

LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (Jan. 12, 2021) – The United States Golf Association (USGA) today announced that the 3rd U.S. Senior Women’s Open will be played July 29-Aug. 1, 2021, at Brooklawn Country Club in Fairfield, Conn. The championship was previously scheduled to take place Aug. 19-22, 2021.

“In an effort to both ensure a strong field and prioritize our broadcast opportunities, we have made the decision to adjust the dates of the 3rd U.S. Senior Women’s Open,” said John Bodenhamer, the USGA’s senior managing director, Championships. “After listening to player feedback and consulting with our new broadcast partner, NBCUniversal, it was clear that separating the dates from the week of the AIG Women’s Open was important to the overall success of the championship.”

The U.S. Senior Women’s Open was one of 10 USGA championships canceled in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Last June, NBCUniversal took over the United States media rights for USGA championships through 2026.

The 2021 U.S. Senior Women’s Open will be the third USGA Open championship and fifth overall USGA championship hosted by Brooklawn Country Club. The club, founded in 1895, hosted the 1974 U.S. Junior Amateur Championship, won by David Nevatt; the 1979 U.S. Women’s Open, won by Jerilyn Britz; the 1987 U.S. Senior Open, won by Gary Player; and the 2003 U.S. Girls’ Junior, won by Sukjin-Lee Wuesthoff.

The format for the USGA’s newest championship will continue to be a walking-only, 72-hole stroke play competition over four consecutive days with a 36-hole cut to the top 50 players, including ties. World Golf Hall of Famer Laura Davies won the inaugural U.S. Senior Women’s Open at Chicago Golf Club in Wheaton, Ill., in 2018. Helen Alfredsson captured the 2019 championship at Pine Needles Lodge & Golf Club in Southern Pines, N.C.

The U.S. Senior Women’s Open is open to female professionals and female amateurs with a Handicap Index® not exceeding 7.4 who have reached 50 years of age by the start of the championship.

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. 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 usga.org.

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