



40<sup>th</sup> Middle-Amateur Championship  
May 22-23  
Old York Road Country Club  
Ambler, Pa.



## The course

Par: 36-35=71

Yardage: 6,632

Course Architect: William and David Gordon (1963)

Opened: 1910, moved to current location in 1963

Address: 801 Tennis Avenue, Ambler, PA 19002

Phone: 215-643-0180

Website: <https://www.oyrcc.com/>



## The skinny

- Open to male GAP Member Club golfers who are 25 years of age or older with a Handicap Index of 5.0 or lower.
- The field of 144 players will consist of the exempt players entered and those who qualified at Middle-Amateur Championship Qualifying conducted at Five Ponds Golf Club (April 15), Scotland Run Golf Club (April 17), Coatesville Country Club (May 2), and Irem Country Club (May 4).
- 36-hole individual stroke play, two-day event. The low 70 scores and ties will advance to Day Two.
- Automotive transportation is permitted in this event. Players may take a cart, carry their own bag, take a club caddie, or bring their own caddie. Pull carts are permitted.

## The social network



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# The previous rendition



The wait is finally over for Troy Vannucci.

A GAP circuit regular the last decade, Vannucci secured his first Major title Wednesday with a come-from-behind playoff victory in the 39th Middle-Amateur Championship at Jericho National Golf Club (par 72, 6,817 yards). Vannucci, 30, of Little Mill Country Club, defeated Sean Flanigan, 41, of Philadelphia Publinks Golf Association, the first-round leader, in a four-hole aggregate playoff, 14 strokes to 16.

“It’s incredible. It’s hard to win [out here]. They say it’s hard to win, and you better believe it is,” said Vannucci, of Marlton, N.J. “I’ve been knocking for a long time. You fail, go play the next one. Who cares. Keep playing. Keep swinging. It’s eventually going to work out.”

Once the extra holes (Nos. 10-11-12-18) started Wednesday, victory seemed destiny for Vannucci.

Flanigan’s second shot on the first playoff hole, No. 10 (par 4, 439 yards), found the left pond.

Vannucci went fairway-and-green, a common theme for him over the two rounds, for a 4 while Flanigan made 6. Vannucci made only three bogeys in the 36 holes, all coming in the final round. Two of those were the result of a three putt.

The two competitors exchanged pars on Nos. 11 (par 4, 382 yards) and 12 (par 3, 105 yards), giving Vannucci an 11-to-13-stroke advantage with only No. 18 (par 4, 431 yards) to play. Both found the fairway on the final hole. Flanigan lifted a 54-degree wedge from 101 yards to 15 feet. Vannucci hit his 60-degree wedge from 104 yards to 25 feet. Vannucci, putting uphill, tried to “lag” his first putt. It turned out to be his last putt, as the ball tumbled into the cup.

“About time,” Vannucci, said as clubmate Dan Keenan walked up to celebrate with the champion. “It’s surreal. My phone’s going off in my pocket right now. It hasn’t stopped vibrating [since I won]. The guys are so good. I’m glad to be on top.”



