119th U.S. Open Championship Sectional Qualifying Storylines

Monday, June 3, 2019

To assist with your coverage of U.S. Open sectional qualifying on Monday, June 3, the following storylines have been developed for each of the eight U.S. sites, Canada and England.

Sectional qualifying, conducted over 36 holes, will be held at the sites listed. The 2019 U.S. Open Championship will be contested from June 13-16 at Pebble Beach (Calif.) Golf Links.

RattleSnake Point Golf Club (Copperhead and Sidewinder courses), Milton, Canada
Walton Heath Golf Club (New and Old courses), Surrey, England
Big Canyon Country Club & Newport Beach Country Club, Newport Beach, Calif.
Streamsong Resort (Black Course), Bowling Green, Fla.
Hawks Ridge Golf Club, Ball Ground, Ga.
Woodmont Country Club (North Course), Rockville, Md.
Century Country Club & Old Oaks Country Club, Purchase, N.Y.
Brookside Golf & Country Club & Scioto Country Club, Columbus, Ohio
Springfield (Ohio) Country Club
Wine Valley Golf Club, Walla Walla, Wash.

Note: The final size of the field for each qualifier, along with the final number of available spots, will be announced on Monday, June 3. Scoring from all 10 qualifiers will be available at usopen.com/qualifying/sectional.html.

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RattleSnake Point Golf Club (Copperhead and Sidewinder courses)
Milton, Canada

- **Ricky Barnes**, 38, of Stockton, Calif., tied for second in the 2009 U.S. Open at Bethpage State Park's Black Course. He also qualified for the 2000 U.S. Open as a 19-year-old amateur, one of six Opens in which he has competed. Barnes won the 2002 U.S. Amateur Championship, defeating Hunter Mahan in the final at Oakland Hills.
- **Cougar Collins**, 19, of Canada, is a sophomore on the Eastern Michigan University team. Collins, who qualified for this year's U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Championship, tied for 11th in the Louisville Cardinal Challenge and tied for 34th in the Mid-American Conference Championship. He played hockey until age 14 and was active in slalom skiing and wake boarding.
- **Ben Crane**, 43, of Portland, Ore., has competed in seven U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 53rd in 2008 at Torrey Pines. He has won five PGA Tour events, including the 2014 FedEx St. Jude Classic and 2010 Farmers Insurance Open, and two Web.com Tour events.
- **Chris Crisologo**, 23, of Canada, won the South American Amateur by four strokes after earning NCAA Division II All-America recognition for the fourth consecutive year as a member of the Simon Fraser University team. He has played in three U.S. Amateurs and advanced to match play in 2017. Crisologo tied for 45th in the PGA Tour's RBC Canadian Open in 2018.
- **Cameron Davis**, 24, of Australia, is attempting to qualify for his first U.S. Open after tying for 39th in last year's Open Championship at Carnoustie. Davis has won on the Web.com Tour and PGA Tour of Australasia. He helped Australia win the 2016 World Amateur Team Championship by 19 strokes and was the individual leader (269). Davis also won the 2015 Australian Amateur.
- **Harris English**, 29, of Sea Island, Ga., has played in three U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 37th in 2016 at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club. English, who has won twice on the PGA Tour, has competed in eight USGA championships, including three U.S. Amateurs. He was a member of the 2011 USA Walker Cup Team.

- **Dylan Fritelli**, 28, of South Africa, is attempting to play in his second consecutive U.S. Open. He missed the cut at Shinnecock Hills last year. Fritelli, who has won twice on the PGA European Tour, has also competed on the Asian, Sunshine and Challenge tours. He helped the University of Texas claim the 2012 NCAA Championship.
- **Padraig Harrington**, 47, of the Republic of Ireland, won the 2007 and 2008 Open Championships, conducted by The R&A, and the 2008 PGA Championship. He has competed in 16 U.S. Opens and has posted five top-10 finishes. He tied for fourth in 2012 at The Olympic Club. He was chosen 2007 European Tour Player of the Year and 2008 PGA Tour Player of the Year. Harrington will captain the European Ryder Cup Team in 2020.
- **Scott Langley**, 30, of Scottsdale, Ariz., has competed in four U.S. Opens and tied for low amateur with Russell Henley in 2010 at Pebble Beach when they tied for 16th. Langley, who won the 2010 NCAA individual championship as a member of the University of Illinois team, claimed his first Web.com Tour title last year. He is the first alumnus of The First Tee to play on the PGA Tour.
- **Ryan Palmer**, 42, of Colleyville, Texas, won the PGA Tour's Zurich Classic of New Orleans with partner Jon Rahm on April 28. He has played in seven U.S. Opens and his best finish was a tie for 21st in 2011. He competed on mini-tours for several years before earning his PGA Tour card in 2004 after finished sixth on the Nationwide (now Web.com Tour) money list.

Walton Heath Golf Club (New and Old courses)
Surrey, England

- **Gregory Bourdy**, 37, of France, tied for 18th in the 2016 U.S. Open at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club, his best finish. He also competed in 2012 at The Olympic Club and in 2017 at Erin Hills. Bourdy has won four times on the PGA European Tour and led his country to a runner-up finish in the 2002 World Amateur Team Championship, held in Malaysia.
- **Nicolas Colsaerts**, 36, of Belgium, has played in four U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 10th at Merion Golf Club in 2013. He made the cut for the first time in a major in the 2012 U.S. Open at The Olympic Club and went on to tie for 27th. Colsaerts, who represented his country in the 2016 Summer Olympics, has won twice on the PGA European Tour.
- **Ross Fisher**, 38, of England, finished fifth in the 2009 U.S. Open at Bethpage State Park (Black Course), his best effort in five championship appearances. Fisher has won five PGA European Tour events, including the 2009 Volvo World Match Play at Wentworth. He was a member of the winning 2010 European Ryder Cup Team.
- **Gregory Havret**, 42, of France, was the runner-up to Graeme McDowell in the 2010 U.S. Open at Pebble Beach Golf Links. He tied for 30th the following year at Congressional Country Club. Havret, who captured the French Amateur three times, owns three PGA European Tour victories, including a playoff win over Phil Mickelson in the 2007 Barclays Scottish Open.
- **Sam Horsfield**, 22, of England, has played in 13 USGA championships, including the 2015 and 2016 U.S. Opens. Horsfield, who reached the Round of 16 in the 2016 U.S. Amateur, was the medalist in 2017 PGA European Tour Qualifying School. A two-time All-Southeastern Conference selection at the University of Florida, Horsfield was chosen first-team All-American and SEC Freshman of the Year in 2016.
- **Min Woo Lee**, 20, of Australia, is in his first year as a professional and plays primarily on the PGA European Tour. Lee, who competed in three U.S. Amateurs, defeated Noah Goodwin to win the 2016 U.S. Junior Amateur. He became the fourth international champion and the first male Australian in 10 years to win a USGA title. His sister, Minjee, captured the 2012 U.S. Girls' Junior and has won five LPGA Tour events, including this year's LA Open.
- **Alexander Levy**, 28, of France, has competed in three U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 27th in 2015 at Chambers Bay. Levy, the 2009 French Amateur champion, has won five PGA European Tour events. Levy, whose parents are pharmacists, helped France claim the 2010 World Amateur Team Championship in Argentina.
- **Andrew Johnston**, 30, of England, has played in three U.S. Opens, finishing 62nd last year at Shinnecock Hills, tying for 42nd in 2017 at Erin Hills and tying for 54th in 2016 at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club. Johnston, known as "Beef" since his youth, has won once on the PGA European Tour and twice on the Challenge Tour.
- **Edoardo Molinari**, 38, of Italy, is the older brother of reigning Open champion Francesco Molinari, who has competed in nine U.S. Opens. Edoardo won the 2005 U.S. Amateur at Merion Golf Club and became the first Italian to win the

