



**123rd BMW Philadelphia
Amateur Championship
June 12-14 & 17
Huntingdon Valley Country Club
Huntingdon Valley, Pa.**



The course

Par: 70

Yardage: 6,866 yards

Course Architect: W.S. Flynn (Architect) H.C. Toomey (Engineer)

Opened: 1897

Address: 2295 Country Club Drive, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006

Phone: 215-657-1610

Website: <https://www.hvccpa.org>

Golf Professional: Ian R. Dalzell

General Manager: Bill Troyanoski

Superintendent: Scott Anderson



The skinny

- Open to male GAP Member Club golfers with a Handicap Index of 5.0 or less.
- The field of approximately 144 players will consist of the exempt players entered and those who qualified at BMW Philadelphia Amateur Championship Qualifying events conducted at LuLu Country Club (May 10), Berwick Golf Club (May 16), Little Mill Country Club (May 18) and Moselem Springs Golf Club (May 22).
- 36-hole stroke play qualifying on Day One. 32 players advance into match play. A sudden-death playoff will be held to break any ties for qualifying positions. Match play includes two rounds scheduled for Days Two and Three. The 36-hole final will take place on the last day. The defending champion must qualify for match play. The individual stroke-play qualifying rounds count toward the Silver Cross Award standings. This is a William Hyndman, III Player of the Year points and World Amateur Golf Ranking event.



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The previous rendition

GLADWYNE, Pa.— LuLu Country Club’s Michael R. Brown Jr. dispatched fellow LuLu member Jeff Cunningham 4&3 for the 122nd BMW Philadelphia Amateur Championship at a windy Philadelphia Country Club (par 71, 6,968 yards).

The 49-year-old Brown became only the third player to capture the GAP Grand Slam, joining Chris Lange and Jeff Osberg. His Amateur win was the final elusive prize. Brown won each GAP Major once: Middle-Amateur Championship (2009), Open Championship (2010) and Joseph H. Patterson Cup (2018). Those events, along with the Amateur, comprise the Grand Slam.

“I’m in a bit of a haze. I’m just starting to digest the fact that the guys that won this tournament before me, I’m up alongside now,” said Brown. “Chris Lange and Jeff Osberg are two of my idols in this area.”

Both players showed signs of title-hope jitters during the first nine of the 36-hole Final. Uneven play and gusty winds resulted in some head-scratching moments. The match was tied after nine and stayed that way thru 12.

Brown took the lead for good on No. 13 (par 4, 374 yards) when he scrambled for par from the right, back greenside bunker. He converted a clutch six-footer for the 4. Cunningham, unexpectedly, three-putted from 20 feet for bogey.

“Knowing you have room for a mistake gives you more freedom,” Brown said. “I was lucky to have that feeling early in Round 2. I hit some quality shots early to really put some pressure on him. I could play some conservative golf from that point forward.”

Brown is the second LuLu member to hoist the Trophy. Jim Spagnolo took the 1992 Amateur.



