



## 2026 Senior PGA Championship - Fact Sheet

April 16-19, 2026

The Concession Golf Club, Bradenton, Florida

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### The Senior PGA Championship - Senior Golf's Storied Major

- The Senior PGA Championship, the most historic and prestigious major championship in senior golf, will celebrate its 86th edition in 2026.
- The Championship was born in 1937 on the grounds of another of golf's majors, at the invitation of one of the game's greatest players. At the suggestion of renowned amateur Bobby Jones, the inaugural Senior PGA Championship was played at Augusta National Golf Club three years after the first Masters Tournament was held there.
- The Championship was established to provide the opportunity for PGA of America Members ages 50 and over to compete with their peers, and brings together the legends of the game and the newest members of senior professional golf for 72 holes of stroke play.
- It was during the Senior PGA Championship in December 1979, at Turnberry Isle in North Miami, Florida, that informal meetings first were held among golf's elder statesmen to explore the concept of a senior circuit.
- As many of golf's leading names passed age 50, they found they were no longer as competitive on the PGA TOUR as they once had been, but outside of the Senior PGA Championship, playing opportunities were limited. The following month, January 1980, the Senior PGA Tour (now PGA TOUR Champions) was founded.
- Golf's greatest legends are among the past champions, including Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer, Gary Player, Raymond Floyd, Hale Irwin, Bernhard Langer, Gene Sarazen, Sam Snead, Lee Trevino and Tom Watson.

### Broadcast Schedule (All Times EDT)

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| • First Round, Thursday, April 16 | GOLF Channel | 10:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m. |
| • Second Round, Friday, April 17  | GOLF Channel | 10:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m. |
| • Third Round, Saturday, April 18 | GOLF Channel | 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. |
| • Fourth Round, Sunday, April 19  | GOLF Channel | 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. |

### About The Concession Golf Club

- The Concession Golf Club pays tribute to Jack Nicklaus' extraordinary display of sportsmanship to English golfer Tony Jacklin during the 1969 Ryder Cup at Royal Birkdale. Nicklaus conceded a 2-foot putt to Jacklin to halve their match, which resulted in the first-ever tie in the history of the Ryder Cup.
- The Concession Golf Club, which opened in 2006, is a Jack Nicklaus Signature Golf Course designed in association with Tony Jacklin.
- The Concession was named Golf Digest's "Best New Private Course in America" following its 2006 debut, and is consistently ranked as a top-10 Florida course.



- The PGA of America announced in May 2025 that The Concession would host the Senior PGA Championship for three consecutive years from 2026-2028.
- The Concession has been the setting for prestigious golf tournaments like the 2023 World Champions Cup, the 2021 PGA TOUR Workday World Golf Championships, the 2015 Men's and Women's NCAA Division I championships and the biennial Concession Cup.
- The PGA Head Golf Professional is Jeremy Decaminada, PGA (Florida Gulf Coast University PGA Golf Management graduate)

#### The Concession Golf Club - Official Yardages

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Par	4	4	5	3	4	3	5	4	4
Yards	428	414	582	203	426	183	547	379	386

Out 3,548 Par 36

Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Par	4	3	4	5	3	4	4	5	4
Yards	370	173	349	503	155	424	403	545	466

In 3,388 Par 36 Total 6,936 Par 72

#### 2025 Champion: Ángel Cabrera

- Ángel Cabrera captured his first Senior PGA Championship on Congressional Country Club's Blue Course in Bethesda, Maryland, when he shot 8-under 280 (72-69-70-69) to win by one.
- The 55-year-old from Argentina became the fifth player since 1990 to win the first two senior majors of the year, the Regions Tradition and the Senior PGA Championship, and the first to do it in consecutive weeks.
- Thomas Bjørn and Pádraig Harrington finished T-2 at 7-under 281. Both golfers posted final round scores of 4-under 68, with Harrington leading for most of the final day before a double bogey on the 15th hole and a bogey on 18.

#### Senior PGA Championship Records

##### Lowest 72-Hole Score

- 265 - Rocco Mediate (62-66-71-66) in 2016
- 265 - Paul Broadhurst (72-66-64-63) in 2018
- 267 - Richard Bland (64-66-74-73) in 2024
- 268 - Sam Snead (66-66-67-69) in 1973
- 268 - Colin Montgomerie (67-66-68-67) in 2016
- 268 - Steven Alker (64-72-69-63) in 2022