championship. He has played in three U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 47th in 2010. Edoardo has won a combined nine titles on the PGA European, Challenge and Japan tours.

- **Thomas Pieters**, 27, of Belgium, played in his lone U.S. Open in 2017 at Erin Hills. He has won three PGA European Tour events and has three top-25 finishes on the PGA Tour this season, including a tie for 23rd in the PGA Championship. Pieters had a celebrated career at the University of Illinois and won the 2012 NCAA Division I individual championship. In 2013, he claimed the Big Ten Conference title and led the Illini to a runner-up finish in the NCAAs.
- **Alfie Plant**, 26, of England, earned the silver medal as the low amateur in the 2017 Open Championship at Royal Birkdale. Plant, who is in his second year as a professional, won the 2017 European Amateur Championship with a birdie on the fifth playoff hole. He was a member of the 2017 Great Britain and Ireland Walker Cup Team. Plant, who helped England finish second in the 2016 World Amateur Team Championship, has run a marathon, parachuted from a plane, bungee jumped and gone cage-diving among great white sharks.
- **Richie Ramsay**, 35, of Scotland, has played in three U.S. Opens, including last year at Shinnecock Hills. Ramsay, who has won three times on the PGA European Tour and twice on the Challenge Tour, claimed the 2006 U.S. Amateur. He became the first Scot since 1898 to win the championship. He was a member of the 2005 Great Britain and Ireland Walker Cup Team.
- **Jack Singh Brar**, 22, of England, won on the Challenge Tour last September and finished sixth on the Order of Merit to earn a place on the PGA European Tour in 2019. Singh Brar was a member of the 2017 Great Britain and Ireland Walker Cup Team. He won the 2017 Lytham Trophy and tied for second in the Brabazon Trophy and reached match play in both the U.S. Amateur and The Amateur Championship, conducted by The R&A.
- **Connor Syme**, 23, of Scotland, won the Challenge Tour's Turkish Airlines Challenge in a playoff on April 28 and has competed on the PGA European Tour. Syme, a member of the 2017 Great Britain and Ireland Walker Cup Team, competed in the 2017 Open Championship at Royal Birkdale and reached match play in The Amateur Championship. Syme advanced to the quarterfinals of the 2017 U.S. Amateur and won the 2016 Australian Amateur.
- **Lee Westwood**, 46, of England, has played in 18 U.S. Opens and has recorded nine top-25 finishes. He tied for third in 2008 at Torrey Pines Golf Course and in 2011 at Congressional Country Club. Westwood, who has competed on seven winning European Ryder Cup Teams, has compiled 24 victories on the PGA European Tour and has 43 professional wins overall.

Big Canyon Country Club & Newport Beach Country Club
Newport Beach, Calif.

- **Charlie Beljan**, 34, of Mesa, Ariz., has played in three U.S. Opens, including a tie for 18th in 2015 at Chambers Bay. He started his professional career on the Gateway Tour and earned his PGA Tour card in 2012. Beljan won the Children's Miracle Network Hospitals Classic later that year. In 2002, he claimed the U.S. Junior Amateur title, defeating Zac Reynolds in 20 holes.
- **Ricky Castillo**, 18, of Yorba Linda, Calif., reached the Round of 16 in last year's U.S. Junior Amateur. In 2017, he advanced to the Round of 32 in the U.S. Amateur and the Round of 16 in U.S. Junior Amateur. He was the youngest player (age 14) in the 2015 U.S. Amateur. A senior at Valencia High School, Castillo will attend the University of Florida in 2019-20. His brother, Derek, who plays at Cal State-Fullerton, tied for 10th in the 2019 Big West Championship.
- **Sean Crocker**, 22, of West Palm Beach, Fla., tied for 47th in last year's Open Championship at Carnoustie. He has competed in three U.S. Amateurs and two U.S. Junior Amateurs. He was twice chosen All-American and was a three-time All-Pac-12 Conference selection at the University of Southern California. Crocker, who was born in Zimbabwe, learned the game from his father, Gary, a professional cricket player.
- **Stewart Hagestad**, 28, of Newport Beach, Calif., won the 2016 U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship and was a member of the winning 2017 USA Walker Cup Team. In his Mid-Amateur triumph, he produced the largest comeback victory (4 down with five holes to play) since a 36-hole final was introduced in 2001. Hagestad, who was the low amateur (T-36) in the 2017 Masters Tournament, has competed in 17 USGA championships, including reaching the Round of

16 in the U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach last year.

- **Kaiwen Liu**, 19, of People's Republic of China, posted five top-20 finishes, including a tie for 14th in the NCAA Myrtle Beach Regional, as a sophomore on the University of California-Berkeley golf team. Liu has competed in five USGA championships, including two U.S. Amateurs. Liu, who attended Torrey Pines High, advanced to match play in three U.S. Junior Amateurs.
- **Isaiah Salinda**, 22, of South San Francisco, Calif., advanced to the semifinals of the 2018 U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach Golf Links. Salinda, a senior on the Stanford University team, earned first team All-Pac-12 Conference recognition and helped the Cardinal win its third consecutive Pac-12 championship, the NCAA Stanford Regional title and NCAA Championship. Salinda, who won last year's Pacific Coast Amateur, tied for sixth in the 2019 NCAA individual championship.
- **John Sawin**, 34, of Pebble Beach, Calif., carded a 67 to share medalist honors in the Santa Cruz, Calif., local qualifier at Pasatiempo Golf Club. Sawin is the vice president and director of golf at Pebble Beach Golf Links and moved to the position after a decade in financial services. Sawin has competed in six USGA championships, including two U.S. Amateurs. He won the 2014 Pennsylvania Amateur with a 25-foot putt on the final green at Oakmont Country Club.
- **Justin Suh**, 21, of San Jose, Calif., earned first team All-Pac-12 Conference honors for the third consecutive year. He tied for fourth in the 2019 NCAA individual championship. In 2018, Suh helped the University of Southern California win the Pac-12 Championship and was the conference individual champion. He was chosen Pac-12 Player of the Year. Suh qualified for the 2016 U.S. Open and advanced to match play in three consecutive U.S. Amateurs (2016-18). His sister, Hannah, played in the 2013 U.S. Women's Open.
- **Cameron Tringale**, 31, of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., has played in two U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 54th at Chambers Bay in 2015. Tringale, who advanced to match play in two U.S. Amateurs, was a member of the 2009 USA Walker Cup Team. He was a three-time All-America selection at Georgia Tech. He earned his PGA Tour card through qualifying school.
- **Jeff Wilson**, 55, of Fairfield, Calif., won the 2018 U.S. Senior Amateur Championship at Eugene (Ore.) Country Club. Wilson, a general sales manager for an automobile dealership, tied for 31st in last year's U.S. Senior Open and became the second player to earn low amateur in both the U.S. Open and U.S. Senior Open, joining Marvin "Vinny" Giles III. Wilson has competed in four U.S. Opens and was the low amateur in 2000 at Pebble Beach Golf Links when he tied for 59th place, Wilson has competed in 32 USGA championships, including 10 U.S. Amateurs.

