repair, including the fairways.

#### **BUT BEAUTIFUL**

The staffing was ridiculously small - about seven people per course. If the piece of land had not been so stunning, perched next to the sparkling Pacific, the TOUR would have fled.

In 1990, then-PGA TOUR Commissioner Deane Berman met with Tom Morgan, the Century Club's tournament director at the time, and didn't pull any punches with his baseball analogy.

"In the era of domed stadiums," Berman said, "you're playing on a sandlot."

That's when John Walter was hired as the new city golf manager. He worked through the city's bureaucracy to get manpower and get the course back in shape and, numerous managers later, Torrey Pines is arguably the best-maintained municipal facility in the country; and few - if any - can match its professional golf history.

Torrey Pines has served San Diego's golfing community for 58 years. The PGA TOUR champions here are among each era's greats: Jack Nicklaus, Tom Watson, Johnny Miller, Tom Weiskopf, Phil Mickelson and Tiger Woods.

Those guys show up for only one week per year though. It is the local golfers' fervent support of Torrey Pines that kept the courses viable in their early years, and now that Torrey is on many a bucket list, it is out-of-town dollars that supplement the green fees for San Diegans.

There still are lines that form in the early morning to get the "Dawn Patrol" slots before the reserved tee times begin, but at \$61 weekdays/\$76 weekends for city residents to walk the South, there isn't nearly the demand as in, say, 1986, when a local paid \$8.25 to play and non-residents forked over \$13.25.

In the old days, golfers on Friday and Saturday nights pulled their cars into the parking lot at midnight. The entire system was self-policed. It was like a game of "tag." Once the next car arrived, that guy was responsible for checking in the following guy. By 4:30 a.m., the coffee shop opened, and if you slept in and got there at 5, you might not get out until noon.



Tiger Woods with his Iconic 2008 U.S. Open win at Torrey

As one "Dawn Patrol" regular put it back in '86, "You meet the nicest guys in town out here. It costs thousands to join a country club and too often it's just a bunch of rich snobs. I'd much rather play out here with these guys."

#### **CAMP CALLAN MEMORIES**

It's been an extraordinary lifetime for this plot of land that in the early part of the last century was 1,162 acres of dusty, barren terrain with no trees. Torrey Pines Mesa became the perfect spot for the Army to set up the minicity (population 40,000) that was Camp Callan during World War II. Before those colorful hang gliders floated along the cliffs' edges, Air Corps planes towed targets so soldiers could practice with their 90-millimeter guns.

"If you had to be in the Army," one camp alum said, "it was the best spot to be."

The Army base closed after the war, the land went back to the city, and for a while they held automobile races on the mesa, spurring a proposal that they build a track that would host "the Indy 500 of the West Coast."

The city councilmen apparently liked golf better, and they allocated \$506,981 to build one course at Torrey Pines. They eventually got two at the suggestion of Pasadena architect William Bell Sr., one of the most prolific course designers of his time.

The money ran out, though, and the first superintendent, Don Makie, had to finish the construction with a city crew. To create some of the contours in the courses, they busted up the concrete slabs of Camp Callan and tossed dirt on them. Sand for the bunkers were trucked from Torrey Pines State Beach, and saplings nurtured in employees' backyards were used for landscaping.

The South Course opened first in June 1957, but it was far from a jewel.

"It was more or less a cow pasture," Makie once told the San Diego Union-Tribune. "It was just a long uninteresting slugger's golf course."

#### DAWN OF THE OPEN

Fast forward to the late summer of 2001. Torrey Pines had once again become a construction zone. Other than trees, it was all churned dirt, thanks to the renovation taking place. Architect Rees Jones, the "Open Doctor," had gone to work.

In 2000, San Diego attorney and former Century Club President Jay Rains had met Jones about a possible South

Course redo with an eye on hosting a future U.S. Open. Jones responded: "This is one of the greatest canvases an artist could have."

The work, financed by a group of prominent San Diegans, got done, and Torrey South became the first city-run course to be awarded the national championship.

One the eve of the 2008 U.S. Open, then-USGA Executive Director David Fay said, "I can tell you we're all really juiced about this one. This should be a memorable Open."