##### Lowest 18-Hole Score

- 62 - Kenny Perry, Final Round, 2012
- 62 - Rocco Mediate, First Round, 2016



### **Lowest First-Round Score**

62 - Rocco Mediate, 2016

### **Lowest Second-Round Score**

63 - Arnold Palmer, Jan. '84

### **Lowest Third-Round Score**

64 - Chandler Harper, 1968

64 - Roger Chapman, 2012

64 - Marco Dawson, 2014

64 - Paul Broadhurst, 2018

64 - Steve Stricker, 2023

### **Lowest Final-Round Score**

62 - Kenny Perry, 2012

### **Largest Winning Margin**

15 shots - Sam Snead, 1973

12 shots - Hale Irwin, 1997

9 shots - Sam Snead, 1967

### **Players To Win The Senior PGA Championship Multiple Times**

Sam Snead 6 (1964, '65, '67, '70, '72 '73)

Hale Irwin 4 (1996, '97, '98, 2004)

Gary Player 3 (1986, '88, '90)

Al Watrous 3 (1950, '51, '57)

Eddie Williams 3 (1942, '45, '46)

Julius Boros 2 (1971, '77)

Jay Haas 2 (2006, '08)

Jock Hutchison 2 (1937, '47)

Don January 2 (1979, '82)

Colin Montgomerie 2 (2014, '15)

Arnold Palmer 2 (1980, '84)

Paul Runyan 2 (1961, '62)

Gene Sarazen 2 (1954, '58)

Lee Trevino 2 (1992, '94)

Tom Watson 2 (2001, '11)

### **The Alfred S. Bourne Trophy**

- The Alfred S. Bourne Trophy, one of the largest trophies in golf, is a hefty 36 pounds and measures 18 inches wide and stands 42 inches tall.
- In 1937, Alfred S. Bourne, one of the original members of Augusta National Golf Club and a longtime friend of the PGA of America, donated \$1,500 for the creation of the Trophy. Bourne,



then Augusta National's Vice President, was given the idea of a championship cup by St. Andrews-born professional Jack Jolly.

- Bourne was a noted philanthropist and friend of the legendary Bobby Jones, who invited Bourne to be a founding member of Augusta National.

### Field & Format

- The total field will be a maximum of 156 players.
- Seventy-two (72) holes of stroke play, four rounds of 18 holes will take place April 16-19.
- Following the first 36 holes of play, the 156-player field will be reduced to the low 70 scorers and ties.
- In the event of a tie for first place after 72 holes, there will be a hole-by-hole playoff starting on Hole No. 18; and if needed on to Holes No. 10 and No. 18 repeated until a winner is determined.

### Purse

- The 2025 Senior PGA Championship purse totaled \$3 million with the Champion receiving \$540,000. The 2026 purse will be announced during Championship week.

### PGA of America Golf Professionals in the Senior PGA Championship - Corebridge Financial Team

- The Corebridge Financial Team consists of PGA of America Golf Professionals who earn their place in the Senior PGA Championship by finishing in the top-35 at the annual Senior PGA Professional Championship.
- The top 35 finishers in the 2025 Senior PGA Professional Championship, which took place in October at PGA Golf Club in Port St. Lucie, Florida, earned a spot to compete in the 2026 Senior PGA Championship.
- Senior PGA Professional Champion Justin Hicks (Wellington, Fla.) [headlines](#) the 35 who will play at The Concession.
- The member of the Corebridge Financial Team with the lowest 72-hole score earns "Low PGA of America Golf Professional" honors.
- Bob Sowards, the PGA Director of Instruction at Kinsale Golf and Fitness Club in Dublin, Ohio, claimed Low PGA of America Golf Professional honors in 2025 at Congressional Country Club out of eight Corebridge Financial Team Members who made the cut.

### Future Host Sites (# Senior PGA Championship hosted)

- 2027: The Concession Golf Club, Bradenton, Florida (2nd)
- 2028: The Concession Golf Club, Bradenton, Florida (3rd)
- 2029: Fields Ranch at PGA Frisco (East Course), Frisco, Texas (2nd)
- 2033: Congressional Country Club (Blue Course), Bethesda, Maryland (2nd)

### About the PGA of America

- The PGA of America is a membership organization of more than 30,000 PGA of America Golf Professionals who work daily to drive interest and participation in the game.
- The PGA of America also helps its members by providing additional educational opportunities through our lifelong learning programs.



- PGA of America Golf Professionals are the leaders in the business of golf and can be found working at numerous facilities and companies across the world in a variety of career paths including Golf Operations, Executive Management and Teaching & Coaching.
- In addition, the PGA of America owns and operates the Ryder Cup, PGA Championship, KPMG Women's PGA Championship and Senior PGA Championship as well as numerous member and amateur championships.
- The PGA of America is the national governing body that drives support to 41 local PGA of America Section Offices who help golf professionals and golf consumers in your local market. Programs that the PGA of America helps to oversee for consumers include PGA Jr. League, PGA Family Golf, and more.
- The PGA of America REACH Foundation is the 501(c)(3) charitable foundation of the PGA of America. The mission of the Foundation is to positively impact the lives of youth, military and diverse populations by enabling access to PGA of America Golf Professionals, PGA Sections and the game of golf.

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