Streamsong Resort (Black Course)
Bowling Green, Fla.

- **Tyson Alexander**, 30, of Gainesville, Fla., is the third of three generations of U.S. Open competitors. His grandfather, Skip, played in six U.S. Opens, including an 11th-place finish in 1948. His father, Buddy, won the 1986 U.S. Amateur and competed in two U.S. Opens (1987, 1994). Tyson qualified for the 2009 and 2017 U.S. Opens through the local and sectional stages.
- **Canon Claycomb**, 17, of Bowling Green, Ky., was the runner-up in the 2018 Class 1A state championship after tying for third the previous year. Claycomb, who reached match play in last year's U.S. Junior Amateur, helped Circle Christian High claim the 2017 state title. He splits time between Kentucky and Orlando, Fla. Claycomb has played on the Greenwood High team in Bowling Green since fourth grade and, in 2016, he led the team to a second-place finish in the state championship while tying for second individually.
- **Eric Cole**, 30, of Delray Beach, Fla., comes from an accomplished golf family. His father, Bobby, played in seven U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 12th in 1970. Bobby won a PGA Tour event in 1977 and captured nine titles in South Africa. His mother, Laura Baugh, won the 1971 U.S. Women's Amateur. She competed in 14 U.S. Women's Opens and tied for eighth in 1979. Eric has won nearly 40 events on the Minor League Golf Tour.
- **Luis Gagne**, 21, of Costa Rica, shared low amateur honors with Matt Parziale in the 2018 U.S. Open, tying for 48th at Shinnecock Hills. Gagne, a senior on the Louisiana State University team, also advanced to the Round of 32 in last year's U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach Golf Links. Gagne, who earned All-Southeastern Conference recognition for the third consecutive year in 2018-19, tied for 10th in the NCAA Stanford Regional. He has competed in three U.S.

Amateurs, reaching the quarterfinals in 2016, and two U.S. Junior Amateurs.

- **Retief Goosen**, 50, of South Africa, won the U.S. Open in 2001 (playoff with Mark Brooks) and 2004, a two-stroke victory over Phil Mickelson at Shinnecock Hills. Goosen, who was struck by lightning as an amateur, has seven wins on the PGA Tour and 12 victories on the PGA European Tour. He has played in 18 U.S. Opens and will compete for the first time in the U.S. Senior Open, held at the Warren Course at Notre Dame, in South Bend, Ind., on June 27-30.
- **Eugene Hong**, 19, of Gainesville, Fla., is a freshman on the University of Florida golf team. He advanced to the semifinals of the U.S. Junior Amateur in both 2015 and 2016. Hong also competed in the 2017 U.S. Amateur. Hong helped Circle Christian School win the 2017 Class 1A state title, tying for third as an individual. He won the 2016 Class 1A state championship and was the runner-up in 2014. He was chosen 2017 *USA Today* Boys Golfer of the Year.
- **Steve LeBrun**, 41, of West Palm Beach, Fla., played in his lone U.S. Open in 2012 when he qualified through local and sectional play. LeBrun, who tied for 46th at The Olympic Club, has competed on the PGA Tour and Web.com Tour, and has more than 50 victories on the Minor League Golf Tour. He was the first male golfer to be inducted into the Florida Atlantic University Athletic Hall of Fame and was the 2000 Atlantic Sun Conference Player of the Year.
- **Jack Maguire**, 24, of St. Petersburg, Fla., advanced through local and sectional qualifying to the 2017 U.S. Open, making the 36-hole cut and tying for 42nd. In his first U.S. Open, Maguire tied for 58th at Chambers Bay in 2015. Maguire has competed on PGA Tour Latinoamerica and the Web.com Tour. He made his professional debut in the PGA Tour's 2016 Phoenix Open, where he made a hole-in-one in the second round. He was an All-Atlantic Coast Conference selection for Florida State University.
- **Tyler McCumber**, 28, of Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., has combined to win six tournaments on PGA Tour Canada and PGA Tour Latinoamerica. McCumber considers himself a surfing thrill seeker. He rode 15-foot waves in Puerto Rico, following his philosophy: "If you're not living on the edge, you're taking up too much room." He is the son of Mark McCumber, who tied for second with Chip Beck and Ian Woosnam behind Curtis Strange in the 1989 U.S. Open. McCumber, who competed in 13 U.S. Opens, won 10 PGA Tour titles.
- **Tyler Strafaci**, 20, of Davie, Fla., earned All-Atlantic Coast Conference honors and helped Georgia Tech win the 2019 ACC title. He is the grandson of Frank Strafaci, who won the 1935 U.S. Amateur Public Links Championship and went on to become the executive director of the Florida State Golf Association and director of golf at Doral Country Club. Tyler's mother, Jill, played golf at the University of Florida from 1976-79. Tyler competed in last year's U.S. Open at Shinnecock Hills and advanced to match play in the U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach Golf Links.

Hawks Ridge Golf Club
Ball Ground, Ga.