He had no idea. Late on Sunday afternoon, Tiger Woods drained possibly the most memorable putt of his career - certainly the most replayed - and went on to beat Rocco Mediate in a scintillating 19-hole Monday playoff. Torrey Pines not only



solidified its standing as a San Diego treasure, but as an iconic course on the world map.

For Woods, few of his 14 major wins were more special than that one, achieved on the land where he played his first 18 holes on a championship course, touring the North with his "Pops," Earl Woods' mojo at Torrey Pines was unmistakable. There he won a Junior World title, seven regular TOUR events, and the U.S. Open playing on a broken leg.

The buzz about the Torrey Open was so loud that it figured the USGA would quickly announce a return. It took its sweet time until the PGA Championship began sniffing around, and then in March 2014, the 2021 U.S. Open was awarded to the South Course.

"When you look back at 2008, it was magical," USGA Executive Director Mike Davis said. "It's an event that people aren't going to forget anytime soon. In my mind, it wasn't a question of if, it was a question of when an Open would come back."

#### **GOLF'S AMUSEMENT PARK**

Drop by Torrey Pines on any afternoon nowadays and you'll see obvious tourists, some not even golfers, walking around with plastic bags stuffed with souvenirs. This isn't just a golf course, but a tourist attraction. And like Disneyland, a return trip brings a familiar comfort, though some change always seems inevitable.

The North Course is scheduled to undergo a major refurbishing after the Farmers Insurance Open is completed in February 2016. It's been a controversial project, with the price tag rising to more than \$12 million and Phil Mickelson enthusiastically starting the design work, only to be banned from finishing it by state contracting regulations.

Torrey regulars have their fears, they don't want another South Course. City managers insist that won't be the case. In the end, its merits will be judged by the eyes of each golfer, because, as Rees Jones says, "Torrey Pines is a very public piece of art."

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND FORMAT

126<sup>™</sup> SCGA AMATEUR - 72 HOLES 11<sup>™</sup> SCGA WOMEN'S AMATEUR - 54 HOLES

### MONDAY, JULY 28:

**ROUND 1 (SOUTH COURSE) MEN:** Tee times from 7:00 – 9:10 a.m. (Holes 1 & 10)

WOMEN: Tee times from 12:30 - 2:20 p.m. (Holes 1 & 10)

### **TUESDAY, JULY 29:**

**ROUND 2 (NORTH COURSE)** 

**WOMEN:** Tee times from 7:00 – 8:50 a.m. (Holes 1 & 10)

\*Following the second round, the SCGA Women's Amateur field will be cut to the low 30 scores plus ties for the final round.

MEN: Tee times from 12:30 - 2:40 p.m. (Holes 1 & 10)

\*Following the second round, the SCGA Amateur field will be cut to the low 42 scores plus ties for the final two rounds.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 30:

ROUND 3 (SOUTH COURSE) MEN: Tee times from 7:00 – approx. 9:30 a.m. (Hole 1)

FINAL ROUND - SCGA WOMEN'S AMATEUR WOMEN: Tee times from approx. 9:40 – 11:30 a.m. (Hole 1)

### THURSDAY, JULY 31: FINAL ROUND - SCGA AMATEUR (SOUTH COURSE)

Tee times from 7:00 – approx. 9:30 a.m. (Hole 1)





### **AWARDS**

Awards for both championships will be presented immediately following the final round. In the event of a tie for first place only, a three-hole aggregate playoff will commence following the conclusion of regular play to determine the champion.

# CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

#### STARTING TIMES AND PAIRINGS

- » Starting times and pairings will be emailed to players and posted online at <u>scga.org</u> the week prior to the champion-ships.
- The lead group should plan to be at their assigned tee 10 minutes in advance of their starting time. Subsequent groups are encouraged to arrive once the preceding group has teed off. Players arriving late will be penalized under Rule 5.3a of the Rules of Golf. For example, the 9:00 a.m. starting time is defined as 9:00:00, and players arriving after that time are considered late.