The other former champions

1897: Albert H. Smith, Philadelphia Cricket Club d. J.D. Winsor, Merion Cricket Club, 37 holes	Philadelphia CC
1898: William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley CC d. H.M. Forest, Philadelphia CC, N/A	Rydal
1899: Francis H. Bohlen, Philadelphia Cricket Club d. William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley CC, 6&5	Merion Cricket
1900: Fergus M. Mackle, Philadelphia Cricket Club d. A.J.P. Gallagher, Sr., St. Davids GC, 6&5	Philadelphia Cricket
1901: William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley CC d. Rodman E. Griscom, Merion Cricket Club, 3&2	St. Davids
1902: William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley CC d. Harold B. McFarland, Huntingdon Valley CC, 1-up	Bala
1903: Howard W. Perrin, Philadelphia Cricket Club d. William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley CC, N/A,	Huntingdon Valley
1904: Harold B. McFarland, Huntingdon Valley CC d. William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley CC, 6&4	Philadelphia Cricket
1905: Rodman E. Griscom, Merion Cricket Club d. Howard W. Perrin, Philadelphia Cricket Club, 1-up	Merion Cricket
1906: Howard W. Perrin, Philadelphia Cricket Club d. A.W. Tillinghast, Philadelphia Cricket Club, 3&2	St. Davids
1907: Harold B. McFarland, Huntingdon Valley CC d. Walter G. Pfiel, Merion Cricket Club, 2&1	The Springhaven Club
1908: Dr. Simon Carr, Huntingdon Valley CC d. R.E. Hanson, Plymouth CC, 37 holes	Philadelphia CC
1909: Walter G. Pfiel, Huntingdon Valley CC d. Wirt L. Thompson, Huntingdon Valley CC, 3&2	Huntingdon Valley
1910: Wirt L. Thompson, Huntingdon Valley CC d. William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley CC, 3&1	Merion Cricket
1911: Albert H. Smith, Huntingdon Valley CC d. H.B. Heyburn, Philadelphia Cricket Club, 4&3	Philadelphia Cricket Club
1912: Harold B. McFarland, Huntingdon Valley CC d. George Crump, Philadelphia CC, 7&5	St. Davids
1913: Harold B. McFarland, Huntingdon Valley CC d. William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley CC, 1-up	Huntingdon Valley
1914: Horace H. Francine, Huntingdon Valley CC d. N/A	Philadelphia CC
1915: Hugh L. Willoughby, Philadelphia CC d. Louis M. Washburn, Merion Cricket Club, N/A	Whitemarsh Valley
1916: Cameron B. Buxton, Huntingdon Valley CC d. Walter H. Reynolds, Aronimink GC, N/A	Huntingdon Valley
1917: Cameron B. Buxton, Huntingdon Valley CC d. F.W. Knight, Aronimink GC, N/A	Whitemarsh Valley
1918: No Contest	
1919: George W. Hoffner, Bala GC d. N.H. Maxwell, Overbrook GC, N/A	Philmont
1920: J. Wood Platt, North Hills CC d. Horace H. Francine, Huntingdon Valley CC, N/A	Huntingdon Valley
1921: Lucious F. Deming, Whitemarsh Valley CC d. Paul Tewksbury, Aronimink GC, N/A	Whitemarsh Valley
1922: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC d. Marcus Greer, Llanerch CC, N/A	Pine Valley
1923: Max Marston, Merion Cricket Club d. George W. Hoffner, Bala GC, N/A	Merion Cricket
1924: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC d. Joseph Greene, Jr., Roxborough CC, N/A	Aronimink
1925: Philip L. Corson, Plymouth CC d. Rodney F. Coltart, Roxborough CC, N/A	Merion Cricket
1926: William J. Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC d. J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, N/A	Whitemarsh Valley
1927: Spencer L. Jones, Plymouth CC d. D. Clarke Corkran, Huntingdon Valley CC, N/A	Manufacturers
1928: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC d. A.H. Kaye, Old York Road CC, N/A	Philmont
1929: Philip L. Corson, Plymouth CC d. J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, N/A	North Hills
1930: Theodore Johnston, Green Valley CC d. W.B. McCullough, Jr., Huntingdon Valley CC, N/A	Pine Valley
1931: Robert H. Albertus, CC of Lansdowne d. William A. Kelly, Paxon Hollow GC, N/A	Llanerch
1932: J. Griffith Boardman, Ashbourne CC d. Harold S. Cross, Jr., Huntingdon Valley CC, 3&2	Whitemarsh Valley
1933: Christopher Brinke, Aronimink GC d. Harold S. Cross, Jr., Huntingdon Valley CC, 6&5	Huntingdon Valley
1934: Willard H. Goeckler, Whitemarsh Valley CC d. Theodore Johnston, Roxborough CC, 5&4	Llanerch
1935: William Hyndman, III, Old York Road CC d. Richard Allman, Philmont CC, 1-up	Cedarbrook
1936: Jack F. Buchanan, Overbrook GC d. George E. Menard, Jr., Llanerch CC, 8&7	Philmont
1937: Charles A. Reckner, Cedarbrook CC d. Harold S. Cross, Jr., Huntingdon Valley CC, 7&5	Manufacturers
Format changed to Medal Play (72 holes)	
1938: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 301	Whitemarsh Valley
1939: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 298	Pine Valley
1940: William J. Platt, Philadelphia Cricket Club, 328	Philadelphia Cricket
Format reverts back to Match Play	
1941: John J. Penrose, Merchantville CC d. Charles Heuer, Old York Road CC, 3&1	Philmont (North)
1942: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC d. W.B. McCullough, Jr., Huntingdon Valley CC, 20 holes	Whitemarsh Valley CC
1943: No Contest	
1944: No Contest	
1945: No Contest	

