



114th Massachusetts Amateur Championship

Fact Sheet

Championship Information

July 11-15, 2022, Concord Country Club
246 Old Road to 9 Acre Corner, Concord, MA
Championship Central: www.massgolf.org/championshipcentral-2022massamateur
Social Media: @playmassgolf | #MassAm

Course Setup

Concord Country Club will be set up at approximately 6,679 yards and will play to a par of 70. The yardage for each round of the championship will vary due to course setup and conditions. Based on the course setup for the championship, the USGA Course Rating™ for Concord Country Club is 73.1 and its Slope Rating® is 134.

Hole by Hole

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Par	5	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	3	35
Yards	479	451	429	451	430	199	383	374	147	3343

Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
Par	4	4	3	4	4	3	4	5	4	35
Yards	405	401	181	352	417	190	441	534	415	3336

Architect

Concord Country Club is one of more than 400 courses that course architect Donald Ross designed throughout his 48-year career. Ross initially designed the original nine holes of Concord Country Club, which debuted to members on July 4, 1914. Those holes are still in use today as holes 1, 8, 9 and 13-18, though some were later lengthened. In 1925, the Club elected to hire Ross again to design the back nine, a project that was completed in 1930.

Who Can Enter

Entries are open to 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 4.4 (at the time of registration), or who have completed their handicap certification.

Starting Times & Live Scoring

[CLICK HERE](#) for a list of the 2022 field.
[CLICK HERE](#) for the starting times for Rounds 1 and 2, and live scoring once the Championship begins.

Schedule of Play

July 11 & 12: Stroke Play (18 holes/day)
- The low 32 players will advance to match play, beginning July 13.
- Any ties for the final Match Play qualifying place(s) will be determined by a hole-by-hole playoff, if needed, on July 12.
July 13: Round of 32 (a.m.) and Round of 16 (p.m.)
July 14: Quarterfinals (a.m.) and Semifinals (p.m.)
July 15: Final Match (36 holes)

Qualifying

Qualifying, played over 18 holes, was conducted at 10 sites in Massachusetts between May 31 and June 22. In total, 102 players automatically advanced to the championship through qualifying, with alternates added at a late date.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the qualifying results.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the alternates list.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the 2022 exemptions.

2021 Champion

Michael Thorbjornsen (Wellesley Country Club) won the 2021 Mass Amateur Championship hosted at Brae Burn Country Club, located just a few miles from his native Wellesley. Thorbjornsen defeated 2017 Champion Matt Parziale in 30 holes during the final round, winning the match 8 and 6. Thorbjornsen, who has already competed in the U.S. Open and Travelers Championship in 2022, is not in the field to defend his title.

What the Winner Receives

The Massachusetts Cup will be presented to the Champion. The Harry B. McCracken, Jr. medal will be awarded to the stroke play medalist(s). Merchandise certificates will be awarded to the 32 match play qualifiers and are only redeemable at the host site(s).

Championship History

This is the 114th Massachusetts Amateur Championship. The Mass Amateur was first played in 1903 at Myopia Hunt Club, where Arthur G. Lockwood emerged victorious. The Championship has been conducted every year since except for two years (1917-1918) during World War I and for four years (1942-1945) during World War II. The youngest winners of the Mass Amateur are Teddy Adams (1939) and James Driscoll (1996), who both won it at age 18. Driscoll also won again in 1998. The oldest winner is Ed Fletcher, who was 53 when he won his lone title.

Noted past winners include **Francis Ouimet, Frederick J. Wright, Jr., Ted Bishop, James Hallet, Kevin Johnson, James Driscoll, Frank Vana, Jr. and Rob Oppenheim. Jesse Guilford**, who was inducted into the Mass Golf Hall of Fame in October 2021, is the only player to win the Mass Amateur (1916, 1921, 1924) and the Mass Open (1919, 1929). Guilford won the U.S. Amateur in 1921. Francis Ouimet also won the Mass Amateur (1913, 1914, 1915, 1919, 1922, 1925) and the U.S. Amateur (1914, 1931), as did Ted Bishop (Mass Amateur, 1940, 1946, 1961); U.S. Amateur (1946).

The 2022 Mass Amateur marks the third time that Concord Country Club has hosted the championship.

Championship Records

Most Wins: 6 (Francis Ouimet – 1913, 1914, 1915, 1919, 1922, 1925) & (Frederick J. Wright, Jr. – 1920, 1926, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1938)

Most Times as a Host Club: 11 (The Country Club, Brae Burn Country Club)

Youngest Players to Win: Ted Adams (1939, Age 18) & James Driscoll (1996, Age 18)

Oldest Players to Win: Ed Fletcher (1995, Age 53)

Largest Age Differential Between Finalists: 39 years (1956 – Fred Wright (58) and Charles Volpone (19).

