

THE NEW SENIOR AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

THE SCHEDULE OF sectional qualifying rounds for the first USGA Senior Amateur Championship has been established, as well as all other conditions of an event which promises to be one of the most interesting and popular on our list.

Senior golfers who will have reached their 55th birthday by September 8, the day on which most of the sectional qualifying rounds will be played, and who have handicaps not exceeding ten strokes computed under the USGA Golf Handicap System for Men, will be eligible.

Residents of the United States must be members of USGA Regular Member Clubs, as is true of the Amateur and Women's Amateur Championships.

Former USGA Amateur Champions who meet the entry requirements will be eligible for exemption from sectional qualifying rounds.

Entries must be received at the USGA office in New York no later than 5 P.M. on Friday, August 26. The entry fee is \$10. Entry forms may be obtained from the USGA office, USGA Member Clubs, senior and sectional golf associations or members of the USGA Senior Championship Committee.

The Championship will be played at the Belle Meade Country Club, Nashville, Tenn., from September 26 through October 1.

One hundred twenty players will be eligible, including sectional qualifiers and those exempt from sectional rounds, and they will compete in another 18-hole qualifying round at the Belle Meade Country Club on Monday, September 26.

The 32 lowest scorers will qualify for match play, and this will proceed at the rate of one 18-hole round a day through the final on Saturday, October 1. Each round will start at 10 A.M.

There will be a 36-hole stroke play competition for non-qualifiers on Tuesday and Wednesday of the Championship week and a match play flight for first-round losers from Wednesday through Saturday.

The USGA will entertain all qualifiers at dinner in the clubhouse on the Saturday evening before the Championship.

The schedule of sectional rounds follows:

CAL.	Los Angeles	Virginia C.C.
	San Francisco	Menlo C.C.
COLO.	Denver	Lakewood C.C.
D.C.	Washington	Burning Tree C.
FLA.	Jacksonville	Timuquana C.C.
GA.	Atlanta	Peachtree G.C.
ILL.	Chicago	Bob O'Link G.C.
LA.	New Orleans	New Orleans C.C.
MASS.	Boston	The Country Club
MICH.	Detroit	C.C. of Detroit
MINN.	Minneapolis	Minikahda C.
MO.	Kansas City	Indian Hills C.C.
	St. Louis	Sunset C.C.
N.J.—N.Y.	Metropolitan	Ridgewood C.C.
N.Y.	Niagara Falls	Niagara Falls C.C.
N.C.	Charlotte	Charlotte C.C.
OHIO	Cincinnati	The Camargo C.
	Cleveland	Lakewood C.C.
OKLA.	Tulsa	Southern Hills C.C.
PA.	Philadelphia	Gulph Mills C.C.
	Pittsburgh	Oakmont C.C.
TENN.	Memphis	Memphis C.C.
TEXAS	Dallas	Dallas C.C.
WASH.	Seattle	Seattle G.C.

USGA COMPETITIONS FOR 1956

International Matches

CURTIS CUP—June 8 and 9 at Prince's Golf Club, Sandwich, England.
Women's amateur teams: British Isles vs. United States.

AMERICAS CUP—in Mexico, dates and place to be fixed.
Men's amateur teams: Canada vs. Mexico vs. United States.

Championships

<u>Championship</u>	<u>Entries Close</u>	<u>Sectional Qualifying Rounds</u>	<u>Championship Dates</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Open	May 18	June 4	June 14-15-16	Oak Hill C. C., Rochester, N. Y.
Amateur Public Links	*June 1	†June 17-23	Team: July 7 Indiv: July 9-14	Harding Park G. C., San Francisco, Cal.
Women's Open	July 13	None	July 26-27-28	Northland C. C., Duluth, Minn.
Junior Amateur	July 6	July 24	Aug. 8-11	Taconic G. C., Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.
Senior Amateur	July 20	Aug. 7	Aug. 20-25	Somerset C. C., St. Paul, Minn.
Amateur	Aug. 10	Aug. 28	Sept. 10-15	Knollwood C. Lake Forest, Ill.
Girls' Junior	Aug. 24	None	Sept. 10-14	Heather Downs C. C., Toledo, Ohio
Women's Amateur	Aug. 31	None	Sept. 17-22	Meridian Hills C. C., Indianapolis, Ind.

* Entries close with Sectional Qualifying Chairmen.

† Exact date in each Section to be fixed by Sectional Chairmen.

(Dates entries close mean last dates for applications to reach USGA office, except in the case of the Amateur Public Links Championship.)

Intercity Competition

An annual series of public links team matches between Chicago and Milwaukee, inaugurated this year, is providing an interesting type of intercity rivalry. The event is under the sponsorship of William B. Langford, of Chicago, and Raymond O. Fischer, of Greendale, Wis., members of the USGA Public Links Committee.

The teams consist of ten players each, competition involving ten singles matches and five four-ball matches. The Chicago team was chosen by a poll of players who have been active in public links golf in the Chicago area for the last five years. The Milwaukee team was selected on the basis of public links handicap records.

In the initial match of the year, played at the Sportsman's Country Club, a daily fee course at Northbrook, Ill., the Chicago team won the singles, 17 to 13, and captured the four-ball 9½ to 5½. Through the generosity of Richard Chamberlain, owner of the Sportsman's Country Club,

all green fees of contestants in the intercity contest were applied to the expenses of Chicago district golfers who qualified for the USGA Amateur Public Links Championship at Indianapolis last month.

The return match will be played at the Whitnall Park, Milwaukee County, Golf Course on September 18.

DO YOU KNOW YOUR GOLF?

(Answers to questions on page 16)

1. (b) Yes. Loss of hole (Rule 9-1 and Definition 2).
2. (b) Three. Penalty stroke for lost ball, plus strokes made with original and provisional balls. (Rules 30-2 and 29-1).
3. (a) A rub of the green (Rule 26-3b and Definition 27).
4. (b) One (Rule 13-1).
5. (b) Yes. Player loses hole. (Rule 21-2).
6. (b) Yes. (Rule 35-2c).
7. (b) No (Rule 22-2).