

# 19<sup>TH</sup> SENIOR OPEN OF VIRGINIA



Sept. 9-10



Willow Oaks CC



Event home



## KEY FACTS

**FORMAT:** Two rounds of stroke play. A sudden-death playoff will be utilized should there be a tie after 36 holes.

**STARTING TIMES:** Starting at 8:30 a.m. off Nos. 1 and 10 both days.

**CLUB ADDRESS:** 6228 Forest Hill Ave., Richmond, 23225

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**CLUB PERSONNEL:** Chris Welles, CCM (general manager), Sean Patterson, PGA (director of golf), Eric Frazier (director of agronomy), Susan Birckhead (director of catering & events).

**COURSE OPENED:** 1957

**CHAMPIONSHIPS (INCL. JOINT VSGA/MAPGA EVENTS):** 22

**LAST CHAMPIONSHIP:** 2023 VSGA Senior Amateur

## 2024 SENIOR PLAYER RANKINGS

### VSGA

1. Buck Brittain (1081)
2. Jon Hurst (1006)
3. **Steve Serrao** (943) →
4. Pete Barbera (838)
5. Jeffrey Klatt (670)
6. Scott Shingler (665)
7. Bowen Sargent (597)
8. Jay Serrao (541)
9. Kevin South (446)



### MAPGA

1. **Rick Schuller** (802.5) →
2. Ricky Serrano (635)
3. Adam Decker (600)
4. David Hutsell (573.33)
5. Tim Lewis (535.5)
6. Sean English (510)
7. Jim Estes (457.5)
8. Maggie Will (450)
9. Chris Carpenter (384.67)



## UPCOMING MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS

**SEPTEMBER 16:** MAPGA Stroke Play Championship #2/Matt Miskelly & Co. MAPGA Head Professional Championship, The GC at The Highlands, Chesterfield

**SEPTEMBER 23-25:** 9th VSGA Mid-Senior Amateur & 30th VSGA Super Senior Amateur championships, Danville GC

**OCTOBER 1-2:** 2024 VSGA Senior and Super Senior Multi-Format Team championships, Lakeside Park Club, Richmond

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## 2024 VSGA MEN'S WINNERS

### RECENT EVENTS

#### SUPER SENIOR FOUR-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP

65+: Paul Gural/Mike Howell (134, -10)

70+: Pat Gregory/Mike Moore (139, -5)

75+: J.P. Leigh/Glenn Morris (135, -9)

#### SENIOR STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

Steve Serrao (140, -4)

#### AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Winner: Logan Reilly (d. Nikita Gubenko, 4 & 2)

Medalist: Chris Zhang (139, -5)

#### SUPER SENIOR STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

65+: David Partridge (146, +2)

70+: Dayton Slater (150, +6)

75+: Terry Towler (141, -3)

#### STATE OPEN OF VIRGINIA

Winner: Logan Reilly (201, -12, won in playoff)

Low pro: Jay Woodson (201, -12)

#### SENIOR AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Winner: Buck Britain (d. Scott Shingler, 3 & 1)

Medalist: Shingler (138, -7)

## 2024 MAPGA MEN'S WINNERS

### RECENT EVENTS

#### MAPGA SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Adam Decker (134, -8)

#### NATIONAL CAR RENTAL MAPGA ASSISTANT CHAMP.

Jon Moles (132, -8)

#### MAPGA SECTION PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Bill Fedder (209, -7, won on 2nd playoff hole)

#### CAPITOL GOLF CARS BOBBY GORIN PRO-JUNIOR

Grant Strawoet/Jordan Quint (31, -4)

Event shortened to nine holes due to weather

#### SENIOR-JUNIOR

Jeff Combe/Grant Strawoet (65, -6)

#### CLUB CAR PRO-PRESIDENT

Don Huber/Robert Agresti (69, -3)

#### MAPGA PRO-SCRATCH

Matt Summers/Sean Flanigan (39, Stableford scoring)

#### JANI KING MATCH PLAY

Alexander McGonagle def. Ryan Zylstra, 2 & 1

#### MAPGA STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP #1

Larkin Gross (66, -4, won with an eagle on 1st playoff hole)

## PAST CHAMPIONS IN THE FIELD

Ten past champions will tee it up at Willow Oaks:

- **Brendan McGrath** (2021, 2023)
- **Rick Schuller** (2013, 2022)
- **Dave Pulk** (2015, 2019)
- **Buck Brittain** (2017, 2018)
- **Ricky Touma** (2016)
- **Tim Lewis** (2012)
- **David Partridge** (2011)
- **Keith Decker** (2010)
- **Jay Hardwick** (2009)
- **Jon Corliss** (2008)

## FIELD NOTES

- All four two-time Senior Open champions are participating at Willow Oaks, looking to become the first player to win three Senior Opens: Brendan McGrath, Rick Schuller, Dave Pulk, and Buck Brittain.
- Brittain is the only player to win consecutive Senior Open titles, doing so in 2017 and 2018.
- Brittain will look to become just the second player to win VSGA Senior Amateur and Senior Open of Virginia titles in the same year. David Partridge won both in 2011. Brittain defeated Scott Shingler in last month's VSGA Senior Amateur title match, 3 and 1.
- Schuller went nine years between his first and second Senior Open titles.
- In addition to both finalists, another semifinalist from the VSGA Senior Amateur--Pete Barbera--is in the field at Willow Oaks..
- After five years at Independence Golf Club, this event is being staged at Willow Oaks as Independence prepares to host stroke-play qualifying rounds for the upcoming U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship.
- Amateurs won this championship each year from 2017-2020, but a professional has won the title three years in a row.
- Three Willow Oaks members will participate: Steve Serrao, David Jordan, and Mark Lange. Serrao won his second VSGA Senior Stroke Play title earlier this year, and Jordan is a past winner of the VSGA Senior Stroke Play.
- Seven of the top nine players in the VSGA Senior Player rankings are in the field. No. 7 Bowen Sargent and No. 9 Kevin South are not participating.

## The scorecard: Willow Oaks CC

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	
Par	4	3	4	4	5	4	3	5	4	36	
Yards	329	156	425	381	540	420	168	480	365	3264	
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOT
	4	3	5	4	4	3	5	4	4	36	72
	318	170	477	400	349	180	565	430	402	3291	6555

## RECAPPING 2023

### CHAMPION:

Brendan McGrath (68-70--138), won in playoff

### LOW

AMATEUR/RUNNER-UP:

Buck Brittain (70-68--138)

SITE: Independence GC



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