

74 QUALIFYING EVENTS TO DETERMINE OPEN FIELD

Oakland Hills
Is Host to
Open for 4th Time

The qualifying process to determine the 150 men who will play in the 61st National Open Championship begins May 19.

Local Qualifying Rounds will be played at 61 sites on May 19, 22 and 23 and Sectional Qualifying Championships at 13 sites on June 5 and 6. All rounds will be over 36 holes in one day.

After Local Qualifying, the eligible field for the 13 Sectional Championships will approximate 20 per cent of total entries, excluding those exempted from both qualifying series. The 150 competing at Oakland Hills, near Detroit, will be the exempted players and those who survive Sectional Qualifying.

Entries for the Open must be received at the USGA office, 40 East 38th St., New York 16, N. Y., on official forms no later than May 3. The entry fee has been increased from \$10 to \$15.

The 72-hole Championship will carry a \$60,000 purse for professionals. The winner's share will be \$14,000. Every professional who returns a 72-hole score will receive at least \$250, and every amateur who returns a 72-hole score will receive a gold medal.

Prize money in each of the 13 Sectional Qualifying Championships has been increased from \$100 to \$600. The lowest scoring professional will receive \$300, the second-place professional \$200 and the third-place professional \$100. A total of \$7,800 will be awarded at the 13 Sectional Qualifying Championships. Thus, the total prize money for all phases of the Open will be \$67,800.

Twenty players drawn from seven categories are exempt from all Qualifying.

The exempt players and their categories are: Last five individuals to win the Open—Cary Middlecoff, Dick Mayer, Tommy Bolt, Bill Casper, Jr., and Arnold Palmer; 1960 USGA Amateur Champion—Deane R. Beman; 1960 PGA Champion—Jay Hebert; 1960 British Open Champion—Kelvin Nagle; 1960 British Amateur Champion—Joseph B. Carr; Head professional at Oakland Hills—Al Watrous; ten lowest scorers and those tying for 10th place in the 1960 Open, excluding any of the last five individuals to win—Arnold Palmer, Jack W. Nicklaus, E. J. Harrison, Julius Boros, Mike Souchak, Ted Kroll, Jack Fleck, Dow Finsterwald, Ben Hogan, Jerry Barber and Donald R. Cherry.

LOCAL QUALIFYING

Friday, May 19

CALIF. LOS ANGELES

Tuesday, May 23

CALIF. SAN FRANCISCO

N. J. MONTCLAIR

N. Y. LONG ISLAND

WESTCHESTER

Monday, May 22

ALA. BIRMINGHAM

ARIZ. PHOENIX

ARK. LITTLE ROCK

CALIF. SAN DIEGO

COLO. DENVER

CONN. NEW HAVEN

D. C. WASHINGTON

FLA. JACKSONVILLE

MIAMI

GA. ATLANTA

HAWAII HONOLULU

IDAHO BOISE

ILL. CHICAGO

SPRINGFIELD

IND. INDIANAPOLIS

SOUTH BEND

IOWA DES MOINES

KANSAS WICHITA

KY. LOUISVILLE

LA. NEW ORLEANS

MD. BALTIMORE

MASS. BOSTON

MICH. DETROIT

MINN. GRAND RAPIDS

MISS. MINNEAPOLIS

MO. JACKSON

NEB. KANSAS CITY

N. M. ST. LOUIS

N. Y. LINCOLN

ALBUQUERQUE

N. C. ALBANY

N. D. BUFFALO

OHIO PINEHURST

CINCINNATI

CLEVELAND

COLUMBUS

TOLEDO

OKLA. TULSA

ORE. PORTLAND

PA. HARRISBURG

PHILADELPHIA

PITTSBURGH

S. C. GREENVILLE

TENN. MEMPHIS

NASHVILLE

TEXAS DALLAS

HOUSTON

MIDLAND

UTAH SALE LAKE CITY

VA. RICHMOND

WASH. SEATTLE

SPokane

W. VA. HUNTINGTON

WIS. MILWAUKEE

SECTIONAL QUALIFYING

Monday June 5

COLO. DENVER

GA. ATLANTA

ILL. CHICAGO

MO. KANSAS CITY

OHIO CINCINNATI

ORE. PORTLAND

TEXAS DALLAS

Tuesday, June 6

CALIF. BAKERSFIELD

D. C. WASHINGTON

MICH. DETROIT

N. Y. METROPOLITAN

OHIO CLEVELAND

OKLA. OKLAHOMA CITY