<b>Name, club</b>	<b>R1-R2-Total</b>
Troy Vannucci, Little Mill Country Club	70-71–141
Sean Flanigan, Philadelphia Publinks Golf Association	68-73–141
Christopher Ault, Yardley Country Club	72-71–143
Brian Gillespie, St. Davids Golf Club	73-70–143
Michael R. Brown, Jr., LuLu Country Club	75-69–144
Brandon Dalinka, The Ridge at Back Brook	70-74–144
Matthew Mattare, Saucon Valley Country Club	72-72–144
John Barone, Glenmaura National Golf Club	70-75–145
Ross Pilliod, LedgeRock Golf Club	77-68–145
Joseph Tigani, Fieldstone Golf Club	77-69–146
Josh Anderson, LedgeRock Golf Club	76-71–147
Cole Willcox, Merion Golf Club	69-78–147
Chris Baloga, Briarwood Golf Club	77-71–148
Peter Barron, III, Galloway National Golf Club	74-74–148
Michael Carr, Philadelphia Cricket Club	72-76–148
Michael Davis, Merion Golf Club	75-73–148
Alexander Kim, Philadelphia Cricket Club	75-73–148
Jeff Osberg, Pine Valley Golf Club	76-72–148
Andy Butler, Huntingdon Valley Country Club	73-76–149
James Egan, Glen Oak Country Club	74-75–149
Benjamin Feld, Green Valley Country Club	72-77–149
Jeff Frazier, Carlisle Country Club	73-76–149
Colin Sanderson, Makefield Highlands Golf Club	77-72–149
Jared Tendler, Jericho National Golf Club	72-77–149
Jack Wallace, Riverton Country Club	73-76–149
Jason Wilson, Olde Homestead Golf Club	74-75–149
Nelson Hargrove, Merion Golf Club	74-76–150
Dan Keenan, Little Mill Country Club	72-78–150
Mark Miller, Philadelphia Cricket Club	75-75–150
Matt Teesdale, The 1912 Club	77-73–150
Matthew Toto, Laurel Creek Country Club	76-74–150
Conrad Von Borsig, Philadelphia Cricket Club	72-78–150
Matt Dolinsky, Honeybrook Golf Club	75-76–151
A.J. Donatoni, Fox Hill Country Club	74-77–151
Alex Hosier, Briarwood Golf Club	75-76–151
David Mecca, Glen Oak Country Club	75-76–151
Kyle Pritchard, Olde Homestead Golf Club	75-76–151
Adam Armagost, Little Mill Country Club	76-76–152
Ryan Cass, Hidden Creek Golf Club	78-74–152
Ben Keyser, Legacy Club at Woodcrest	73-79–152

Patrick Knott, Merion Golf Club	71-81–152
Jeffrey Victor, Jeffersonville Golf Club	78-74–152
Zach Dilcher, Hartefeld National	78-75–153
John Dimler, Northampton Country Club	77-76–153
Sean Seese, Huntingdon Valley Country Club	76-77–153
Jim Sullivan, LuLu Country Club	73-80–153
John Brennan, Philadelphia Cricket Club	75-79–154
David Herbst, Hershey Country Club	75-79–154
Andrew Keeling, Kennett Square Golf & Country Club	77-77–154
Tony Peressini, Lookaway Golf Club	76-78–154
Sean Semenetz, Philadelphia Cricket Club	75-79–154
Matthew Bastian, Rolling Green Golf Club	76-79–155
Russell Hartung, LuLu Country Club	72-83–155
John Lalley, Llanerch Country Club	73-82–155
Mike Moffat, LuLu Country Club	77-78–155
Stewart Rickenbach, Huntingdon Valley Country Club	77-78–155
Michael Tash, Stone Harbor Golf Club	76-79–155
Jason Troutman, Frosty Valley	78-77–155
Neil Gordon, Doylestown Country Club	77-79–156
Sean McMonagle, Tavistock Country Club	77-79–156
Corey Betham, St. Davids Golf Club	78-79–157
Bryan Ott, Schuylkill Country Club	76-81–157
Ryan Rigby, Doylestown Country Club	75-82–157
Jason Weaver, Saucon Valley Country Club	78-79–157
Beau Guarino, Riverton Country Club	78-80–158
Bart Tizio, Olde Homestead Golf Club	77-81–158
Kevin Kornuszko, Spring Mill Country Club	78-81–159
Brandon Murdock, Llanerch Country Club	78-81–159
Michael Zupi, LuLu Country Club	78-82–160
Scott Forrester, LuLu Country Club	76-85–161
Glenn Smeraglio, LuLu Country Club	77-84–161
Sean Leonard, Tavistock Country Club	78-WD–WD
Jamie Slonis, Tavistock Country Club	78-WD–WD