- **Stephen Behr**, 26, of Atlanta, Ga., was stroke-play medalist and reached the Round of 16 in last year's U.S. Mid-Amateur. He also advanced to match play in the 2018 U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach. Behr earned his undergraduate degree in accounting from Clemson University and became a risk consultant for Ernst & Young. Although he was a second-team All-American and a first-team All-Atlantic Coast Conference selection for the Tigers in 2016, Behr chose not to turn professional. His father, Steve, is the head golf professional at Florence (S.C.) Country Club.
- **Derek Busby**, 35, of Ruston, La., is attempting to qualify for his first U.S. Open. He has competed in eight USGA championships, including advancing to the Round of 16 in last year's U.S. Mid-Amateur at Charlotte (N.C.) Country Club. Busby and Stewart Hagestad, the 2016 U.S. Mid-Amateur champion, were partners in this year's U.S. Amateur Four-Ball.
- **Wilson Furr**, 20, of Jackson, Miss., is a sophomore on the University of Alabama team. He posted two top-10 finishes this season. Furr won the 2018 Mississippi State Amateur and also won the same championship at age 16, the youngest winner in the event's history. Wilson has competed in two U.S. Amateurs (2016, 2017) and three U.S. Junior Amateurs.
- **Doug Ghim**, 23, of Arlington Heights, Ill., qualified for last year's U.S. Open at Shinnecock Hills and has played in eight USGA championships. He was the runner-up in the 2017 U.S. Amateur and was a first-team All-American at

the University of Texas. Ghim, who has two top-25 finishes on the Web.com Tour in 2019, was a member of the winning 2017 USA Walker Cup Team and posted a 4-0 record. He was also the 2014 U.S. Amateur Public Links runner-up to Byron Meth.

- **Kyle Reifers**, 35, of Columbus, Ohio, played at Wake Forest University and was a member of the 2005 USA Walker Cup Team. His father, Randy, is an Ohio Golf Hall of Fame inductee who played at DePauw University with former U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle and NBC/Golf Channel analyst Mark Rolfing. His mother, Alison, has competed in nine USGA championships.
- **Ollie Schniederjans**, 25, of Alpharetta, Ga., tied for 16th in The Players Championship in 2019. Schniederjans was a three-time All-American and two-time Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year at Georgia Tech. In 2014, he won the Mark H. McCormack Medal as the world's top amateur. Schniederjans tied for 42nd in the 2015 U.S. Open and missed the cut last year.
- **Mason Overstreet**, 22, of Kingfisher, Okla., advanced to the Round of 16 in the last year's U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach Golf Links. Overstreet, a junior on the University of Arkansas team, posted four top-10 finishes this season. He earned All-Central Region honors as a sophomore and was the runner-up in the NCAA Championship as a freshman.
- **Robby Shelton**, 23, of Birmingham, Ala., won twice on the Web.com Tour in May (Nashville Golf Open, Knoxville Open). He competed in his lone U.S. Open in 2014 after advancing through sectional qualifying. Shelton was a member of the 2015 USA Walker Cup Team. He was a three-time All-Southeastern Conference player for the University of Alabama.
- **Alex Smalley**, 22, of Wake Forest, N.C., is a three-time All-Atlantic Coast Conference selection for Duke University. He helped the Blue Devils win the 2017 ACC Championship. Smalley, who qualified for his lone U.S. Open at Erin Hills, has competed in three consecutive U.S. Amateurs (2016-18). He was the medalist and advanced to the Round of 32 in the 2016 U.S. Amateur.
- **D.J. Trahan**, 38, of Kiawah Island, S.C., has played in four U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for fourth at Torrey Pines Golf Course in 2008. Trahan, a four-time All-America selection at Clemson University, has two PGA Tour victories. He won the 2000 U.S. Amateur Public Links Championship. His father, Don, is a master golf instructor and is known as "The Swing Surgeon."

Woodmont Country Club (North Course)
Rockville, Md.

- **Robert Allenby**, 47, of Australia, has played in 15 U.S. Opens and has four top-25 finishes. His best performance is a tie for seventh in 2004. He has four wins on both the PGA Tour and PGA European Tour. Allenby has also won four Australian PGA Championships.
- **Joseph Bramlett**, 31, of San Jose, Calif., was the youngest player to qualify for the U.S. Amateur when he competed at age 14 in 2002. Bramlett was later sidelined for two years due to lateral spine dysfunction and returned to golf in 2018. He was an All-America and All-Pac-12 Conference selection at Stanford University and earned his PGA Tour card through qualifying school in 2010. He has five top-20 finishes on the Web.com Tour this year.
- **Erik Compton**, 39, of Coral Gables, Fla., was diagnosed with viral cardiomyopathy at age 9 and has since had two successful heart transplants. Compton, a member of the 2001 USA Walker Cup Team, has played in three U.S. Opens. He tied for second at Pinehurst No. 2 in 2014.
- **Billy Hurley III**, 36, of Annapolis, Md., has played in three U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 48th at Pinehurst No. 2 in 2014. Hurley, who graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy and was the 2004 Patriot League Player of the Year, was a member of the winning 2005 USA Walker Cup Team. He rose to the rank of lieutenant and served on U.S. Navy destroyers and cruisers.
- **Drew Kittleson**, 30, of Scottsdale, Ariz., was the runner-up to Danny Lee in the 2008 U.S. Amateur at Pinehurst No. 2 and competed in the 2009 U.S. Open and Masters. He has played in seven USGA championship, including five U.S. Amateurs. Kittleson, who was reinstated as an amateur four years ago, is a sales manager for a kitchen and bathroom remodeling company.
- **Mark Lawrence Jr.**, 22, of Richmond, Va., advanced to the semifinals of the 2017 U.S. Amateur and competed at

Pebble Beach Golf Links last year. Lawrence redshirted at Virginia Tech in 2018-19 and will return for his senior season in the fall. He was selected to the 2018 All-Atlantic Coast Conference squad and reached NCAA regional play for the second consecutive year. He captured the 2017 Virginia State Amateur, the same championship his father won in 1980.

- **Denny McCarthy**, 26, of Rockville, Md., owns four top-25 finishes on the PGA Tour in 2018-19. McCarthy, who was a member of the 2015 USA Walker Cup Team, has competed in two U.S. Opens and tied for 42nd at Chambers Bay. He was a three-time All-American at the University of Virginia and played in seven consecutive U.S. Amateurs (2009-15).
- **Garrett Rank**, 31, of Canada, became a full-time National Hockey League official in 2016-17 after working for several years in the American Hockey League. He qualified through local and sectional play and competed in his first U.S. Open last year at Shinnecock Hills. Rank, who overcame a cancer scare at age 23, was the runner-up in the 2012 U.S. Mid-Amateur. He has competed in 17 USGA championships, including seven U.S. Amateurs. He advanced to match play in the 2018 U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach.
- **Nick Sorkin**, 28, of Rockville, Md., signed as an undrafted free agent in 2014 with the National Hockey League's Montreal Canadians after totaling 20 goals and 21 assists as a senior at the University of New Hampshire and leading the Wildcats to NCAA Tournament play. Sorkin, who qualified for the 2016 U.S. Amateur, split time this season with the American Hockey League's Binghamton Devils and the East Coast Hockey League's Worcester Railers.
- **Karl Vilips**, 17, of Australia, has played in two U.S. Amateurs (2016, 2017) and advanced to the Round of 32 in last year's U.S. Junior Amateur at Baltusrol Golf Club. He tied for fourth in the 2019 Junior Invitational at Sage Valley on April 27. In 2018, he won the Wyndham Invitational and was the runner-up in the Western Junior. In 2017, he captured the Southern Amateur title and matched Bob Jones (1917) as the youngest champion in tournament history. Vilips, who was born in Indonesia, has used fund-raising activities to travel to tournaments.

