



## 9th U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball Championship – Fact Sheet

May 11-15, 2024

Oak Hills Country Club, San Antonio, Texas

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### PAR AND YARDAGE

Oak Hills Country Club will be set up at 6,204 yards and will play to a par of 35-36-71.

*(Note: Yardages subject to change)*

### OAK HILLS COUNTRY CLUB HOLE BY HOLE

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Par	4	3	4	3	5	4	4	4	3	35
Yards	349	171	417	367	571	345	401	296	143	3,060

Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
Par	5	4	4	3	4	5	4	4	3	36
Yards	478	374	412	162	301	509	370	350	188	3,144

### ABOUT OAK HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

Originally founded as the Alamo Country Club in 1922, the club reopened after the second World War under the name Oak Hills Country Club. Nestled among acres of oak trees and the rolling hills of Southwest Texas, this A.W. Tillinghast design hosted the PGA Tour's AT&T Championship from 2002 to 2010 and was also the site of the 2001 U.S. Junior Amateur Championship. Oak Hills also hosted the Texas Open on 22 occasions. Champions of the Texas Open at Oak Hills include Arnold Palmer, Ben Hogan, Mark O'Meara and Tom Watson.

### ENTRIES

The championship is open to two-player sides of female amateur golfers, each of whom has a Handicap Index® not exceeding 14.4. The USGA accepted 436 side entries for the 2023 championship, setting a new record for number of entries (previously 425 in 2021).

### QUALIFYING

Qualifying was conducted over 18 holes at a total of 29 sites between Aug. 22 and Dec. 14, 2023.

[Click here](#) for a full list of qualifying results.

### CHAMPIONSHIP FIELD

A starting field of 64 sides (128 golfers) will compete in the U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball. Following 18-hole rounds of stroke play on May 13 and 14, the field will be cut to the low 32 sides for match play. Five 18-hole rounds of match play will determine the champions.

## SCHEDULE OF PLAY

Practice rounds will take place May 9 and 10, and the championship schedule is as follows:

- May 11 (Wednesday): First round, stroke play
- May 12 (Thursday): Second round, stroke play
- May 13 (Friday): Round of 32, match play
- May 14 (Saturday): Round of 16 and quarterfinal rounds, match play
- May 15 (Sunday): Semifinal and championship rounds, match play

## WHAT THE WINNERS RECEIVE

- A 10-year exemption from qualifying for the U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball, provided the side remains intact and amateur
- Exemption for each player into the 2024 U.S. Women's Amateur at Bel-Air Country Club in Los Angeles, Calif.
- Exemptions into the 2024 U.S. Girls' Junior, U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur and U.S. Senior Women's Amateur (if age-eligible)
- Gold medals and custody of the U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball trophy for one year
- Their names inscribed on a plaque recognizing all 2024 USGA champions that will reside in the Hall of Champions at the USGA Golf Museum in Liberty Corner, N.J.

**EXEMPT PLAYERS:** A total of fifteen sides or 30 players are fully exempt into the 2024 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball based on performances in USGA championships and other elite amateur competitions. Ten players (five sides) gained exemption into the championship by being in the top 400 of the World Amateur Golf Ranking™ (WAGR) as of the close of entries on Aug. 9, 2023.

- **Thienna Huynh/Sara Im** (2022 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball champions)
- **Savannah Barber/Alexa Saldana** (2021 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball champions)
- **Gianna Clemente/Yana Wilson** (Both players among top 400 points leaders in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Amelia Guo/Grace Jin** (2022 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball semifinalists)
- **Kary Hollenbaugh/Anna Ritter** (2022 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball semifinalists)
- **Kaitlyn Schroeder/Reagan Zibilski** (Both players among top 400 points leaders in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Kate Villegas/Tiffany Le** (2023 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball runners-up)
- **Leigh Chien/Anna Huang** (2023 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball semifinalists)
- **Angela Zhang/Alice Ziyi Zhao** (2023 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball semifinalists)
- **Vanessa Borovilos/Cara Heisterkamp** (2023 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball quarterfinalists)
- **Melanie Walker/Sydney Hackett** (2023 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball quarterfinalists)
- **Ami Gianchandani/Kaitlyn Lee** (2023 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball quarterfinalists)
- **Maddi Kamas/Lua Pousa Dacasa** (Both players among top 400 points leaders in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Savannah Grewal/Annabelle Pancake** (Both players among top 400 points leaders in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)
- **Brooke Rivers/Michelle Liu** (Both players among top 400 points leaders in Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking)

## 2023 CHAMPIONSHIP

Teenagers Gianna Clemente, of Estero, Fla., and Avery Zweig, of McKinney, Texas, became the youngest champions in the brief history of the U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball Championship with their 3-and-1 victory over current collegians Tiffany Le and Kate Villegas at The Home Course in DuPont, Wash. Clemente had been the runner-up in the previous year's U.S. Girls' Junior, while Zweig was the youngest Women's Amateur Four-Ball competitor five years earlier at 11 years, 3 months. To read more, click [here](#).

## CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

The inaugural U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball Championship was played in 2015 on the Pacific Dunes Course at Bandon Dunes Golf Resort in Bandon, Ore. Along with the U.S. Amateur Four-Ball, which also debuted in 2015, the championships were the first additions to the USGA's annual competitive schedule since the U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur in 1987. Since then, the USGA has added the U.S. Senior Women's Open (2018) and the U.S. Adaptive Open (2022).

## CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

2015: Mika Liu and Rinko Mitsunaga def. Robynn Ree and Hannah O'Sullivan, 4 and 3; Bandon Dunes G.R. (Pacific Dunes), Bandon, Ore.

2016: Hailee Cooper and Kaitlyn Papp def. Angelina Kim and Brianna Navarrosa, 19 holes; Streamsong Resort (Streamsong Blue), Bowling Green, Fla.