1946: John Markel, Berkshire CC d. William Hyndman, III, Huntingdon Valley CC, 3&2	Philadelphia Cricket
1947: W.B. McCullough, Jr., Huntingdon Valley CC d. Matt J. Scammell, Jr., Trenton CC, 3&2	Merion (East)
1948: Geoge Rowbotham, Llanerch CC d. Stanley Nolan, Sandy Run CC, 1-up	Aronimink
1949: Lincoln Roden, III, Huntingdon Valley CC d. John Markel, Berkshire CC, 6&4	Huntingdon Valley
1950: Lincoln Roden, III, Huntingdon Valley CC d. William Robinson, Whitemarsh Valley CC, N/A	Whitemarsh Valley
1951: Harold S. Cross, Jr., Philadelphia Cricket Club d. Francis Wininger, Atlantic City CC, 19 holes	Green Valley
1952: Samuel Penecale, Melrose CC d. John Dyniewski, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 2&1	Whitemarsh Valley
1953: Richard Allman, Philmont CC d. Allan Sussel, White Manor CC, 2&1	Philadelphia CC
1954: John Dyniewski, Whitemarsh Valley CC d. N. Harper Steward, Manufacturers G&CC, 4&3	Merion (East)
1955: John Dyniewski, Whitemarsh Valley CC d. Ellis Taylor, The Springhaven Club, 4&3	Aronimink
1956: Howard Everitt, Atlantic City CC d. James D. Sykes, Old York Road CC, 6&4	Philadelphia Cricket
1957: Howard Everitt, Atlantic City d. John Dyniewski, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 3&2	Cedarbrook
1958: William Hyndman, III, Huntingdon Valley CC d. John Dyniewski, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 1-up	Whitemarsh Valley
1959: Cornelius Campbell, Torresdale-Frankford CC d. Robert Lindinger, St. Davids GC, 5&4	Philmont
1960: John H. Guenther, Jr., Berkshire CC d. Lincoln Roden, III, Huntingdon Valley CC, 2&1	Huntingdon Valley
1961: Howard Everitt, Shawnee CC d. James D. Sykes, Huntingdon Valley CC, 2&1	Manufacturers
1962: John Dyniewski, Whitemarsh Valley CC d. Edward Richtelli, Newark CC, 2&1	Whitemarsh Valley
1963: John G. Hendrickson, Philadelphia Cricket Club d. Robert Beirne, Riverton CC, 40 holes	Philadelphia Cricket
1964: Robert Beirne, Riverton CC d. Allan Sussel, White Manor GC, 3&1	Aronimink
1965: William Hyndman, III, Huntingdon Valley CC d. James Dolan, Chester Valley GC, 8&7	Philadelphia CC
1966: James P. King, Cedarbrook CC d. William O'Donnell, III, Moselem Springs GC, 2-up	St. Davids
1967: O. Gordon Brewer, Jr., Huntingdon Valley CC d. Harvey Smith, Atlantic City CC, 2-up	Torresdale-Frankford
1968: James T. Meyer, Tavistock CC d. Andrew Goldman, Ashbourne CC, 8&7	Philmont (North)
1969: Allan Sussel, Squires GC d. James Rutter, Reading CC, 8&7	Cedarbrook
1970: Donald Norbury, Buena Vista CC d. R. Jay Sigel, Aronimink GC, 6&5	Whitford
1971: Don Morano, Riverton CC d. Thomas Hyndman, Huntingdon Valley CC, 2&1	Philadelphia Cricket
1972: Raymond Thompson, Overbrook GC d. Thomas Conboy, Sandy Run CC, 5&3	Aronimink
1973: R. Jay Sigel, Aronimink GC d. Don Sowers, Reading CC, 8&7	Manufacturers
1974: Herman J. Fry, Reading CC d. Frank Magee, Huntingdon Valley CC, 3&2	Cedarbrook
1975: Arthur Jacoby, Philmont CC d. John Peterson, Riverton CC, 5&4	Squires
1976: O. Gordon Brewer, Jr., Huntingdon Valley CC d. Duke Delcher, Sandy Run CC, 1-up	Philadelphia Cricket
1977: Chip Lutz, Reading CC d. Jack Hubert, Old York Road CC, 2&1	Manufacturers
1978: Charles L. Bolling, Jr., Gulph Mills GC d. Robert Levy, Philmont CC, 6&5	Philmont (North)
1979: George Marucci, Jr., Waynesborough CC d. Jim Robertson, Llanerch CC, 37 holes	Gulph Mills
1980: Benjamin D. Goldman, Philmont CC d. Bob Levy, Philmont CC, 5&4	Sunnybrook
1981: Gary Deetscreek, Old York Road CC d. Blaise Giroso, Cavaliers CC, 2-up	Whitemarsh Valley
1982: Chris Anderson, Wilmington CC d. David K. Brookreson, Huntingdon Valley CC, 4&3	Rolling Green
1983: Chris Anderson, Wilmington CC d. Blaise Giroso, Brandywine CC, 2&1	Wilmington (South)
1984: Chris Lange, Overbrook GC d. Blaise Giroso, Brandywine CC, 1-up	Manufacturers
1985: George Marucci, Jr., Waynesborough CC d. Blaise Giroso, Brandywine CC, 2-up	Waynesborough
1986: Andy Thompson, Overbrook GC d. George Marucci, Jr., Waynesborough CC, 1 up	The Springhaven Club
1987: R. Jay Sigel, Aronimink GC d. Andy Thompson, Overbrook GC, 1-up	Torresdale-Frankford
1988: Brian Rothaus, Ashbourne CC d. George Dillon, Pine Valley GC, 9&8	Cedarbrook
1989: Charles Dowds, III, North Hills CC d. David Staebler, Rolling Green GC, 2&1	Wilmington
1990: Tom Carter, Sandy Run CC d. William Kennedy, Cedarbrook CC, 3&2	Riverton
1991: David K. Brookreson, Huntingdon Valley CC d. Rob Savarese, Jr., Philadelphia Cricket Club, 1-up	Old York Road
1992: Jim Spagnolo, Lu Lu CC d. Robin McCool, Saucon Valley CC, 2-up	Whitemarsh Valley
1993: Chris Lange, Overbrook GC d. Tom Shallow, Philadelphia CC, 1-up	Philadelphia CC
1994: Chris Lange, Overbrook GC d. David K. Brookreson, Huntingdon Valley CC, 4&3	Aronimink
1995: James Kania, Sr., Overbrook GC d. J.P. Connelly, Huntingdon Valley CC, 2&1	Atlantic City
1996: William McGuinness, Tavistock CC d. Chris Hoyle, Llanerch CC, 2&1	Manufacturers
1997: Lee McEntee, Philadelphia CC d. Rob Savarese, Jr., Philadelphia Cricket Club, 3&2	Philadelphia CC
1998: Andy Thompson, Overbrook GC d. Michael Domenick, Phoenixville CC, 2&1	Llanerch
1999: Jim Sullivan, Jr., Huntingdon Valley CC d. Aaron Friedman, Meadowlands CC, 4&3	Gulph Mills
2000: Michael Hyland, Little Mill CC d. Michael McDermott, Llanerch CC, 38 holes	Stonewall
2001: Brian Gillespie, St. Davids GC d. Pete Toole, Media Heights GC, 3&2	Jericho National
2002: Billy Stewart, Llanerch CC d. John Robinson, Commonwealth National GC, 8&7	Riverton