Century Country Club & Old Oaks Country Club
Purchase, N.Y.

- **Brett Boner**, 45, of Charlotte, N.C., was the runner-up to Kevin O'Connell in last year's U.S. Mid-Amateur final at Charlotte Country Club. In 2016, he advanced to match play in the U.S. Mid-Amateur and played with his brother-in-law, Stephen Woodward, in the U.S. Amateur Four-Ball at Winged Foot Golf Club. Boner, a financial advisor who is a member at Carolina Golf Club, last year's Mid-Amateur stroke play co-host course.
- **Tyler Cooke**, 27, of Warwick, R.I., is attempting to play in his first U.S. Open and fourth USGA championship. He qualified for the 2017 U.S. Mid-Amateur and has competed in two U.S. Amateur Four-Balls with his brother-in-law Bobby Leopold. Cooke, whose father was an All-America golfer at Rollins College, played ice hockey and golf at the University of Connecticut.
- **Scott Harvey**, 41, of Greensboro, N.C., has competed in 30 USGA championships, including the 2017 U.S. Open at Erin Hills. He won the 2014 U.S. Mid-Amateur at Saucon Valley Country Club and was a member of the 2015 USA Walker Cup Team. Harvey, a property manager, was the runner-up to Stewart Hagestad in the 2016 U.S. Mid-Amateur and has played in all five U.S. Amateur Four-Balls with partner Todd Mitchell, from 2015-19, winning the 2019 edition on May 29 at Bandon Dunes (Ore.) Golf Resort.
- **J.J. Henry**, 44, of Fort Worth, Texas, has played in eight U.S. Opens and his best finish was a tie for 26th in 2007. His last U.S. Open was in 2016 when he advanced through the Memphis, Tenn., sectional qualifier with rounds of 67-68. Henry has registered three PGA Tour victories, including the 2015 Barracuda Championship, and played in the 2006 Ryder Cup Matches.
- **Kelly Kraft**, 30, of Dallas, Texas, is attempting to qualify for his first U.S. Open. Kraft won the 2011 U.S. Amateur, defeating Patrick Cantlay, 2 up, in the final at Erin Hills. He forfeited his exemption into the 2012 U.S. Open as U.S. Amateur champion by turning professional following that year's Masters. He was a member of the 2011 USA Walker Cup Team.
- **Michael McCoy**, 56, of Norwalk, Iowa, has played in 58 USGA championships. He was the low amateur in the 2014 and 2015 U.S. Senior Opens and won the 2013 U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship, the second-oldest winner.

McCoy, who was a member of the 2015 USA Walker Cup Team, reached the semifinals of last year's U.S. Senior Amateur and is scheduled to compete in his seventh consecutive U.S. Senior Open in 2018.

- **Gary Nicklaus**, 50, of Jupiter, Fla., is the son of four-time U.S. Open champion Jack Nicklaus. Gary, who has competed in 10 USGA championships, including the 1997 and 2001 U.S. Opens, advanced through the Jupiter, Fla., local qualifier. He qualified for last year's U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach Golf Links, where his father won the 1972 U.S. Open and 1961 U.S. Amateur.
- **John Pak**, 20, of Scotch Plains, N.J., won the 2019 Atlantic Coast Conference Championship and earned first-team All-ACC honors as a sophomore on the Florida State University team. He has recorded eight top-10 finishes. In 2018, he was chosen ACC Rookie of the Year, third-team All-America and to the Phil Mickelson All-Freshman Team. Pak has competed in two U.S. Amateurs (2017, 2018) and was a semifinalist in the 2016 U.S. Junior Amateur.
- **Matt Parziale**, 31, of Brockton, Mass., won the 2017 U.S. Mid-Amateur and became the first champion to earn a full exemption into the following year's U.S. Open. He and Luis Gagne were the low amateurs in the 2018 U.S. Open, tying for 48th at Shinnecock Hills. Parziale, who also competed in the 2018 Masters, has played in 13 USGA championships.
- **Andy Pope**, 35, of Glen Ellyn, Ill., has competed in three U.S. Opens. He was one of six players to make the cut in the 2015 U.S. Open after advancing through both local and sectional qualifying. Pope, who tied for 70th at Chambers Bay, played at Xavier University and has competed primarily on the Web.com Tour since 2012.
- **Johnson Wagner**, 39, of Charlotte, N.C., has played in two U.S. Opens (2004, 2007). He has recorded three PGA Tour victories, including the 2012 Sony Open in Hawaii. Wagner, who won the Met Amateur twice, has ties to upstate New York. His father taught computer sciences at the U.S. Military Academy.
- **Jack Wall**, 18, of Brielle, N.J., has won back-to-back individual state championships and has helped Christian Brothers Academy win three consecutive state crowns. Wall, who advanced through U.S. Open local qualifying for the second year in a row, was the 2018 NJ.com Golfer of the Year and finished second in last year's New Jersey State Amateur. His older brother, Jeremy, is also in this sectional field.
- **Jeremy Wall**, 23, of Brielle, N.J., was involved in Loyola University (Md.) capturing three Patriot League championships during a four-year span. Wall, who works in sales for a car dealership, earned first-team all-league honors twice. He won last year's Philadelphia Amateur and is competing in his seventh USGA championship. His brother, Jack, is also in this U.S. Open sectional field.
- **Cameron Wilson**, 26, of Rowayton, Conn., has played in three U.S. Opens. He finished 64th last year at Shinnecock Hills and qualified through both stages as an amateur in 2012. Wilson, who has competed primarily on the Web.com Tour, won the 2014 NCAA Division I individual championship. He was a first-team All-America and first-team All-Pac-12 Conference selection at Stanford University. He is ambidextrous but plays golf left-handed.
- **Cameron Young**, 22, of Scarborough, N.Y., earned All-Atlantic Coast Conference honors for the third consecutive year as a senior at Wake Forest University. He has competed in nine USGA championships, including five U.S. Amateurs. Young became the first amateur to win the New York Open when he shot a final-round 64 at Bethpage State Park's Black Course in July 2017. His father, David, is the head professional at Sleepy Hollow Country Club.

Brookside Golf & Country Club & Scioto Country Club
Columbus, Ohio

- **Ryan Armour**, 43, of Silver Lake, Ohio, was the runner-up to Tiger Woods in the 1993 U.S. Junior Amateur. He held a 2-up lead before Woods birdied holes 17 and 18 and won it with a par on the 19th hole. Armour recorded his first PGA Tour victory when he won the Sanderson Farms Championship by five strokes on Oct. 29, 2017. Armour, who earned All-America honors at Ohio State University, was a winner on the Web.com Tour in 2016.
- **Aaron Baddeley**, 38, of Australia, has played in 10 U.S. Opens and has three top-25 finishes. His best finish was a tie for 13th in 2007 when he was the 54-hole leader at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club. Baddeley has won four PGA Tour, two PGA European Tour and four PGA Tour of Australasia events. He was the runner-up to James Oh in the 1998 U.S. Junior Amateur.
- **Akshay Bhatia**, 17, of Wake Forest, N.C., was the runner-up to Michael Thorbjornsen in the 2018 U.S. Junior

Amateur Championship at Baltusrol Golf Club. He also advanced to match play in last year's U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach. In 2019, Bhatia made his PGA Tour debut at the Valspar Championship and tied for 42nd in his first Web.com Tour event. Bhatia, whose sister, Rhea, competed as a member of the Queens University of Charlotte women's golf team, aced the 17th hole at Pinehurst No. 2 at age 12.

