

LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (Nov. 1, 2022) – The USGA today announced that Chicago Golf Club, in Wheaton, Ill., will be the host site for the 2033 U.S. Women's Open Presented by ProMedica and the 2036 Walker Cup Match. The historic club has previously hosted 12 USGA championships, most recently the inaugural U.S. Senior Women's Open in 2018.

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Located in Chicago's western suburbs, Chicago Golf Club was founded in 1892, debuted the first 18-hole course in the United States in 1893, and became one of five founding member clubs of the USGA in 1894. The storied club was established by Charles Blair Macdonald, who was the first U.S. Amateur champion in 1895 and served as the first vice president of the USGA.

Macdonald also designed the original Chicago Golf Club course, prior to Seth Raynor's redesign that opened for play in 1923. The course recently underwent a restoration to return the original fairway lines and dimensions of all 128 bunkers on the course, including 13 bunkers that were reinstalled after the club discovered maps that indicated they were part of Raynor's original layout.

"Hosting the best players in the world – men, women, amateur and professional – for USGA events is a point of pride for our club and a significant part of our long history," said Herb Getz, Chicago Golf Club president. "We very much look forward to building upon that history and continuing our valued partnership with the USGA on an even larger stage well into the future."

The venue has staged USGA championships in three centuries – U.S. Open (1897, 1900 and 1911); U.S. Amateur (1897, 1905, 1909 and 1912); U.S. Women's Amateur (1903); Walker Cup (1928 and 2005); U.S. Senior Amateur (1979) and U.S. Senior Women's Open (2018). Only six courses have hosted more USGA events than Chicago Golf Club's 12, and Illinois' 61 championships are the fifth-most of any state.

USA captain Bob Lewis called the 2005 Walker Cup Match at Chicago Golf Club "the greatest Walker Cup ever played" after the Americans held off Great Britain and Ireland, 12½-11½, to reclaim the Cup after three straight defeats. In 2018, Laura Davies won the inaugural U.S. Senior Women's Open with a dominant 16-under-par, 10-stroke victory over Juli Inkster at Chicago Golf Club.

"Winning a USGA championship is always special, but winning one at Chicago Golf Club, one of the finest golf courses in the world, makes it even more so, and hoisting a trophy there in 2018 was a highlight of my career," said Davies, who also won the 1987 U.S. Women's Open. "Chicago Golf Club is a great test of golf within a supportive golf community. It should make for a fantastic U.S. Women's Open venue and will certainly crown a worthy champion."

Earlier this year, Minjee Lee of Australia claimed the 77th U.S. Women's Open title with a record-setting four-stroke victory at Pine Needles Lodge & Golf Club in Southern Pines, N.C., joining a Hall-of-Fame group of players who have won both the U.S. Girls' Junior and U.S. Women's Open. The championship is open to female professionals and amateurs with a Handicap Index® not exceeding 2.4.

In 2021, the USA claimed its third consecutive victory over Great Britain and Ireland, prevailing by a 14-12 margin in the 48th Walker Cup Match at Seminole Golf Club in Juno Beach, Fla. Jointly organized by the USGA and The R&A, the Walker Cup Match is a 10-player amateur team competition between the USA and GB&I. Starting in 2026, the match will be held in even-numbered years.

Walker Cup Future Sites

Year	Venue	Location
2023	Old Course	St. Andrews, Scotland
2025	Cypress Point Club	Pebble Beach, Calif.
2028	Bandon Dunes Golf Resort	Bandon, Ore.
2032	Oakmont Country Club	Oakmont, Pa.
2036	Chicago Golf Club	Wheaton, III.

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Year	Venue	Location
2023, 2035, 2040, 2048	Pebble Beach Golf Links	Pebble Beach, Calif.
2024	Lancaster Country Club	Lancaster, Pa.
2025	Erin Hills	Erin, Wis.
2026	The Riviera Country Club	Pacific Palisades, Calif.
2027	Inverness Club	Toledo, Ohio
2028, 2038	Oakmont Country Club	Oakmont, Pa.
2029	Pinehurst Resort & Country Club	Village of Pinehurst, N.C.
2030	Interlachen Country Club	Edina, Minn.
2031, 2042	Oakland Hills Country Club	Bloomfield Hills, Mich.
2032	The Los Angeles Country Club	Los Angeles, Calif.
2033	Chicago Golf Club	Wheaton, III.

2034, 2046	Merion Golf Club	Ardmore, Pa.

About the USGA

The USGA is a nonprofit organization that celebrates, serves and advances the game of golf. Founded in 1894, we conduct many of golf's premier professional and amateur championships, including the U.S. Open and U.S. Women's Open Presented by ProMedica. With The R&A, we govern the sport via a global set of playing, equipment, handicapping and amateur status rules. The USGA campus in Liberty Corner, New Jersey, is home to the Association's Research and Test Center, where science and innovation are fueling a healthy and sustainable game for the future. The campus is also home to the USGA Golf Museum, where we honor the game by curating the world's most comprehensive archive of golf artifacts. To learn more, visit <u>usga.org</u>.

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