#### **PRACTICE ROUNDS**

- » Players may only book one discounted afternoon practice round at either course beginning July 18 at 8 a.m. PSTthrough the SCGA Practice Round Portal. Afternoon practice rounds available July 25 - 27. Players may bring a caddie, but the caddie may not play.
- » Additional practice rounds are available to purchase at the posted course fees.
- » Fees: North Course \$58.50, South Course \$92.50

#### TEES AND HOLE YARDAGES

- » <u>126th SCGA Amateur Hole-By-Hole Yardages.</u>
- » <u>11th SCGA Women's Amateur Hole-By-Hole Yardages.</u>

#### **STRACKALINE BOOKLETS**

- » The SCGA and StrackaLine have teamed up to allow our participants the availability to purchase StrackaLine Yardage & Green booklets at a 20% discount.
- » Please click <u>here (South Course)</u> and <u>here (North Course)</u> to purchase your StrackaLine Booklet for Torrey Pines GC. All booklets conform to the Rules of Golf and may be used in tournament play.

#### PARKING AND REGISTRATION

- » Players, caddies, and spectators are encouraged to arrive in the same vehicle to best utilize available parking. If the parking lot becomes full, street parking is available.
- » All participants are required to check in with the SCGA on Monday at registration, located at the Scoreboard on the South end of the Golf Shop.

#### **DRIVING RANGE**

The driving range will open one hour prior to play each day of the championship.

#### DRESS CODE

Appropriate golf attire must be worn.



#### FOOD SERVICE

- » Participants will be on their own for all Food & Beverage purchases during the Championships.
- » The Grill at Torrey Pines will open by 6:30 a.m. each day of the championships. Additionally, the Snack Bar on the North and South Courses will be available for purchases. Cash and major credit cards will be accepted.

#### **SPECTATORS**

» Spectators and Caddies are welcome and encouraged to attend the SCGA Championships.



- » Spectators and Caddies will not be permitted in Golf Carts. (Requests for ADA Carts should be submitted to **champs@scga.org**).
- » All Spectators and Caddies are required to complete the Release of Liability for the City of San Diego. Please use the QR Code located above to complete the waiver. All Spectators and Caddies must show their confirmation email at the registration table daily. Each person will be issued a daily wristband allowing them access to walk the golf course.
- » If Spectator or Caddies have any questions leading up the championships, please contact the SCGA Championship & Golf Operations Department at champs@scag.org.

#### **MOBILE DEVICE POLICY**

- » Players, caddies, and spectators should turn their mobile devices to silent mode while on the golf course. Please limit phone calls to the parking lot.
- » Live scoring will be available throughout the championships at scga.org.

#### PHOTO GALLERY

Professional photos will be taken throughout the championship. Photos will be available online and are available for download and purchase at **scga.pixieset.com**.



#### **GOLF SHOP PURCHASES**

Major credit cards will be accepted for all purchases.

#### AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORTATION

- » During a round, a player must not ride on any form of motorized transportation except as authorized or later approved by the Committee (Model Local Rule G-6).
- » Players seeking to use a golf cart due to a medical or ADA-related reason must make arrangements with SCGA staff in advance of the championship.
- » Pull or push carts are permitted, including motorized carts.

#### **RULES OF PLAY**

- » Prior to participating, participants must review the SCGA's Policies & Procedures.
- » The **<u>Rules of Golf</u>** as approved by the USGA and The R&A govern play.

#### CODE OF CONDUCT



By submitting an entry for any SCGA-administered competition, the contestant understands that his/her participation is at the sole discretion of the SCGA. A contestant may be removed from any competition at the discretion of the SCGA staff or Championship Committee at any time before or during the competition. Incidents of unbecoming conduct or actions deemed to be detrimental to the image of the SCGA or the "Spirit of the Game" are grounds for such removal and suspension from future SCGA-administered competitions. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- » Willful damage of the golf course or golf course property
- » Club throwing or unnecessary club tossing
- » Offensive or unbecoming language
- » Public criticism of golf course or verbal abuse of SCGA staff, officials, volunteers, host club staff or other contestants
- » Potential endangerment of others
- » Conduct deemed unbecoming
- » Failure to post scores for handicapping purposes
- » Manipulation of scores posted for handicapping purposes

#### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

» To withdraw for any reason prior to the start of the championship, a player must notify the SCGA Championships & Golf Operations Department at **champs@scga.org**.