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# The former champions

2022: \*Troy Vannucci, Little Mill CC — 70-71-141, Jericho National  
2021: Scott McNeil, Philadelphia Publinks GA — 70-69-139, Lookaway  
2020: Jeff Osberg, Pine Valley — 71-68-139, LedgeRock  
2019: \*Will Davenport, Whitmarsh Valley — 67-73-140, Rolling Green  
2018: Michael Hyland, Little Mill, — 70-73-143, Llanerch  
2017: Ben Feld, Huntington Valley, — 69-67-136, Overbrook  
2016: \*Matt Mattare, Saucon Valley — 71-72-143, Waynesborough  
2015: Scott McNeil, Bala — 68-75-143, St. Davids  
2014: Peter Barron, III, Stone Harbor — 69-68-137, Gulph Mills  
2013: \*Michael McDermott, Merion — 71-71-142, Fieldstone  
2012: John Brennan, Philadelphia Cricket — 67-74-141, Chester Valley  
2011: Glenn Smeraglio, Mercer Oaks — 71-69-140, Laurel Creek  
2010: Thomas Gramigna, Tavistock — 70-67-137, Philadelphia Cricket Club (Militia Hill)  
2009: \*Michael R. Brown, Philadelphia Publinks GA — 71-73-144, Tavistock  
2008: Michael McDermott, Merion — 69-75-144, Fieldstone  
2007: Chip Lutz, LedgeRock — 70-70-140, Stonewall (North)  
2006: Chris Lange, Overbrook — 71-77-148, Commonwealth National  
2005: Chris Lange, Overbrook — 71-74-145, Spring Mill  
2004: Michael McDermott, Llanerch — 69-70-139, Gulph Mills  
2003: Robert Savarese, Jr., Philadelphia Cricket Club — 69-71-140, Philadelphia Cricket Club (Wissahickon)  
2002: Oscar Mestre, Jr., Overbrook — 72-69-141, Chester Valley  
2001: Michael McDermott, Llanerch — 76-72-148, Coatesville  
2000: Darrell Clayton, Cavaliers — 72, Jericho National  
1999: Neil Gordon, Philmont — 71, Indian Valley  
1998: Chip Lutz, Berkshire — 68, Talamore at Oak Terrace  
1997: Frank McFadden, Overbrook — 70, Overbrook  
1996: Richard Umani, Sakima — 69, Spring Ford  
1995: Michael Rose, Philmont — 68, Bent Creek  
1994: Michael Tash, Atlantic City — 70, Meadowlands  
1993: \*Carl Everett, Merion — 75, Philmont (North)  
1992: \*John Elder, Jr., Little Mill — 77, Doylestown  
1991: Mark Douglas, Spring Ford — 70, Spring Ford  
1990: Chris Terebesi, Chester Valley — 72, Philadelphia Cricket Club  
1989: Thomas F. Dillon, Jr., Yardley — 74, Chester Valley  
1988: David Brookreson, Huntingdon Valley — 71, Sunnybrook  
1987: Robert Levy, Philmont — 70, Old York Road  
1986: David Brookreson, Huntingdon Valley — 70, Indian Valley  
1985: Gary E. Daniels, Chester Valley — 70, Torresdale-Frankford  
1984: Gene Maginnis, Jr., Whitmarsh Valley — 72, Whitmarsh Valley

\* — won in playoff

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The GAP (Golf Association of Philadelphia) Middle-Amateur Championship started in 1984, three years after the USGA created the U.S. Mid-Amateur as a formal championship for post-college amateurs. GAP followed suit with the USGA in creating a Mid.-Am., but initially differed in its administration of the tournament in a couple of respects.

The most obvious difference was the age requirement. Prior to 2001, the GAP Middle-Amateur Championship was for players 30 years of age and older. The organization's Executive Committee reviewed and revised that age requirement in 2001 to match the USGA's guidelines of 25 years of age or older for eligible players.

Also at that point, the Committee changed the format of the event to a two-day stroke play tournament (instead of a one-day medal play event) with a cut to the low 70 players and ties after the first round. The field begins with 144 players. Players must have a GAP/USGA Handicap Index of 5.0 or lower.

The Middle-Amateur Championship is the first Major of the GAP tournament season. It is a William Hyndman, III Player of the Year points event. To be included in the Middle-Amateur field, players must either earn an exemption or advance through qualifying events held prior to the Championship proper.

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