2003: Michael Tash, Tavistock CC d. Brian Gillespie, St. Davids GC, 1-up
 2004: Scott Ehrlich, Meadowlands CC d. Michael Tash, Tavistock CC, 5&4
 2005: Clint Deibert, Doylestown CC d. Tug Maude, Merion GC, 2&1
 2006: Kyle Davis, Fieldstone GC d. Paul Rogowicz, Yardley CC, 5&3
 2007: Phil Bartholomew, Yardley CC d. William McGuinness, Tavistock CC, 2&1
 2008: Michael McDermott, Merion GC d. Cole Willcox, Philadelphia CC, 6&4
 2009: Conrad Von Borsig, Concord CC d. James Kania, Jr., Overbrook GC, 6&4
 2010: Justin Martinson, Hartefeld National d. Michael Kania, Overbrook GC, 2&1
 2011: Michael Hyland, Little Mill CC d. Stephen Hudacek, III, Glenmaura National GC, 1-up
 2012: Brian Colbert, White Manor CC d. Greg Jarmas, Philadelphia Publincs GA, 6&4
 2013: Michael McDermott, Merion GC d. Alexander Hicks, Wildwood G&CC, 5&4
 2014: Jeff Osberg, Huntingdon Valley CC d. Nelson Hargrove, Gulph Mills GC, 10&9
 2015: Cole Berman, Philadelphia Cricket Club d. Michael Davis, Aronimink GC, 6&4
 2016: Michael McDermott, Merion GC d. Jeff Osberg, Huntingdon Valley CC, 1-up
 2017: Gregor Orlando, Philadelphia Cricket Club d. Grant Skyllas, LedgeRock GC, 9&8
 2018: Jeremy Wall, Manasquan River GC d. Andrew Mason, Huntingdon Valley CC, 37 holes
 2019: Jeremy Wall, Manasquan River GC d. Jeff Osberg, Pine Valley GC, 3&2
 2020: Zach Barbin, Loch Nairn GC d. Michael O'Brien, Makefield Highlands GC, 5&3
 2021: Conor McGrath, Huntingdon Valley CC d. Jack Irons, Little Mill CC, 3&2
 2022: Michael R. Brown Jr., LuLu CC d. Jeff Cunningham, LuLu CC, 4&3