#### **Refund Policy:**

- » Cancelation prior to the entry closing date: Full refund less a \$20 administrative fee.
- » Cancelation after the entry closing date and more than 48 hours prior to the start of the competition: **50% of the entry fee.**

# PACE OF PLAY POLICY

#### MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE TIME

The Committee at each competition will determine the maximum allowable time each group is permitted to play the round and each hole. This time will be posted on each player's scorecard, and each player and group is expected to maintain a pace that is faster than the maximum allowable time. A hole ends in stroke play when all players have holed out, and in match play, when all players hole out or the result of the hole is decided. See Rule 23.3c for when a hole is completed in four-ball competition.

#### **IN POSITION**

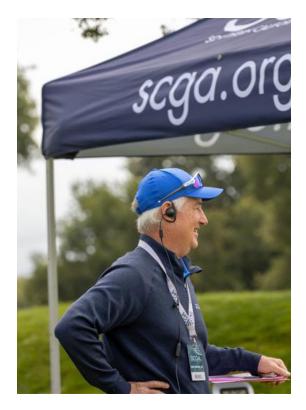
Groups are expected to remain in position throughout the round. Being in position means:

- » Reaching the teeing area of a par-3 before the group ahead has teed off on the next hole.
- » Reaching the teeing area of a par-4 before the group ahead leaves the putting green of that hole.
- » Reaching the teeing area of a par-5 before the group ahead gets to the putting green of that hole.

#### WARNING, CHECKPOINTS & PENALTIES

If a group is over its maximum allowable time and out of position, an SCGA official may issue the group a warning and provide a checkpoint by when the group must regain its position (e.g., within the next two or three holes). If a group receives a warning, it will be monitored by an SCGA official to observe its pace of play.

» If a group fails to regain its position by an established checkpoint, all players in the group will be informed that the checkpoint was missed and that one or more players in the group will be liable to receive a one-stroke penalty. The SCGA official will then provide another checkpoint by when the group must regain its position.



» If the group fails to regain its position a second time, one or more players in the group will be liable to receive the general penalty (loss of hole in match play or two penalty strokes in stroke play).

If the Committee identifies that a player (or players) in the group is the cause of the group failing to maintain pace of play and determines other players are playing within the requirements of this policy, those meeting the requirements of this policy may be absolved from penalty while others may.

#### THE SCGA TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REVIEW ALL PENALTY SITUATIONS.

### LOCAL RULES AND TERMS OF THE COMPETITION

The Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and The R&A govern play. These Local Rules and Terms of the Competition are in effect at all SCGA championships and qualifying rounds. See applicable championship or qualifying round Notice to Players and Entry Application for modifications or additions to these Local Rules and Terms of the Competition. Complete text of the Rules and Local Rules may be found in the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf, effective January 2023. Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty.

#### LOCAL RULES

**OUT OF BOUNDS** – Defined by the line between the course-side points of white stakes and fence posts at ground level.

**PENALTY AREAS** — When a penalty area is defined on only one side, it extends to infinity. When a penalty area is connected to the out-of-bounds edge, the penalty area extends to and coincides with out of bounds.

**GROUND UNDER REPAIR** – Defined by white lines. French drains are ground under repair.

Ground under repair may include areas of unusual damage but only when so declared by an authorized member of the Committee. When immediately adjacent to an immovable obstruction, such an area is part of that obstruction.

**RELIEF FROM SEAMS OF CUT TURF (SOD SEAMS)** — Model Local Rule F-7 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

**AERATION HOLES** – Model Local Rule E-4 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

**EDGING GROOVES** – Model Local Rule F-19 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

WHITE-LINED AREAS TYING INTO ARTIFICIALLY SURFACED ROADS AND PATHS —White-lined areas of ground under repair and the artificially surfaced roads, paths or other identified obstructions that they are connected to are a single abnormal course condition when taking relief under Rule 16.1.

WOOD CHIPS AND MULCH - Are loose impediments.

**INTEGRAL OBJECTS** – Include artificial walls and pilings when located in penalty areas or in or adjacent to bunkers.

**PROHIBITING USE OF CERTAIN TYPES OF SHOES** – Model Local Rule G-7 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

**LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS** – Model Local Rule G-1 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

**MISSING PLAYER OR MARKER CERTIFICATION** – Model Local Rule L-1 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

**PRACTICE** — Prior to and after a round in stroke play, a player may practice on the designated practice areas. Rule 5.2b covering practice in stroke play is modified in this way: A player may not practice on the competition course before or between rounds. Penalty for breach of Local Rule, see Rule 5.2. **PACE OF PLAY** – See separate memorandum to players for pace of play policy.

