



## The Ocean Course at Kiawah Island Golf Resort to host 2031 PGA Championship

### *2029 Junior PGA Championships to be held at The Ocean Course and Turtle Point*

FRISCO, Texas & KIAWAH ISLAND, S.C. (April 17, 2024) - The PGA of America announced today that The Ocean Course at Kiawah Island Golf Resort in Kiawah Island, South Carolina, will host the 2031 PGA Championship. Additionally, the 2029 Girls and Boys Junior PGA Championships will be contested at The Ocean Course and Turtle Point Golf Course at Kiawah Island Golf Resort.

The 113th PGA Championship, scheduled for May 2031, marks the third time the strongest field in golf will compete for the Wanamaker Trophy along South Carolina's coast.

The Ocean Course previously hosted the 2012 and 2021 PGA Championships, and will join elite company as just the ninth course to host three or more PGA Championships. The PGA of America also conducted the 1991 Ryder Cup, 2005 PGA Professional Championship and the 2007 Senior PGA Championship there.

“We are ecstatic to bring the Junior PGA Championships and PGA Championship to The Ocean Course at Kiawah Island Golf Resort in 2029 and 2031,” said PGA of America President John Lindert, PGA Director of Golf at The Country Club of Lansing. “Past PGA Championships at Kiawah Island have provided no shortage of memorable moments and historic performances, all taking place along a breathtaking coastal setting. The Ocean Course's challenging layout and rich history make it an ideal destination for our Championships.”

At the 2021 PGA Championship, 50-year-old Phil Mickelson became the oldest men's major champion in golf history. He registered a final-round 1-over-par 73 to finish at 6-under-par and clinch the two-shot victory.

The 2012 PGA Championship saw a 23-year-old Rory McIlroy cruise to a record-setting victory. The Northern Ireland native posted a 6-under-par 66 on Sunday to finish at 13-under-par 275. McIlroy's eight-stroke victory surpassed the PGA Championship record for victory margin set by Jack Nicklaus in 1980.

The 1991 Ryder Cup proved to be a significant moment in the history of golf's greatest team event. Following an intense, drama-filled two days, the three-day contest came down to the final hole of the final match between Hale Irwin and Bernhard Langer.

With the U.S. holding a 14-13 lead and the match tied, Langer needed to win the 18th to capture a full point and secure the 14-14 tie for Europe to retain the Cup. Following Irwin's bogey, Langer's six-foot putt for par narrowly missed, resulting in a 14 ½ to 13 ½ victory for the home team.

The Junior PGA Championships, two of golf's major championships for juniors, continue to serve as a springboard for many of the PGA TOUR and LPGA Tour's biggest stars. Tiger Woods, Scottie Scheffler, Jordan Spieth and Justin Thomas competed in past editions while past Girls Junior PGA winners include Inbee Park, Yuka Saso, Lexi Thompson and Rose Zhang.

"We are proud to again be selected as the host course for the 2031 PGA Championship," said Kiawah Island Golf Resort President Roger Warren, PGA. "The Ocean Course at Kiawah Island Golf Resort, Pete Dye's brilliant seaside design, will present a formidable challenge for the strongest, all-professional field in major championship golf. We are confident our partnership with the PGA of America and the local community will produce another world class event."

The Ocean Course, designed by Pete and Alice Dye from 1989-91, is widely regarded as one of the best golf courses in the country. Located on the easternmost end of Kiawah Island, it boasts the most seaside holes in the Northern Hemisphere with 10 hugging the Atlantic and the other eight running parallel to those. Although the course was originally planned to sit behind the dunes, Alice Dye suggested raising the entire course to give players unobstructed views of Kiawah Island's stunning coastline on every hole.

The Ocean Course has consistently ranked among *Golf Digest's* 100 Greatest and 100 Greatest Public Courses in the United States, including 24th (100 Greatest) and third (100 Greatest Public) in 2023-24.

For more information on the PGA Championship, visit [here](#).



# PGA CHAMPIONSHIP FUTURE SITES AS OF SPRING 2024



2024 VALHALLA GOLF CLUB, LOUISVILLE, KY

2025 QUAIL HOLLOW CLUB, CHARLOTTE, NC

2026 ARONIMINK GOLF CLUB, NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA

2027 FIELDS RANCH AT PGA FRISCO, FRISCO, TX

2028 THE OLYMPIC CLUB, SAN FRANCISCO, CA

2029 BALTUSROL GOLF CLUB, SPRINGFIELD, NJ

2030 CONGRESSIONAL COUNTRY CLUB, BETHESDA, MD

2031 KIAWAH ISLAND GOLF RESORT, KIAWAH ISLAND, SC

2034 FIELDS RANCH AT PGA FRISCO, FRISCO, TX

## About the PGA Championship

The PGA Championship is the only all-professional major in men's golf. It began in 1916, just months after the birth of the PGA of America, and today features one of the deepest international fields in golf. Since 1994, it has perennially featured the strongest field in golf with the most top-100 players in the Official World Golf Rankings.

## About PGA of America

The PGA of America is one of the world's largest sports organizations, composed of more than 30,000 PGA of America Golf Professionals who love the game, are expert coaches, operators and business leaders, and work daily to drive interest, inclusion and participation in the sport. The PGA of America owns and operates numerous championships and events, including major championships for men, women, seniors and the Ryder Cup, one of the world's foremost sporting events. For more information, visit [PGA.com](https://www.pga.com) and follow us on [X, formerly known as Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

## About Kiawah Island Golf Resort

Located along 10 miles of pristine beach less than 30 miles south of Charleston, S.C., Kiawah Island Golf Resort consistently ranks as one of the country's top resorts. It includes The Sanctuary at Kiawah Island Golf Resort, a 255-room hotel awarded with a triple Forbes Five-Star rating for hotel, restaurant and spa, and AAA Five Diamond rating for hotel and spa. Additional accommodations include nearly 500 private villas and luxury homes, and four Cottages at The Ocean Course. Renowned for its nature and recreational offerings, the resort features five championship golf courses, including The Ocean Course, host of the 1991 Ryder Cup, and the 2012 and 2021 PGA Championships. For 15 of the past 17 years, the resort has ranked as the number-one tennis resort in the world by TennisResortsOnline.com. For more information, visit [kiawahresort.com](https://www.kiawahresort.com).

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