Philmont (North)
 Philadelphia Cricket (Militia Hill)
 Cedarbrook
 Torresdale-Frankford
 Applebrook
 Whitemarsh Valley
 Stonewall (Old)
 Saucon Valley (Old)
 Manufacturers
 Huntingdon Valley
 Aronimink
 White Manor
 Llanerch
 Merion (East)
 Philadelphia Cricket
 (Wissahickon)
 Whitemarsh Valley
 Stonewall (Old)
 Lancaster
 Cedarbrook
 Philadelphia CC



Jeff Cunningham, 2022 BMW Philadelphia Amateur Runner-up

The medalists

- 1897: Albert H. Smith, Philadelphia Cricket Club, 93
1898: R.E. Griscom, Merion Cricket Club, 182
J.D. Windsor, Merion Cricket Club
1899: Albert H. Smith, Huntingdon Valley CC, 182
1900: Fergus M. Mackie, Philadelphia CC, 174
1901: George A. Crump, St. Davids GC, 172
1902: Harold B. McFarland, Huntingdon Valley CC, 160
1903: Howard W. Perrin, Philadelphia Cricket Club, 173
1904: N/A
1905: N/A
1906: N/A
1907: N/A
1908: N/A
1909: N/A
1910: Howard W. Perrin, Philadelphia Cricket Club, N/A
1911: N/A
1912: N/A
1913: William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley CC, N/A
1914: E.W. Clark, III, Philadelphia CC, 156
1915: Walter H. Reynolds, Woodbury CC, 154
1916: Cameron B. Buxton, Huntingdon Valley CC, 158
1917: Cameron B. Buxton, Huntingdon Valley CC, 155
1918: No Contest
1919: George W. Hoffner, Bala GC, 152
1920: Fred W. Knight, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 78
1921: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 152
1922: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 153
1923: Max Marston, Merion Cricket Club, 146
1924: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 149
1925: Charles A. Reckner, Cedarbrook CC, 157
1926: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 149
1927: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 151
1928: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 155
1929: J.W. Schultz, Melrose CC, 149
1930: Theodore Johnston, Green Valley CC, 152
1931: Theodore Johnston, Green Valley CC, 149
1932: J.G. Boardman, Ashbourne CC, 151
1933: Christopher Brinke, Aronimink GC, 146
1934: Walter J. Cantley, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 147
1935: Charles A. Reckner, Cedarbrook CC, 148
1936: William Hyndman, III, Old York Road CC, 153
1937: Willard H. Goeckler, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 145
1938: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 145
1939: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 293
1940: Harry Haverstick, Lancaster CC, 145
1941: Howard Everitt, Manufacturers G&CC, 148
1942: J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley CC, 147
1943: No Contest
1944: No Contest
1945: No Contest
1946: Howard Everitt, Atlantic City CC, 142
1947: Clyde Oskin, Saucon Valley CC, 145
1948: Douglas Weiland, Phoenixville CC, 147
1949: Don Weiland, Phoenixville CC, 146
1950: Sam Penecale, Melrose CC, 142
1951: Sam Penecale, Melrose CC, 140
1952: Jason McHale, Overbrook GC, 142
1953: Sam Penecale, Melrose CC, 141
1954: William Hyndman, III, Huntingdon Valley CC, 145
1955: Edward Wallace, Tavistock CC, 142
1956: William Hyndman, III, Huntingdon Valley CC, 142
1957: William Hyndman, III, Huntingdon Valley CC, 139