- **Jamie Broce**, 42, of Indianapolis, Ind., recently competed his second season as head golf coach at IUPUI (Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis). Broce spent the previous five years at the University of Toledo and was an assistant at Indiana University. As a player, he earned All-America recognition at Ball State University. He qualified for the 2014 PGA Championship.
- **Sam Burns**, 22, of Shreveport, La., has played in two U.S. Opens and tied for 41st last year at Shinnecock Hills Golf Club. Burns, who won the Web.com Tour's Savannah Golf Championship last year, has five top-25 finishes on the PGA Tour in 2018-19. He received the NCAA Division I Jack Nicklaus Player of the Year for 2016-17 and was chosen first-team All-American as a member of the Louisiana State University team. In 2016, Burns qualified for his first U.S. Open and advanced to the Round of 32 in the U.S. Amateur.
- **Bud Cauley**, 29, of Jupiter, Fla., has competed in nine USGA championships, including two U.S. Opens and four U.S. Amateurs. He tied for 63rd in 2011 U.S. Open at Congressional Country Club. Cauley, who was a member of the winning 2009 USA Walker Cup Team, has one win on the Web.com Tour and was a first-team All-American at the University of Alabama.
- **Alex Cejka**, 48, of Germany, has played in seven U.S. Opens. He advanced through sectional qualifying to Pinehurst No. 2 in 2014. Cejka's best finish is a tie for eighth in 2010. At age 9, he and his father escaped from Czechoslovakia before settling in Frankfurt, Germany. He has won four times on the PGA European Tour and once on the PGA Tour.
- **Cameron Champ**, 23, of Sacramento, Calif., tied for 32nd in the 2017 U.S. Open at Erin Hills and was one of five players to complete 72 holes who advanced through both local and sectional qualifying. Champ, who was a member of the victorious 2017 USA Walker Cup Team, won the PGA Tour's Sanderson Farms Invitational and the Web.com Tour's Utah Championship last year. His father, Jeff, was selected in the Major League Baseball Draft by the Baltimore Orioles.
- **Bobby Clampett**, 59, of Bonita Springs, Calif., shot a 68 in Naples, Fla., local qualifying and survived a 6-for-5 playoff to advance. Clampett, who was born in Monterey, Calif. and attended the Stevenson School, has played in seven U.S. Opens, including a tie for third in 1982 behind Tom Watson and Jack Nicklaus at Pebble Beach Golf Links. Clampett, who works as a TV golf analyst, won the California State Amateur in 1978 and 1980, both at Pebble Beach.
- **Luke Donald**, 41, of England, has played in 13 U.S. Opens. His best finish was a tie for eighth in 2013 at Merion Golf Club. Donald, the 2011 PGA Tour Player of the Year, has won five Tour events and seven PGA European Tour titles, including two BMW PGA Championships. He also claimed the 1999 NCAA individual title while playing for Northwestern University.
- **Jason Dufner**, 42, of Auburn, Ala., has played in 12 U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for fourth in both 2012 at The Olympic Club and 2013 at Merion Golf Club. Dufner has won five times on the PGA Tour, including the 2013 PGA Championship, a two-stroke victory over Jim Furyk. Dufner was the runner-up to Trevor Immelman in the 1998 U.S. Amateur Public Links.
- **Bill Haas**, 37, of Greenville, S.C., has played in 10 U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for fifth in 2017 at Erin Hills. He has earned six PGA Tour victories, including the 2011 Tour Championship. Haas is the son of Jay Haas, who competed in 27 U.S. Opens. Bill was an All-American at Wake Forest University and was a member of the 2003 USA Walker Cup Team.
- **Cole Hammer**, 19, of Houston, Texas, was the third-youngest player to compete in a U.S. Open when he played at Chambers Bay in 2015. Hammer advanced to the semifinals of the 2018 U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach and reached the semifinals of last year's U.S. Junior Amateur. Hammer, who won the 2018 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball with partner Garrett Barber, has played in nine USGA championships. Hammer, who is a freshman at the University of Texas, tied for third in the Big 12 Conference Championship and tied for first in the NCAA Austin Regional.
- **Max Homa**, 28, of Valencia, Calif., won his first PGA Tour event, the Wells Fargo Championship, on May 5. He is

attempting to qualify for his second U.S. Open, having played in 2013 at Merion Golf Club. Homa, an All-American who won the NCAA individual title at the University of California-Berkeley, has two Web.com Tour victories. He was a member of the winning 2013 USA Walker Cup Team and reached the quarterfinals of the 2010 U.S. Amateur.

