

LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (Oct. 14, 2025) - The United States Golf Association (USGA) today announced that Eugene (Ore.) Country Club will host the 2029 U.S. Girls' Junior Championship. It will be the sixth USGA championship held at the club and the first since 2018.

"The USGA is excited to return to Eugene Country Club and continue our long-standing relationship with the club," said Mark Hill, USGA managing director of championships. "Eugene Country Club has proven understanding in providing an exceptional experience for our players both on and off the course, and we look forward to the test it will provide for our competitors."

Founded in 1899, Eugene Country Club is the second-oldest country club in Oregon. The course originally had nine holes featuring sand greens. In 1923, two-time U.S. Amateur champion H. Chandler Egan was recruited to design the updated 18-hole layout. In 1960, Robert Trent Jones Sr. redesigned the course before golf course company Jackson Kahn Design renovated the layout in 2021.

"Eugene Country Club is honored to be selected as the site for the 2029 U.S. Girls' Junior," said Eugene Country Club General Manager Rich Spurlin. "We are excited to welcome back the USGA to our course to further our decades-long tradition of championship golf. Our club values its relationship with the USGA, and we look forward to an exciting future."

Eugene Country Club last welcomed a USGA championship in 2018 for the 64th U.S. Senior Amateur. That week, Jeff Wilson became the first medalist in 31 years to win the championship, defeating 2017 champion Sean Knapp, 2 and 1, in the 18-hole final.

The club's USGA history dates to 1964, when it hosted the U.S. Junior Amateur, where Johnny Miller defeated Enrique Sterling Jr., 2 and 1, in the championship final. Miller's triumph at Eugene Country Club was the first of his two USGA championships. Nine years later he produced an epic come-from-behind victory in the 1973 U.S. Open with a final-round 63.

When the USGA returned to the club in 1993, Jeff Thomas captured the U.S. Mid-Amateur title with a 1-up victory over Joey Ferrari.

Nine years later, Kathy Hartwiger defeated three-time champion Ellen Port, 2 up, in the championship final of the U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur. Hartwiger saved her best play for the final, needing only 28 putts in the title match.

Amanda Blumenherst won her lone USGA championship at Eugene Country Club when she captured the 2008 U.S. Women's Amateur with a 2-and-1 victory over Azahara Muñoz in the 36-hole final. Blumenherst was a three-time National Player of the Year at Duke University and Muñoz had won the NCAA Division I individual title three months earlier.

This will be the first U.S. Girls' Junior conducted in the state of Oregon, and the 42nd USGA championship in the state. This year, Megha Ganne captured the U.S. Women's Amateur at Bandon Dunes, in Bandon, edging Brooke Biermann, 4 and 3, in the 36-hole final. In 2023, Trish Johnson shot a 4-under 284 to win the fifth U.S. Senior Women's Open over Leta Lindley by one stroke at Waverley Country Club, in Portland.

The state of Oregon holds a strong tie to the U.S. Girls' Junior as University of Oregon standout Kiara Romero won the 2023 edition with her 1-up victory over Rianne Malixi at the United States Air Force Academy Eisenhower Golf Course in Colorado Springs, Colo. Romero was awarded the 2025 McCormack Medal as the leading female player in the World Amateur Golf Ranking® earlier this year.

The U.S. Girls' Junior is open to female amateur golfers who are under the age of 19 before the event's conclusion with a Handicap Index® that does not exceed 5.4. A starting field of 156 players will be cut to the top 64 scorers for match play.

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Five 18-hole rounds of match play will determine the finalists who will square off in the 36-hole championship match. The champion is awarded an exemption into the following year's U.S. Women's Open Presented by Ally.

Future U.S. Girls' Junior Sites

- 2026 – Old Chatham Golf Club, Durham, N.C.
- 2027 – Canterbury Golf Club, Cleveland, Ohio
- 2029 – Eugene (Ore.) Country Club
- 2030 – The Country Club, Brookline, Mass.
- 2031 – Trinity Forest Golf Club, Dallas, Texas
- 2032 – Pinehurst (N.C.) Resort & Country Club (Course No. 2)
- 2034 - Sand Valley Resort, Nekoosa, Wis.
- 2035 – Bandon (Ore.) Dunes Golf Resort
- 2037 – Whistling Straits, Kohler, Wis.
- 2038 – Oakland Hills Country Club (South Course), Bloomfield Hills, Mich.
- 2045 – Bandon (Ore.) Dunes Golf Resort

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