LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (Aug. 22, 2023) - The United States Golf Association (USGA) announced on Tuesday that the Country Club of Buffalo (N.Y.) will be the host site for the 2027 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur and the 2032 U.S. Senior Amateur Championships. The club has previously hosted four USGA championships, including the 1912 U.S. Open.



"We are thrilled to return to the Country Club of Buffalo to conduct these two national championships," said Mark Hill, USGA managing director, Championships. "The USGA is excited to restore our relationship with this historic club and its enthusiastic community on such a terrific golf course. We know the club and its membership will provide an exceptional experience for our players as they compete for these coveted titles."

These will be the fifth and sixth USGA championships held at the Country Club of Buffalo, which last hosted the 1962 U.S. Girls' Junior, captured by Mary Lou Daniel, who defeated Mary Sawyer 2 up in the championship's final. The club also hosted the 1950 Curtis Cup Match (won by the USA Team), the 1931 U.S. Women's Amateur (won by Helen Hicks) and the 1912 U.S. Open (won by John McDermott). The Buffalo area most recently hosted the 1985 U.S. Junior Amateur at Brookfield Country Club in Clarence, won by Charlie Rymer.

"We are honored to work with the USGA to return championship golf to the Buffalo community," said Peter Marlette, club president. "The Country Club of Buffalo has a proud history of hosting amateur golf championships, and we look forward to renewing that tradition while showcasing our outstanding golf course and club. On behalf of the entire membership, I want to thank the USGA for their trust and confidence in us and look forward to a long-standing relationship in the years ahead."

Founded in 1889, the Country Club of Buffalo's first site was on leased farmland in the City of Buffalo near the present location of the Buffalo History Museum. The club vacated this land in 1899 to make way for the Pan American Exposition of 1901. In 1920, the membership again decided to relocate, and purchased acquired a unique piece of landproperty to begin constructionconstruct of a golf course, clubhouse and a polo field with stables.

Noted course architect Donald Ross designed the golf current layout in 1926. Ross displayed his creative genius by weaving six of the 18 holes through the excavations of two limestone quarries, which that had been in operation during the late 1800s. The course design also benefits from trademark Ross green complexes and the flow of a natural hill.

The 2027 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur will be the 78th USGA championship held in New York, and the second of the 2027 season, following the U.S. Amateur at Oak Hill Country Club in Rochester. This year's U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur Championship is being played at Stonewall in Elverson, Pa., on Sept. 9-14.

First played in 1987, the U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur is open to female amateurs ages 25 and older with a Handicap Index® not exceeding 9.4. The championship field features 132 players who compete in two rounds of stroke play, after which the field is cut to the low 64 scorers for match play. The 2022 championship was won by Krissy Carman, 28, of Eugene, Ore.

The U.S. Senior Amateur is open to amateur golfers who have reached age 55 on or before the start of the championship who have a Handicap Index® not exceeding 7.4. The championship features 36 holes of stroke play before the field is cut to the low 64 scorers for match play. Last year, Rusty Strawn, of

McDonough, Ga., earned his first USGA title with a 3-and-2 victory over fellow Peach State resident and past champion Doug Hanzel in the championship match at The Kittansett Club in Marion, Mass. This year's Senior Amateur will take place at Martis Camp Club in Truckee, Calif., from Aug. 26-31.

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 <u>usga.org</u>.

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