- **Beau Hossler**, 24, of Austin, Texas, has played in three U.S. Opens. He has three top-25 finishes on the PGA Tour this season was the runner-up to Ian Poulter in the 2018 Houston Open. Hossler, an All-American and two-time Big 12 Conference player of the year at the University of Texas, played in the 2011 U.S. Open at age 16 and tied for 29th in 2012. He has competed in 11 USGA championships and was a member of the 2015 USA Walker Cup Team.
- **Michael Kim**, 25, of Dallas, Texas, was low amateur in the 2013 U.S. Open, where he tied for 17th, and a member of the winning 2013 USA Walker Cup Team. Kim, who was born in the Republic of Korea but raised in San Diego, Calif., earned the 2013 Jack Nicklaus Award as the nation's top collegiate player while at the University of California-Berkeley. In 2018, he won the John Deere Classic by eight strokes, his first PGA Tour victory.
- **Jason Kokrak**, 34, of Cleveland, Ohio, has played in three U.S. Opens. He was 37th at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club in 2016 and tied for 53rd at Erin Hills in 2017. Kokrak, who joined the PGA Tour in 2012, tied for second in this year's Valspar Championship and has twice won on the Nationwide (now Web.com) Tour. He was the medalist in the 2007 U.S. Amateur and reached the Round of 16 in match play.
- **Danny Lee**, 28, of New Zealand, was the youngest champion (age 18) at the time when he captured the 2008 U.S. Amateur at Pinehurst No. 2. Lee has played in two U.S. Opens, including a tie for 59th in 2016 at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club. In 2015, he won the PGA Tour's Greenbrier Classic in a four-man playoff. He also was victorious on the PGA European Tour.
- **David Lingmerth**, 31, of Sweden, has finished in the top 25 in all three U.S. Opens in which he has competed. He best effort was 12th in 2016 at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club. He recorded his lone PGA Tour victory in the 2015 Memorial Tournament, defeating Justin Rose in a playoff. He was a two-time All-America selection at the University of Arkansas.
- **Maverick McNealy**, 23, of Summerlin, Nev., has played in two U.S. Opens and was the runner-up in the Web.com Tour's LECOM Suncoast Classic on Feb. 17. McNealy earned the Mark H. McCormack Medal as the world's top-ranked amateur in 2016. McNealy was a member of two USA Walker Cup Teams (2015, 2017). He was a first-team All-American in three consecutive seasons at Stanford University. McNealy, who was the recipient of the Ben Hogan Award as the nation's top college player in 2017, has competed in nine USGA championships.
- **Ryan Moore**, 36, of Las Vegas, Nev., has played in 10 U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 10th at Bethpage State Park (Black Course) in 2009. Moore, who owns five PGA Tour victories, won the 2004 U.S. Amateur and the 2002 and 2004 U.S. Amateur Public Links titles. In 2018-19, Moore tied for second in the Safeway Open and was third in the Valero Texas Open.
- **Collin Morikawa**, 22, of La Canada Flintridge, Calif., was named the 2019 Pac-12 Conference Golfer of the Year after winning the Pac-12 individual championship as a member of the University of California-Berkeley team. He was chosen All-Pac-12 first team for the fourth consecutive year and tied for sixth in the 2019 NCAA individual championship. Morikawa helped the USA win the 2017 Walker Cup Match. Morikawa, Maverick McNealy and Doug Ghim became the first trio of USA players to record perfect 4-0 Walker Cup records.
- **Joaquin Niemann**, 20, of Chile, earned his 2018-19 PGA Tour card with four top-10 finishes last year. Niemann won the 2018 Latin America Amateur Championship and established the 72-hole scoring record with a final-round 63. He received the 2017 Mark H. McCormack Medal as the top-ranked male amateur player in the world. Niemann, who qualified for the 2017 U.S. Open, turned professional after the 2018 Masters. He advanced to match play in two U.S. Amateurs.
- **Rod Pampling**, 49, of Australia, has played in eight U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 14th at Torrey Pines Golf Course in 2008. He advanced to the 2014 U.S. Open through the Columbus, Ohio, sectional qualifier. In 2016, Pampling registered his first PGA Tour win in more than 10 years by holding off Brooks Koepka in the Shriners Hospital for Children Open.
- **Scott Piercy**, 40, of Las Vegas, Nev., has played in seven U.S. Opens, including a tie for second with Jim Furyk and Shane Lowry behind champion Dustin Johnson in 2016 at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club. Piercy has won four PGA Tour events, including the 2012 RBC Canadian Open and the 2018 Zurich Classic of New Orleans with Billy

Horschel.

- **Patrick Rodgers**, 26, of Avon, Ind., has qualified for his two U.S. Opens through the Columbus, Ohio, sectional. He tied for 41st last year at Shinnecock Hills and was 46th in 2016 at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club. Rodgers, an All-American at Stanford University, was a member of two USA Walker Cup Teams (2011, 2013) and played in three U.S. Amateurs. He has four top-25 finishes on the PGA Tour this season.
- **Rory Sabbatini**, 43, of Slovakia, is one of the hottest players on the PGA Tour with four top-10 finishes in his last five starts, including a tie for sixth in the Charles Schwab Challenge on May 26. Sabbatini, who recently changed his citizenship from South Africa, has won six PGA Tour events. He has played in 11 U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 30th in 2011.
- **Sam Saunders**, 31, of Atlantic Beach, Fla., is the grandson of 1960 U.S. Open champion Arnold Palmer. In 2015, Saunders was co-medalist in the Columbus, Ohio, sectional qualifier and tied for 50th in the U.S. Open. He also played in the 2011 U.S. Open at Congressional Country Club. Saunders shot a first-round 59 and tied for second in the 2017 Web.com Tour Championship.
- **John Senden**, 48, of Australia, has played in seven U.S. Opens, including a tie for 10th at The Olympic Club in 2012. Senden's victory in the 2014 Valspar Championship is one of two PGA Tour wins. He turned professional in 1992 and was a regular on the PGA Tour of Australasia.
- **Steve Stricker**, 52, of Madison, Wis., has played in 20 U.S. Opens and has 13 top-25 finishes. He advanced through sectional qualifying in 2017 and 2018 and tied for 16th and 20th, respectively. He best finish was fifth in both 1998 and 1999. Stricker, who has 12 PGA Tour victories, was an All-American at the University of Illinois before starting his pro career in 1990. He is fully exempt to play in his first U.S. Senior Open at the Warren Golf Course at Notre Dame, June 27-30.
- **Braden Thornberry**, 22, of Olive Branch, Miss., won the Mark H. McCormack Medal as the world's top-ranked amateur. He is in his first year as a professional and has competed on the PGA Tour and Web.com Tour. Thornberry was a member of the victorious 2017 USA Walker Cup Team. He won the 2017 NCAA Division I individual title as a sophomore at the University of Mississippi. He received the Fred Haskins Award as the top college golfer and earned All-America and All-Southeastern Conference recognition.
- **Kevin Tway**, 29, of Edmond, Okla., won the 2018 Safeway Open, his first PGA Tour victory, in a playoff with Brandt Snedeker and Ryan Moore. Tway, who won the 2005 U.S. Junior Amateur Championship, has competed in three U.S. Opens and tied for 60th at Pinehurst No. 2 in 2014. Tway, an All-America selection at Oklahoma State University, is the son of 1986 PGA champion Bob Tway, who played in 18 U.S. Opens and tied for third in 1998.
- **Peter Uihlein**, 29, of Jupiter, Fla., has competed in three U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 48th last year at Shinnecock Hills. Uihlein, who was a first team All-America selection at Oklahoma State University, won the 2010 U.S. Amateur at Chambers Bay. He was also a member of the winning 2009 USA Walker Cup Team and posted a 4-0 match record.
- **Harold Varner**, 28, of Gastonia, N.C., has played in two U.S. Opens (2013, 2018). He is competing on the PGA Tour and has recorded six top-25 finishes the season. Varner posted his first professional victory at the 2016 Australian PGA Championship. He is the second American to win the title, joining three-time U.S. Open champion Hale Irwin (1978).
- **Brandon Wu**, 22, of Scarsdale, N.Y., earned first-team All-Pac-12 Conference for the second consecutive year as a senior on the Stanford University team. Wu helped the Cardinal win the Pac-12 title for the third year in a row, capture the NCAA Stanford Regional and claim the NCAA Championship. Wu, who tied for seventh in the conference championship and tied for sixth in the NCAA regional, has competed in two U.S. Amateurs. He was born in Danville, Calif., but lived in Beijing for five years.