**STOPPING AND RESUMING PLAY** – Model Local Rule J-1 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect.

All practice areas are closed during an immediate suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to stop practicing; failure to stop practicing might result in disqualification.

An immediate suspension will be signaled by one prolonged air horn note. All other types of suspension will be signaled by three consecutive air horn notes. Resumption of play will be signaled by two short air horn notes.

#### WHEN COMPETITION IS FINAL:

**Stroke Play:** When the results and/or qualifiers and alternates have been determined. At championships, when the awards have been presented.

**Match Play:** When the result of a match has been reported to, and verified by, the committee.

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- Potential endangerment of others
- Conduct deemed unbecoming
- Failure to post scores for handicapping purposes
- Manipulation of scores posted for handicapping purposes

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CODE OF CONDUCT First Offense: Warning Second Offense: Disqualification

\*The Committee may disqualify a player for serious misconduct in failing to meet the Code's standards.

# **EXEMPTIONS EARNED**

The respective Champions will earn an automatic exemption into the 2026 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship and 2025 U.S. Amateur Championship.





#### 126th U.S. Women's Amateur Championship

The Honors Course

Ooltewah, TN | August 3 - 9, 2026



Additional SCGA Women's Amateur Champion exemptions earned:

10-year exemption into the SCGA Women's Amateur Championship

2025 SCGA Women's Match Play Championship

2026 California Women's Amateur Championship

#### Top-10 and ties receive the following:

2026 California Women's Amateur Championship

2026 SCGA Amateur Championship

125th U.S. Amateur Championship

The Olympic Club San Francisco, CA | August 11 - 17, 2025



Additional SCGA Amateur Champion exemptions earned: 10-year exemption into the SCGA Amateur Championship 2025 SCGA Match Play Championship 2026 SCGA Mid-Amateur Championship 2026 California Amateur Championship Top-5 and ties receive the following exemption: Exempt from 2026 U.S. Amateur Local Qualifying Top-10 and ties receive the following exemption: 2026 SCGA Mid-Amateur Championship 2026 California Amateur Championship 2026 SCGA Amateur Championship

# 11<sup>TH</sup> WOMEN'S AMATEUR EXEMPTIONS

- » Past 10 SCGA Women's Amateur Champions (2015 2024)
- » 2024 SCGA Women's Amateur Championship (Top-10 finishers)
- » Past 10 California Women's Amateur Champions (2015 2024)
- » 2024 California Women's Amateur Championship (SCGA members who qualified for match play)
- » 2025 SCGA Women's Mid-Amateur Championship (Top-5 finishers)
- » 2024 SCGA Women's Match Play Championship Semifinalists
- » 2024 SCGA Senior Women's Amateur Champion
- » 2024 California Senior Women's Amateur Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » 2024 Southern California Junior Amateur Girls' Champion
- » 2024 Winner of SCGA Tournament of Club Champions (Women's Championship Division)
- » 2024 CIF-SCGA Girls High School Champion
- » 2024 CIF State Girls High School Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » Torrey Pines Golf Course Exemption(s)
- » SCGA members who qualified for match play at the:
  - 2024 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship
  - 2024 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur Championship
  - 2024 U.S. Girls' Junior Amateur Championship
- » 2024 SCGA Women's Player of the Year Points List (Top-10 finishers)
- » SCGA members listed in the top 750 on the WAGR as of May 1, 2025
- » 2025 USNDP Team California Members
- » Past five SCGA Women's Players of the Year