Longest Final Match: 40 holes in 1993 (Flynt Lincoln def. Jason Kissell at Essex County Club)

Shortest Final Match: 25 holes in 1922 (Francis Ouimet def. Clark Hodder, 12 and 11, at Kernwood Country Club)

Most Appearances in Championship Proper: 35 (Frank Vana, Jr., 1984-85; 1988-2017, 2020)

Most Consecutive Appearances in Match Play: 22 (Frank Vana, Jr., 1991-2012)

Most Appearances in Match Play: 26 (Frank Vana, Jr., 1985, 1988, 1991-2012; 2015; 2017)

The Last Time It Happened

Last to defend title: Mike Calef, 2013

Last to win three consecutive Mass Amateurs: Frederick J. Wright, Jr., 1929-1931

Last to win four consecutive Mass Amateurs: Frederick J. Wright, Jr., 1928-1931

Last winner younger than 20: Michael Thorbjornsen (2021), 19 years, 10 months

Last winner between ages 20-29: Matthew Organisak (2020), 22 years, 5 months, 22 days

Last winner between ages 30-39: Matt Parziale (2017), 30 years, 1 month, 9 days

Last winner over age 40: John Hedges (2010), 49 years, 11 months, 12 days

Mass Golf Championships at Concord CC (Event Winners)

1953 Women's Mid-Amateur Championship (Pippy Rooney)

1958 Mixed Four-Ball Championship (M. Gleason and H.S. Thompson)

1960 Women's Amateur Championship (Gene McAuliffe)

1962 Mixed Four-Ball Championship (Pippy Rooney and Leo Grace)

1966 Mixed Four-Ball Championship (Kirby Davidson and John Koslowski)

1968 Mixed Four-Ball Championship (H.P. Hood and William Hood)

1969 Junior Amateur Championship (Arthur E. Burke III)

1969 Mixed Four-Ball Championship (Paula Brophy and Philip Grady)

1970 Mixed Four-Ball Championship (Paula Brophy and John Brophy)

1978 Women's Amateur Championship (Jeanne-Marie Boylan)

1981 Four-Ball Championship (Walter Sharis and Warren Nelson)

1982 Mixed Four-Ball Championship (Robyn St. Clair and Scott St. Clair)

1990 Mixed Four-Ball Championship (Robyn St. Clair and Scott St. Clair)

1995 Amateur Championship (Ed Fletcher)

1997 Women's Amateur Championship (Karen Richardson)

1998 Mid-Amateur Championship (Steven Tasho)

2004 Women's Amateur Championship (Briana Vega)

2007 Amateur Championship (Burgess Houston)

2014 Women's Amateur Championship (Isabel Southard)

2018 Ouimet Memorial Tournament (Jackson Lang, Jacquelyn Eleey)

Other Notable Championships & Events

1955 Allen Bowl *Four-Ball* Tournament (Mrs. Charles B. Wilson and Mrs. Sam J. Furnari)

1963 Mother Son *Modified Scotch* Tournament (Mrs. Foehl and John)

1964 Mother Son *Modified Scotch* Tournament (Mrs. Foehl and John)

1983 Father Daughter *Modified Scotch* Tournament (Al Auger and Robin Auger)

1987 Junior Inter-City Team Matches (Massachusetts)

2022 New England PGA Championship (Chip Johnson)

2003 Father Daughter *Modified Scotch* Tournament (David Friel and Liz Friel)

2011 New England PGA Pro-Am Championship (Scott Hickey and Dan Falcucci)

2015 New England PGA Championship (Rich Berberian, Jr.)

2017 Junior Inter-City Team Matches (New York)

2020 New England Amateur Championship (John Broderick)

Past Champions in the Field

Brendan Hester (2001), **Bill Drohen** (2009), **John Hedges** (2008 and 2010), **John Kelly** (2014), **Nick McLaughlin** (2015), **Matt Parziale** (2017), **Patrick Frodigh** (2018)

Most Mass Amateurs Hosted by a Club

(11) The Country Club, Brookline

(11) Brae Burn Country Club, West Newton

(7) Winchester Country Club, Winchester

(7) Worcester Country Club, Worcester

(7) Essex County Club, Manchester-by-the-Sea

(6) Charles River Country Club, Newton

(6) Vesper Country Club, Tyngsborough

(6) The Kittansett Club, Marion

(5) Salem Country Club, Peabody

(5) Longmeadow Country Club, Longmeadow

(5) Myopia Hunt Club, Hamilton

(5) Taconic Golf Club, Williamstown

Future Sites

2023: Essex County Club, Manchester-by-the-Sea

2024: Framingham Country Club, Framingham

2025: GreatHorse, Hampden

Media Operations

Media members are invited to cover all five days of the Massachusetts Amateur on site at Concord 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-served 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

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