Springfield Country Club
Springfield, Ohio

- **Zac Blair**, 28, of Orem, Utah, qualified for his lone U.S. Open through both local and sectional play. He tied for 40th at Pinehurst No. 2 in 2014. Blair, an All-America selection at Brigham Young University, has posted two top-10 finishes on the Web.com Tour and made one start on the PGA Tour this season.

- **Corey Conners**, 27, of Canada, shot 61-67 in the Springfield, Ohio, sectional qualifier to advance to his lone U.S. Open in 2017. He won the Valero Texas Open, his first PGA Tour victory, as a Monday qualifier on April 7. Conners was the 2014 U.S. Amateur runner-up to Gunn Yang at Atlanta Athletic Club. Conners, who played in three U.S. Amateurs and reached the semifinals in 2013, losing to eventual champion Matthew Fitzpatrick, competed on PGA Tour Latinoamerica in 2016 and the Web.com Tour in 2017.
- **Brad Dalke**, 21, of Norman, Okla., has helped the University of Oklahoma claim the Big 12 Conference Championship (2018) and NCAA Championship (2017) during his career. Dalke was the runner-up to Curtis Luck in the 2016 U.S. Amateur and played in both the U.S. Open and Masters in 2017. He has competed in nine USGA championships and reached match play in last year's U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach. His father (Bill) was a linebacker on Oklahoma's 1975 national championship football team and his mother (Kay Pryor) played on the first Oklahoma women's golf team.
- **Will Grimmer**, 22, of Cincinnati, Ohio, has competed in two U.S. Opens (2014, 2018). He tied for 66th last year at Shinnecock Hills Golf Club and advanced after earning medalist honors (66-69) in the Springfield, Ohio, sectional. Grimmer, a senior at Ohio State University, is a two-time All-Big Ten Conference selection. He helped the Buckeyes finish second in the 2019 NCAA Myrtle Beach Regional.
- **Nick Hardy**, 23, of Northbrook, Ill., earned first-team All-America honors and was the 2018 Big Ten Conference Player of the Year while playing for the University of Illinois. Hardy, who has competed on the PGA Tour and Web.com Tour, has played in two U.S. Opens, tying for 52nd in 2015 at Chambers Bay. He was the medalist in the Springfield, Ohio, sectional qualifier in 2016. He has competed in five U.S. Amateurs and two U.S. Junior Amateurs.
- **Austin Squires**, 22, of Union, Ky., advanced to the quarterfinal round of the 2018 U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach Golf Links. He has played in three USGA championships, including two U.S. Amateurs. In 2019, Squires became the first University of Cincinnati golfer to be chosen to the all-conference team three times. He was voted the 2017 American Athletic Conference Player of the year. His UC Bearcats coach, Doug Martin, won the 1984 U.S. Junior Amateur.
- **Brian Stuard**, 36, of Jackson, Mich., has played in four U.S. Opens and advanced to the championship through the Springfield, Ohio, sectional each time. He was the medalist in 2013 and 2014 and shot 66-71 last year to become one of five players from the sectional to qualify for Shinnecock Hills. Stuard won the PGA Tour's Zurich Classic of New Orleans in a playoff in 2016.
- **Michael Thompson**, 34, of Saint Simons Island, Ga., tied for second with Graeme McDowell behind champion Webb Simpson in the 2012 U.S. Open at The Olympic Club. Thompson, who has played in three U.S. Opens, was low amateur in 2008 at Torrey Pines. He has four top-10 finishes on the PGA Tour this season and won the 2013 Honda Classic. In 2007, he was the runner-up to Colt Knost in the U.S. Amateur.
- **Dylan Meyer**, 23, of Evansville, Ind., advanced to his first U.S. Open through the Springfield, Ohio, sectional last year. He tied for 20th at Shinnecock Hills. Meyer, who competes on the Web.com Tour, helped the University of Illinois claim its fourth consecutive Big Ten Conference Championship in 2018. He tied for fourth individually in the NCAA Championship after finishing tied for sixth the previous year. Meyer, who reached the quarterfinals of the 2016 U.S. Amateur, was the 2017 Big Ten Player of the Year when he won the conference individual title.

Wine Valley Golf Club
Walla Walla, Wash.

- **Wil Collins**, 40, of Rapid City, S.D., is attempting to advance to the U.S. Open through both local and sectional qualifying for the third time. Collins, who qualified in 2005 and 2013 through both stages, has competed on the PGA Tour, Web.com Tour and PGA Tour Canada. He won the 2001 Ben Hogan Award as college golf's top player while at the University of New Mexico.
- **Joe Highsmith**, 19, of Lakewood, Wash., was chosen 2019 West Coast Conference Freshman of the Year as a member of the Pepperdine University team. Highsmith, who was also a first team All-WCC selection, tied for eighth at the conference championship, was fourth in the NCAA Austin Regional and tied for 24th in the NCAA Championship. He reached the quarterfinals of last year's U.S. Junior Amateur and qualified for the U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach Golf Links.
- **John Murdock**, 22, of Laramie, Wyo., advanced to U.S. Open sectionals for the second consecutive year with a 70 in

the Fort Collins, Colo., local qualifier. Murdock, who has played the classical violin since third grade, tied for fifth in the 2019 Mountain West Conference Championship as a senior for the University of Wyoming. He was a four-time all-state high school selection at Laramie High.

- **Michael Putnam**, 36, of University Place, Wash., qualified for his fifth U.S. Open last year after shooting 73-64 in the Columbus, Ohio, sectional qualifier. He posted his best finish, tying for 35th, in 2017 at Erin Hills. Putnam was chosen 2013 Web.com Tour Player of the Year. He was an All-America player at Pepperdine University and a member of the 2005 USA Walker Cup Team. Putnam lives near Chambers Bay, the site of the 2015 U.S. Open.
- **Kevin Stadler**, 39, of Denver, Colo., is the son of 1982 Masters champion Craig Stadler, who competed in 18 U.S. Opens. Kevin has played in three U.S. Opens, with his best finish a tie for 63rd in 2014 at Pinehurst No. 2. He has won on the PGA Tour (2014 Waste Management Phoenix Open) and the PGA European, Nationwide (now Web.com) and Challenge tours.
- **Sam Tidd**, 19, of Meridian, Idaho, is a freshman on the University of Oklahoma golf team. He and partner Carson Barry have competed in two U.S. Amateur Four-Balls and were semifinalists in 2018. Tidd captured the 2017 5A state high school championship and was runner-up the following year. Tidd helped Rocky Mountain High claim two Idaho 5A state titles.
- **Noah Woolsey**, 20, of Pleasanton, Calif., tied for 13rd in the 2019 Pac-12 Conference Championship as a sophomore on the University of Washington team. He posted two top-10 finishes this season. Woolsey has played in four USGA championships, including two U.S. Amateurs (2015, 2018), and reached match play in the 2017 U.S. Junior Amateur.

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