# 126<sup>TH</sup> AMATEUR EXEMPTIONS

- » Past 10 SCGA Amateur Champions (2015-2024)
- » 2024 SCGA Amateur Championship (Top-10 finishers)
- » Past 10 California Amateur Champions (2015-2024)
- » 2024 California Amateur Championship (SCGA members who qualified for match play)
- » 2025 SCGA Mid-Amateur Championship (Top-5 finishers)
- » 2024 SCGA Match Play Championship Semifinalists
- » 2024 SCGA Senior Amateur Champion
- » 2024 California Senior Amateur Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » 2024 SCGA Public Links Champion
- » 2024 Southern California Junior Amateur Boys Champion
- » 2024 Winner of SCGA Tournament of Club Champions (Men's Championship Division)
- » 2025 CIF-SCGA High School Champion
- » 2025 CIF State High School Champion (if a SCGA member)
- » Torrey Pines Golf Course Exemption(s)
- » SCGA members who qualified for match play at the:
  - 2024 U.S. Amateur Championship
  - 2024 U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship
  - 2024 U.S. Junior Amateur Championship
- » 2024 SCGA Player of the Year Points List (Top-10 finishers)
- » SCGA members listed in the top 750 on the WAGR as of May 1, 2025
- » 2025 USNDP Team California Members
- » Past five SCGA Players of the Year



# **10TH WOMEN'S AMATEUR RECAP**

#### Annika Ishiyama Pens Big Comeback To Win 10th SCGA Women's Am

The milestone 10th SCGA Women's Amateur Championship yielded an equally remarkable champion in Annika Ishiyama who tied the women's course record (69) at The Saticoy Club en route to capping off a rather improbable comeback victory.

Ishiyama began the final round five strokes off the lead held by Jasmine Leovao of Long Beach State. Leovao, twotime Big West Champion, entered her final 18 holes as the only player in the field to have carded two rounds under par and was just a day removed from tying the course record, herself, along with her twin sister, Janea, who also shot 69 on Tuesday.

Despite Leovao's apparent stranglehold on the championship, Ishiyama had cut the lead to just two strokes by the time they made the turn together in the final group. Ishiyama's bogey-free 34 was three shots better than Leovao's 37 and a birdie on the 12th hole moved her into a tie for the lead.



The final five holes of the championship were drenched in drama as Ishiyama buried a lengthy birdie putt on the par-4 15th hole to move ahead of Leovao. The two would trade bogeys on the 16th and pars on the 17th.

With just one shot separating the leaders, each player found the fairway on the closing par 5. Leovano's second shot landed just 20 yards short of the green and she took advantage of the great positioning stuffing a low, spinning wedge to five feet for birdie. Meanwhile, Ishiyama faced a 20-footer, above the hole, after hitting another green in regulation.

Ishiyama's birdie try finished just low of the cup in easy tap-in range and her par set the stage for Leovao to pay off her first three shots with a potential birdie that would tie the lead and force a playoff.

It was not to be as Leovao just missed and ended up making a five to finish in solo second, just one shot back.

A large group of onlookers from the 18th green and clubhouse patio cheered raucously for Ishiyama who came all the way back from a five-shot deficit to win the 10th SCGA Amateur by a single stroke.

Ishiyama, who is committed to the University of Houston, is now on her way to the U.S. Women's Amateur as her victory at Saticoy earned her the coveted exemption.

Full Recap/Interview can be seen at scga.org.

# 125<sup>TH</sup> AMATEUR RECAP

#### 14-Year-Old Jaden Soong Dominates SCGA Amateur Championship

The hardest part about unpacking Jaden Soong's dominant fiveshot victory at the 125th SCGA Amateur Championship is figuring out where to start. It should probably be noted off the top that the young man from Burbank, Calif. is just 14-years-old.

Soong's bogey-free 66 in his final round was as surgical as it was beyond his years. The soon-to-be high school freshman got around The Saticoy Club like a veteran with decades of experience.

Eleven fairways, 14 greens and just 27 putts to go along with a perfect four-for-four in scrambling added to up to what his father, Chris, called "the best round of Jaden's life." Not bad for a kid that just graduated from eighth grade a few weeks ago.

As for the leaderboard, Soong cleared the field by five shots, making birdie on his 72nd hole to finish at -10 for the week. In the process, Soong became the youngest player ever to win the sec-



ond oldest amateur championship in the country. Now his name will forever be engraved alongside Tiger Woods, Sahith Theegala, Beau Hossler, Patrick Cantlay and Rico Hoey.

Apparently Soong read the screenplay as an action plot and not a drama. His second birdie on the front nine, which came at no. 6, gave him the outright lead over Leach and he would never look back from there.

