



118th Massachusetts Women's Amateur Championship Fact Sheet

August 9-13, 2021, Plymouth Country Club
221 Warren Ave. Plymouth, MA

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COURSE SETUP

Plymouth Country Club will be set up at approximately 5,900 yards and will play to a par of 34-36-70. The yardage for each round of the championship will vary due to course setup and conditions.

PLYMOUTH COUNTRY CLUB HOLE BY HOLE

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Par	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	3	4	34
Yards	345	390	180	390	385	290	320	125	375	2800

Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
Par	3	4	5	4	4	3	5	4	4	36
Yards	155	395	445	330	365	175	490	380	365	3100

ARCHITECT

Alex Findlay designed Plymouth's first 9 holes in 1910 for the Hotel Pilgrim, and in 1921, Donald Ross was brought in to design another 9 holes. In 1929, Ross designed a second 9 holes on the property. Most of the course is built on land granted by Henry Hornblower, the course's benefactor, who was close friends with Ross. The original 9 holes was leased to the public but was lost in bankruptcy during the Great Depression. Plymouth is currently in the midst of a long term restoration process that began in 2008 and has been overseen by Ian Andrew, of Canada.

WHO CAN ENTER

Entries are open to female amateur golfers who have an active Mass Golf/GHIN Handicap Index at any public, private, semi-private, municipal or non-real estate Mass Golf member course/club not exceeding 18.0 (as determined by the July 22, 2021 Handicap Revision), or who have completed their handicap certification.

STARTING TIMES & LIVE SCORING

[CLICK HERE](#) for a current list of the 2021 field and their starting times for Round 1 and Round 2.

SCHEDULE OF PLAY

August 9 & 10 – Stroke Play (18-holes/day)

- The low 32 players will advance to match play, beginning August 11.
- Any ties for the final Match Play qualifying place(s) will be determined by a hole-by-hole playoff, if needed.

August 11 - Round of 32 (a.m.) and Round of 16 (p.m.)

August 12 - Quarterfinals (a.m.) and Semifinals (p.m.)

August 13 – Final Match (18-holes)

2020 CHAMPION

Before beginning her first year at Columbia University, **Allison Paik** stormed through match play at Essex County Club, never needing more than 15 holes to defeat any of her four opponents. In the Final Match, she defeated her future college teammate Anne Walsh, 7&6, the largest margin of victory since 1949. Paik will be back to defend her title this year.

CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

The Massachusetts Women's Amateur Championship is the oldest championship conducted by Mass Golf. The first Massachusetts Women's Amateur, played in 1900 at Oakley Country Club, was conducted for a total of 54 golfers. Grace Keyes, a pioneer for Women's Amateur golf in the Bay State was its first Champion. The championship was held every year except for 1918 and 1943-45 due to WWI and WWII, respectively. Past champions include Margaret Curtis, Harriot Curtis, Anne Marie Tobin and Joanne Goodwin, all of whom have been inducted into the Massachusetts Golf Hall of Fame. Tara Joy Connelly also won it twice and will be inducted into the Hall of Fame this year. This is the first time Plymouth Country Club is hosting a state amateur championship.

CHAMPIONSHIP FIGURES

Size Of Field: 97 Players

Average Age Of Players: 30.49 years

Number Of Players 18 and Under: 34

Youngest Player: Lillian Guleserian (Blue Hill Country Club) [14 years, 6 months]

Oldest Player: Janet Kelly (Woodland Golf Club) [60 years, 7 months]

Most Common Names in the 2021 Field: Jennifer/Jenny (4), Jacqueline/Jacquelyn (3), Anne/Annie/Anna (3).

Number Of Mass Golf Member Clubs/Organizations Represented: 63

Most Represented Mass Golf Member Clubs/Organizations: MIAA (7), Thorny Lea Golf Club (5), Winchester Country Club (5), Blue Hill Country Club (3), Boston Golf Club (3), KOHR Golf (3), Nashawtuc Country Club (3), Presidents Golf Course (3), The Country Club (3), Vesper Country Club (3).

THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

Last to win two consecutive Mass Women's Amateurs: Isabel Southard (2014-2015)

Last to win three consecutive Mass Women's Amateurs: Anne Marie Tobin (1993-1995)

Last to win four consecutive Mass Women's Amateurs: Anne Marie Tobin (1992-1995)

Last winner younger than 20: Alison Paik, 18 years, 3 months, 4 days (2020)

Last winner between ages 20-29: Hannah Ghelfi, 20 years, 8 months, 13 days (2017)

Last winner between ages 30-39: Shannon Johnson, 35 years, 7 months, 15 days (2018)

Last winner over age 40: Pam Kuong, 49 years, 5 months (2010)

MASS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS AT PLYMOUTH COUNTRY CLUB (Event Winners)

1958 Girls' Junior Amateur (Barbara Sanford) (Mary Donahue, Junior/Junior)

1959 Girls' Junior Amateur (Janice Gannon) (Cathy Igoe, Junior/Junior)

1988 Junior Amateur (Steve Bergamesca)

1990 Women's Stroke Play Championship for the Baker Trophy (Marion McInerney)

2005 Women's Senior Amateur (Carol Clarey)

2010 Women's Mid-Amateur Championship for the Keyes Cup (Clair Sheldon)

2010 Senior Amateur (Jack Kearney)

2018 Mid-Amateur Championship (Frank Vana, Jr.)

PAST CHAMPIONS IN 2021 FIELD

1998, 2006: Tracy Welch
2005: Chelsea Curtis
2008, 2010: Pam Kuong
2018: Shannon Johnson
2019: Angela Garvin
2020: Allison Paik

MOST MASS WOMEN'S AMATEURS HOSTED BY A CLUB

15 – Brae Burn Country Club
9 – The Country Club
8 – Charles River Country Club
7 – Weston Golf Club
7 – Winchester Country Club
7 – Belmont Country Club
6 – Salem Country Club
6 – Oakley Country Club
5 – Concord Country Club
5 – Wollaston Golf Club

FUTURE MASS WOMEN'S AMATEUR SITES (Dates TBD)

2022: The Orchards Golf Club, South Hadley
2023: TBD
2024: Taconic Golf Club, Williamstown

MEDIA OPERATIONS

Media members are invited to cover all five days of the Massachusetts Women's Amateur on-site at Plymouth Country Club. Space in the workroom will be made available for all members of the working media who wish to cover the event. We ask that you inform Mass Golf, if your intention is to be on-site for any of the competition days. Parking is limited and will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

There will be video interviews and written recaps posted on the MassGolf.org website and on Mass Golf's social media channels (@PlayMassGolf) at the end of each round. All recaps will be distributed to the media after each day of competition. Other unique content will be posted on Mass Golf's social media channels throughout each round.

PHOTO MEDIA SERVICE

Mass Golf will offer complimentary high-resolution photographs during the Massachusetts Women's Amateur for editorial use only. Please credit David Colt with all photos.

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