1958: William Hyndman, III, Huntingdon Valley CC, 143
1959: Robert Beirne, Riverton CC, 145
1960: John H. Guenther, Jr., Berkshire CC, 146
1961: James Sykes, Huntingdon Valley CC, 143
1962: John Dyniewski, Whitemarsh Valley CC & John G. Hendrickson, Philadelphia Cricket Club, 144
1963: Edward Anewalt, Berkshire CC & William H. Care, Jr., Atlantic City CC, 148
1964: Harvey Smith, Atlantic City CC, 144
1965: Robert Kotz, Trenton CC — 141
1966: O. Gordon Brewer, Jr., Huntingdon Valley CC, 141
1967: Donald Norbury, Wildwood G&CC, 145
1968: Robert Beirne, Riverton CC, 143
1969: Ted Hagedorn, Old York Road CC, 144
1970: Paul Erhardt, III, Sakima CC, 144
1971: James M. Byer, Greenacres CC, 144
1972: R. Jay Sigel, Aronimink GC, 139
1973: R. Jay Sigel, Aronimink GC, 146
1974: R. Jay Sigel, Aronimink GC, 144
1975: R. Jay Sigel, Aronimink GC, 142
1976: James Hamilton, Reading CC, 108
1977: Michael Rose, Philmont CC, 146
1978: R. Jay Sigel, Aronimink GC, 140
1979: Chris Blair, Merion GC, 142
1980: Chris Fieger, The Springhaven Club, 144
1981: R. Jay Sigel, Aronimink GC, 141
1982: David K. Brookreson, Huntingdon Valley CC, 143
1983: Carl Everett, Merion GC, 145
1984: James Kania, Overbrook GC, 140
1985: Brian Rothaus, Ashbourne CC, 145
1986: Blaise Giroso, Brandywine CC, 140
1987: Dennis Konczyk, Torresdale-Frankford CC, 143
1988: Andy Thompson, Overbrook GC, 145
1989: William McGuinness, Tavistock CC, 143
1990: William Kennedy, Cedarbrook CC & Robin McCool, Saucon Valley CC, 67
1991: Robin McCool, Saucon Valley CC, 73, Old York Road CC

1992: Jim Forster, Old York Road CC, 144
1993: Michael Fox, Radley Run CC, 141
1994: David K. Brookreson, Huntingdon Valley CC;
Michael Gregor, Huntingdon Valley CC; James D.
Kania, Overbrook GC, 140
1995: David K. Brookreson, Huntingdon Valley CC &
Chris Yard, Whitford CC, 145
1996: Michael Moffat, Lu Lu CC; P. Chet Walsh,
Philadelphia CC; Mike Brown, Old York Road CC;
William McGuinness, Tavistock CC, 143
1997: Robin McCool, Saucon Valley CC, 141
1998: William McGuinness, Tavistock CC, 140
1999: John Rusk, Yardley CC, 139
2000: Glenn Smeraglio, Yardley CC, 144
2001: Christian Bartolacci, Jericho National GC, 142
2002: Christian Bartolacci, Jericho National GC, 135
2003: Michael McDermott, Llanerch CC, 137
2004: Michael Lebow, Spring Ford CC, 138
2005: Jamie Slonis, Tavistock CC, 141
2006: Clint Deibert, Doylestown CC, 134
2007: Chase Duncan, Meadia Heights GC & Conrad Von
Borsig, Concord CC, 140
2008: Mike Danner, Lu Lu CC, 138
2009: Michael Hyland, Little Mill CC, 139
2010: Matt Raudenbush, Pine Valley GC, 141
2011: Mike Meisenzahl, Little Mill CC, 138
2012: Brian Colbert, White Manor CC, 138
2013: Kyle Sterbinsky, Yardley CC, 139
2014: Michael McDermott, Merion GC, 137
2015: Jeff Osberg, Huntingdon Valley CC, 136
2016: Patrick Ross, Huntsville GC, 143
2017: John Brennan, Philadelphia Cricket Club, 138
2018: Ryan Rucinski, Fieldstone GC, 141
2019: Jeff Osberg, Pine Valley GC, 138
2020: Will Davenport, Whitemarsh Valley CC & Jalen
Griffin, Five Ponds GC, 69
2021: Peter Bradbeer, Merion GC, 137
2022: John Peters, Carlisle CC & Troy Vannucci, Little
Mill CC, 137