The seventh hole proved to be the explosion scene of the movie. Leach, who entered the final round tied with Soong at -4, detonated his chances with a wayward drive and an approach shot that flew the green. It took two below average chips to finally get on the dance floor, where Leach would three-putt for a triple-bogey seven. Meanwhile, Soong made his second of back-to-back birdies—his third of the front nine—and the four-shot swing would cripple Leach's chances before even making the turn. The brown bear cub that ran across the fairway on Wednesday was now, somehow, the second-most memorable event that occurred at no. 7 this week.

After nine holes, Soong had a five-shot lead thanks to going out in 33. Edwards shot a 37 and Leach carded a 39.

Sticking to the film motif, the back nine was a sequel of the front. Soong again shot 33, with three more birdies, no bogies and no stress.

A testament to Soong's poise and talent is that you can easily forget you're watching a 5' 2", recently graduated middle schooler who is only 14-years-old. Today he showed up to play in a star-studded, pedigreed group and tore the course apart right in front of them to win a major amateur championship. What 14-year-old kid does that?

Jaden Soong. That's who.

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# SCGA WOMEN'S AMATEUR PAST CHAMPIONS



2024 Annika Ishiyama

The Saticoy Club

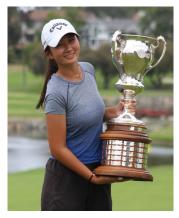


2023 **Christine Wang** Pauma Valley CC



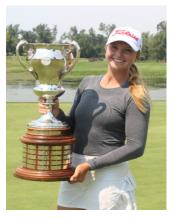
2022

Ashley Yun San Diego CC



2021

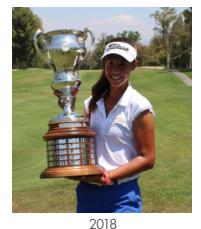
**Kelly Xu** Mesa Verde CC



2020 **Jamie Jacob** Goose Creek GC

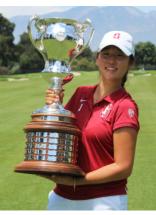


2019 Alyaa Abdulghany Newport Beach CC



Alexa Melton

Valencia CC



2017

Andrea Lee San Gabriel CC



**Lilia Vu** Rancho Santa Fe GC

2015

Andrea Lee The Los Angeles CC 22

# SCGA AMATEUR PAST CHAMPIONS

YEAR	CHAMPION	SITE
2024	Jaden Soong	The Saticoy Club
2023	Greyson Leach	Rolling Hills CC
2022	Caden Fioroni	San Diego CC
2021	Clay Seeber	Virginia CC
2020	Luke Potter	Goose Creek GC
2019	Sahith Theegala	Lakeside GC
2018	Joe Fryer	La Jolla CC
2017	Sam Choi	Mission Hills CC
2016	Rico Hoey	Barona Creek GC
2015	Nathan Celusta	Oakmont CC
2014	Beau Hossler	Rancho Santa Fe GC
2013	Beau Hossler	San Diego CC
2012	Bhavik Patel	Big Canyon CC
2011	Patrick Cantlay	San Gabriel CC
2010	Scott Travers	La Cumbre CC
2009	Austin Graham	Wilshire CC
2008	Kevin Marsh	Saticoy CC
2007	Brett Kanda	Victoria Club
2006	Scott McGihon	Bakersfield CC
2005	Scott McGihon	Tijeras Creek
2004	Tim Hogarth	Hillcrest CC
2003	Roy Moon	Torrey Pines GC
2002	Nico Bollini	El Caballero CC
2001	John Merrick	La Jolla CC
2000	Scott McGihon	Rancho Santa Fe GC
1999	John Pate	Industry Hills GC
1998	Greg Padilla	The SCGA Members' Club
1997	Craig Steinberg	Lakeside GC
1996	Kevin Marsh	Santa Maria CC
1995	Charlie Wi	Santa Ana CC

