

TEAMS OF 33 COUNTRIES IN WORLD GOLF AT MERION

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All golfing roads have a way of converging periodically on the East Course of the Merion Golf Club at Ardmore, Pa., just outside Philadelphia. Ten times USGA championships and international matches have been played at Merion's courses, starting in the days when golf was part of the Merion Cricket Club.

The highways of golf come together again at Merion next month, but this time with a distinctive difference. This time they're mostly airways, flung far over the world. This time the occasion is the second Amateur Team Championship of the World Amateur Golf Council, with the Eisenhower Trophy at stake.

The World Amateur Golf Council was organized in Washington in May, 1958. In October of that year it held its first World Team Championship at the most appropriate of places—the Old Course at St. Andrews, Scotland. Twenty-nine countries sent teams, and it was perhaps as auspicious a launching as any international sporting project has had. Australia's four players tied with the United States after four rounds of stroke play; in an 18-hole play-off Australia won.

Now, for the second holding of the Eisenhower Trophy event, thirty-three countries have entered. The Championship is to be played from Wednesday, September 28 through Saturday, October 1.

The form of play in the Championship is unique. Each team is composed of three or four players; almost all countries will send four. All play all four rounds of stroke play. A team's three lowest scores each day constitute the team's total. The country with the lowest four-day aggregate is the winner.

A Great Golfing Ground

A great golfing event such as this merits a great golfing ground. Merion's East Course meets that qualification fully. During his play-off victory in the 1950 Open there Ben Hogan confessed, "I

have never known a course to keep me so constantly on the defensive." Hogan had tied at 287 with Lloyd Mangrum and George Fazio, and he had 69 in the play-off. Yet in that same tournament the lowest single round ever holed in the Open was a 64 by Lee Mackey, Jr., six under par.

Merion evokes wonderful golfing memories. Bob Jones, as a boy of 14, played in his first national championship there, the Amateur of 1916, which Chick Evans won. Bob Jones won the last trick of his Grand Slam there in 1930, the Amateur.

For a country as young in golf as the United States, we have unusual richness of tradition, and this is due mainly to Merion and other clubs of its sort.

Our visitors next month should have fine fun golfwise and otherwise. Merion's committees, under General Chairman Dean Hill, Jr., have hospitality as their watchword. For example, they have arranged private housing for all visiting players who desire it. They have created a fund, composed of contributions by several large American business companies and by USGA member clubs, and with it they will provide caddie fees, local transportation and lunches for all the 132 contestants. Caddie fees alone will cost about \$8,500 for the eight days involving practice and the tournament.

A flag-raising ceremony is scheduled for 5 P. M. on September 24, the first day of practice, followed by a cocktail party at Merion. The USGA will entertain at dinner in honor of players and officials on September 26 at the Philadelphia Country Club. The Delegates and Duffers Cup 36-hole competition will be held September 24 and 26 at the Gulph Mills Golf Club, for delegates to the World Council's biennial meeting, non-playing captains, USGA officials and guests. Visiting officials and their wives will be guests of Charles Grace and Philip Strubing for cocktails at Gulph

GOLF OFFICIALS AROUND THE WORLD



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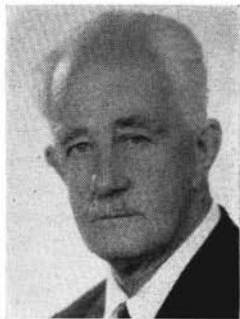
T. C. Harvey



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Francesco Ruspoli

Mills on September 28. Finally, on October 3 the Pine Valley Golf Club will make its world - renowned course available for all players and captains for an informal round.

Heffelfinger

U. S. Captain

Members of the United States team will be selected immediately after

our National Amateur Championship at the St. Louis Country Club next month. Totten P. Heffelfinger, of Minneapolis, is the non-playing Captain. He is a former President of the USGA.

The World Amateur Golf Council consists of 41 national amateur golf governing bodies. All subscribe to the worldwide Rules of Golf promulgated by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St.

(Picture of committeeman Douglas O. Whyte unavailable.)

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The Team Championship is held every other year and is rotated among three geographical zones, in the following order:

1. European-African Zone—Countries of Europe, Africa and the Middle East.

2. American Zone—Countries of North America, Caribbean America and South America.

3. Australasian Zone—Countries of Asia, Australia, New Zealand and Oceania.

The motto of the World Amateur Golf Council is "Friendship-Sportsmanship." That is reason enough for the golfing roads of the world to converge at Merion next month.

Teams in 1960 Championship

Following are the 33 countries which have entered teams for the 1960 Championship:

Argentina
Australia
Austria
Belgium
Bermuda
Brazil
Canada
Ceylon
China, Republic of
Denmark
Finland
France
Germany
Great Britain and Ireland
India
Italy
Japan

Malaya
Mexico
Netherlands
New Zealand
Norway
Peru
Philippines
Portugal
Rhodesia and Nyasaland, Federation of
South Africa
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland
United Arab Republic-
Egyptian Region
United States
Venezuela

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DO YOU KNOW YOUR GOLF?

Here is a golf competition in which there is no waiting on the first tee, you play as you sit, use a pencil instead of clubs, and a round can be played indoors at night.

But you need to know something about the Rules of Golf, etiquette, definitions, history and records of the game.

The answers for the questions are given on Page 20.

1. Is it permissible to attempt to play a ball lodged in a tree?
2. Who was the oldest winner of the Amateur Championship?
3. Name the four courses where Robert T. Jones, Jr., scored his Grand Slam in 1930?
4. What happens if the ball falls out of the tree while the player is trying to climb up to it?
5. What is the penalty if the player shakes the ball out of the tree?
6. Who and from what country was the most recent foreign winner of the Amateur Championship?
7. Name the player who won both the Open and Amateur Championships in recent years.
8. Name two-time winners of the Amateur Championship?
9. Is a caddie permitted to hold an umbrella over a player while the player is putting?
10. May a player have two caddies if he wishes?
11. Have two players from the same city ever faced each other in the finals of the Amateur Championship?
12. Have two players from the same club ever faced each other in the finals of the Women's Amateur Championship?
13. A player adds weight to his putter during a round by taping a coin to the back of it. Is this permissible under the Rules?
14. When dropping a ball may a player put spin on it?
15. What is the penalty in match and in stroke play for playing out of turn?
16. Who was the first to complete "The Double" in Women's golf—winning both the United States and British Women's Championships?
17. Which national championship annually draws the largest number of entrants?
18. What is the oldest international team competition in golf?