2017: Alice Chen and Taylor Totland def. Sammi Lee and Mary Ellen Shuman, 4 and 3; The Dunes Golf & Beach Club, Myrtle Beach, S.C.

2018: Katrina Prendergast and Ellen Secor def. Yachun Chang and Lei Ye, 1 up; El Caballero C.C., Tarzana, Calif.

2019: Megan Furtney and Erica Shepherd def. Jillian Bourdage and Casey Weidenfeld, 2 and 1; Timuquana C.C., Jacksonville, Fla.

2020: No championship (COVID-19)

2021: Savannah Barber and Alexa Saldana def. Jillian Bourdage and Casey Weidenfeld, 5 and 4; Maridoe G.C., Carrollton, Texas

2022: Thienna Huynh and Sara Im def. Kaitlyn Schroeder and Bailey Shoemaker, 1 up; Grand Reserve G.C., Rio Grande, Puerto Rico

2023: Gianna Clemente and Avery Zweig def. Tiffany Le and Kate Villegas, 3 and 1; The Home Course, DuPont, Wash.

## USGA CHAMPIONSHIPS AT OAK HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

This will be the second USGA championship contested at Oak Hills Country Club. The first was the 2001 U.S. Junior Amateur, won by Henry Liaw.

## OTHER NOTABLE CHAMPIONSHIPS AT OAK HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

- 2010 PGA Tour AT&T Championship (Rod Spittle)
- 2009 PGA Tour AT&T Championship (Phil Blackmar)
- 2008 PGA Tour AT&T Championship (John Cook)
- 2007 PGA Tour AT&T Championship (John Cook)
- 2006 PGA Tour AT&T Championship (Fred Funk)
- 2005 PGA Tour AT&T Championship (Jay Hass)
- 2004 PGA Tour AT&T Championship (Mark McNulty)
- 2003 PGA Tour AT&T Championship (Craig Stadler)
- 2002 PGA Tour AT&T Championship (Dana Quigley)
- 1992 Texas Open (Nick Price)
- 1991 Texas Open (Blaine McCallister)
- 1990 Texas Open (Mark O'Meara)
- 1989 Texas Open (Donnie Hammond)
- 1988 Texas Open (Corey Pavin)
- 1987 Texas Open (Tom Watson)
- 1986 Texas Open (Ben Crenshaw)
- 1985 Texas Open (John Mahaffey)
- 1984 Texas Open (Calvin Peete)
- 1983 Texas Open (Jim Colbert)
- 1982 Texas Open (Jay Hass)
- 1981 Texas Open (Bill Rogers)
- 1980 Texas Open (Lee Trevino)
- 1979 Texas Open (Lou Graham)

- 1978 Texas Open (Ron Streck)
- 1977 Texas Open (Hale Irwin)
- 1966 Texas Open (Harold Henning)
- 1965 Texas Open (Frank Beard)
- 1964 Texas Open (Bruce Crampton)
- 1963 Texas Open (Phil Rodgers)
- 1962 Texas Open (Arnold Palmer)
- 1961 Texas Open (Arnold Palmer)

## USGA CHAMPIONSHIPS IN TEXAS

This will be the 33rd USGA championship and second U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball contested in the state of Texas. In fact, the most recent USGA championship held in the Lone Star State was the 2021 Women's Amateur Four-Ball at Maridoe Golf Club in Carrollton. Champions Golf Club, host to the 2020 U.S. Women's Open, holds the record for the most USGA championships hosted by a single Texas club (5), and only four others have hosted more than one (The Club at Carlton Woods, Brookhaven C.C., Colonial C.C. and Shadow Hawk G.C.).

## WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FOUR-BALL AND FOURSOMES?

While each involves four players, four-ball and foursomes are different formats.

- In four-ball, matches are played in pairs (a player and a partner, called a side, against another player and partner), with each golfer playing his or her own ball on each hole. At the end of each hole, the player with the lowest score wins that hole for the side. In stroke play, the low score is the side's score for that hole.
- Foursome matches are also played in pairs (one side against another side), but each pair plays with only one ball. In this format, also known as alternate shot, the players take turns hitting the ball from the teeing ground and during play of each hole, with "Player A" hitting the tee shot, "Player B" the second shot, Player A the third, and so on. While the side can choose the order, if Player A hits the tee shots on odd-numbered holes, Player B must hit them on even-numbered holes.

## FUTURE SITES

May 10-14, 2025: Oklahoma City Golf & Country Club, Nichols Hills, Okla.

May 2-6, 2026: The Daniel Island Club, Charleston, S.C.

May 12-16, 2029: Desert Mountain Club, Scottsdale, Ariz.

TBD, 2037: Bandon Dunes Golf Resort, Bandon, Ore.

## PHOTO MEDIA SERVICE

The USGA will offer daily complimentary high-resolution photographs during the U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball for editorial use. Photos will be available on the [Content Hub](#), which requires a one-time, free registration, after which users can access any photo or video from the championship.

## MEDIA INFORMATION

Please contact Mike Trostel ([mtrostel@usga.org](mailto:mtrostel@usga.org), 781-801-3103) for more information regarding U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball coverage.

The online media center will include important and regularly updated championship information such as tee times, hole locations and player interview transcripts. It can be accessed directly at [mediacenter.usga.org/us-womens-amateur-four-ball](https://mediacenter.usga.org/us-womens-amateur-four-ball).

Profiles featuring information submitted by each player in the field can be accessed by visiting [playerprofiles.usga.org](https://playerprofiles.usga.org). Media account registration is required. [Click here](#) to register.

Applications for media credentials for the 2023 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball are available at [mediacenter.usga.org/credentials](https://mediacenter.usga.org/credentials).