YEAR	CHAMPION	SITE
1994	Tiger Woods	Hacienda GC
1993	Todd Demsey	Brentwood CC
1992	Craig Steinberg	Fairbanks Ranch CC
1991	Craig Steinberg	Bel-Air CC
1990	Pat Duncan	Wilshire CC
1989	Paul Stankowski	Glendora CC
1988	Craig Steinberg	Annandale GC
1987	Greg Starkman	Braemar CC
1986	Dave Sheff	Hillcrest CC
1985	Brad Greer	Virginia CC
1984	Brad Greer	San Gabriel CC
1983	David Hobby	Santa Maria CC
1982	Mark Blakely	Stockdale CC
1981	Greg Twiggs	Stardust CC
1980	Jon (Bud) Ardell	Oakmont CC
1979	Jeff Hart	Hacienda GC
1978	Brian Gaddy	Bel-Air CC
1977	Doug Clarke	La Jolla CC
1976	Tony Sills	California CC
1975	Lee Davis	Wilshire CC
1974	Jim Porter	Brentwood CC
1973	John Richardson	El Niguel CC
1972	Mark Pfeil	Hillcrest CC
1971	John Beetham	Virginia CC
1970	Gary Sanders	Oakmont CC
1969	U.T. Thompson III	Hacienda GC
1968	Barry Jaeckel	Lakeside GC
1967	Greg Pitzer	Riviera CC
1966	John A. Jacobs	Victoria Club
1965	Richard Davies	Annandale GC

YEAR	CHAMPION	SITE
1964	Larry Brown	San Gabriel GC
1963	Bruce McCormick	Hillcrest CC
1962	Larry Bouchey	Virginia CC
1961	Ted Richards, Jr.	Los Angeles CC
1960	Ben Alyea	Brentwood CC
1959	Al Geiberger	Oakmont CC
1958	Frank Hixon	Wilshire CC
1957	Verne Callison	Lakeside GC
1956	Al Geiberger	Santa Ana CC
1955	Jerry Steelsmith	Annandale GC
1954	Ted Richards, Jr.	San Gabriel CC
1953	Fletcher Jones	Los Angeles CC
1952	John Dawson	Hillcrest CC
1951	Jim Ferrie	Virginia CC
1950	Jim Ferrie	Oakmont CC
1949	Jerry Douglas	Victoria Club
1948	Bruce McCormick	Wilshire CC
1947	Bruce McCormick	Los Angeles CC
1946	Bobby Gardner	Virginia CC
1945	John Dawson	San Gabriel CC
1944	John Dawson	Lakeside GC
1943	Smiley Quick	Hillcrest CC
1942	John Dawson	Los Angeles CC
1941	Pat Abbott	Oakmont CC
1940	Smiley Quick	Lakeside GC
1939	Frank Hixon	Annandale GC
1938	Pat Abbott	California CC
1937	Jack Gaines	Riviera CC
1936	Roger Kelly	San Diego CC
1935	Harry Wesbrook	Los Angeles CC
1934	Charles Seaver	Bel-Air CC
1933	Harold Thompson	Brentwood CC
1932	Jack Gaines	San Gabriel CC

YEAR	CHAMPION	SITE
1931	David Martin	Los Angeles CC
1930	Fay Coleman	Midwick CC
1929	Gibson Dunlap	Bel-Air CC
1928	Fay Coleman	Midwick CC
1927	George Von Elm	Lakeside GC
1926	Paul Hunter	California CC/ Brentwood CC
1925	George Von Elm	Los Angeles CC
1924	Paul Hunter	Annandale GC
1923	Willie Hunter	Midwick CC
1922	George Von Elm	Flintridge CC/ Pasadena GC
1921	Paul Hunter	Los Angeles CC
1920	E.H. Seaver	Los Angeles CC
1919	Douglas Grant	Los Angeles CC
1918	R.J. Cash, Jr.	Los Angeles CC
1917	Windsor B. Walton	Midwick CC
1916	Harold B. Lamb	Los Angeles CC
1915	E.S. Armstrong	Midwick CC
1914	Carleton Wright	San Gabriel CC
1913	Norman Macbeth	Los Angeles CC
1912	E.S. Armstrong	Los Angeles CC
1911	Norman Macbeth	Los Angeles CC
1910	Wm. Frederickson	Annandale GC
1909	Paul Hunter	Annandale GC
1908	Paul Hunter	Los Angeles CC
1907	Sterling Liness	Los Angeles CC
1906	Wm. Frederickson	Los Angeles CC
1905	Walter Fairbanks	Los Angeles CC
1904	W.K. Jewett	Los Angeles CC
1903	Walter Fairbanks	Los Angeles CC
1902	H.M. Sears	Pasadena CC
1901	Walter Fairbanks	Los Angeles CC
1900	Charles E. Orr	Los Angeles CC