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Most Championships Won

7 — J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley
4 — Harold B. McFarland, Huntingdon Valley
3 — William Hyndman, III, Huntingdon Valley;
William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley; John Dyniewski,
Whitemarsh Valley; Howard Everitt, Atlantic City;
Chris Lange, Overbrook; Michael McDermott, Merion

Most Consecutive Championships Won

2 — William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley; Harold B.
MacFarland, Huntingdon Valley; Cameron B. Buxton,
Huntingdon Valley; J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley;
Lincoln Roden, III, Huntingdon Valley; John
Dyniewski, Whitemarsh Valley; Howard Everitt,
Atlantic City; Chris Anderson, Wilmington; Chris
Lange, Overbrook; Jeremy Wall, Manasquan River

Most Final Appearances

9 — J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley
8 — William P. Smith, Huntingdon Valley
6 — John Dyniewski, Whitemarsh Valley

Most Runner-Up Finishes

4 — Blaise Giroso, Fieldstone; William P. Smith,
Huntingdon Valley

Longest Span between Victories

23 years — William Hyndman, III, Huntingdon Valley

Largest Winning Margin in Final

10&9 — Jeff Osberg, Huntingdon Valley d. Nelson
Hargrove, Gulph Mills (2014)

Longest Final Match

40 holes — John G. Hendrickson, Philadelphia Cricket
Club d. Robert Beirne, Riverton (1963)

Lowest Qualifying Score (36-holes)

134 — Clint Deibert, Doylestown

Most Times Medalist

7 — J. Wood Platt, Whitemarsh Valley
6 — R. Jay Sigel, Aronimink
5 — William Hyndman, III, Huntingdon Valley

Clubs Fielding Most Champions

Huntingdon Valley — 25
Whitemarsh Valley — 17
Philadelphia Cricket Club — 10
Overbrook — 6

The notes

Originating in 1897, the Amateur Championship is the Association's premiere Major. It is a four-day event that distinguishes the best Amateur golfers in the Philadelphia region.

Four qualifying events, as well as pre-existing player exemptions, determine the Amateur Championship field. On the event's first day, more than 130 players compete in a 36-hole qualifier to earn one of 32 spots in a match play draw. Two of those 32 players then must advance through four rounds of golf to gain a spot in the Amateur Final, which traditionally takes place on the day prior to Father's Day. The Final also typically coincides with the third day of the U.S. Open.

Philadelphia Cricket Club's Albert H. Smith captured the first Amateur Championship by defeating J.D. Winsor of Merion Cricket Club in 37 holes at Philadelphia Country Club. The event's format switched to medal play in 1938. J. Wood Platt went on to win two consecutive Amateurs under that format. His brother William "Zimmer" Platt earned the 1940 title at Philadelphia Cricket Club by being the only competitor to finish all 72 holes. The event's format reverted back to match play the following year.

The Amateur Championship wasn't contested from 1943-45 because of World War II. Overall, 37 courses have served as host sites. BMW has served as the event's presenting sponsor since 2015.

The winner of the BMW Philadelphia Amateur Championship is presented with the J. Wood Platt Trophy. Its namesake is widely regarded as the most influential figure in GAP history.

Platt's amateur résumé features seven Amateur Championships and Silver Cross Awards, four Patterson Cups and a Junior Boys' Championship title. He also captured the inaugural U.S. Senior Amateur Championship in 1955. Platt was also a successful administrator in golf. He served as the Association's president on two different occasions.

Platt gave back to the game in many ways. His work resonates in the J. Wood Platt Caddie Scholarship Trust, which provides financial assistance to young men and women hoping to continue their education.

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