

NATIONAL GOLF DAY GROWS INTO A WEEK

Entrants to
play Champions
against par

National Golf Week will present a choice of nine playing dates and an updated mode of competition this year to enable golfers throughout the country to establish new records in generosity.

The dates of golf's only benefit for golf, previously staged as National Golf Day, are May 29 through June 6. Entrants may play as many rounds as they wish. The entry fee for each round is \$1. The net scores will be matched against the play of the winner of the Arnold Palmer-Jay Hebert match on June 6.

Palmer, the USGA Open Champion, will meet PGA Champion Hebert at the Olympia Fields Country Club, Olympia Fields, Ill., to climax the week, in the "round of the Champion."

Bill Casper, Jr., the 1959 Open Champion, defeated Bob Rosburg, the 1959 PGA Champion, 67 to 70 last year at the Firestone Country Club, Akron, O.

Medals for the Winners

Those who beat the winner of the Palmer-Hebert match, using handicaps, will receive National Golf Week medals from the Professional Golfers' Association of America.

All men amateurs will play their normal handicaps. Ladies will be permitted to use their regular handicaps plus an additional 10 strokes, three more than they were allowed in past years. Those without handicaps may employ the Callaway system.

In 1961, for the first time, all National Golf Week participants will compete against the winner's score in relation to par rather than on a stroke-for-stroke basis. Par for the North Course at Olympia Fields, site of the 1961 PGA Championship, is 70. This revision makes it possible for players at all courses, including par-3 courses, to compete equitably.

The event is sponsored by the PGA, which turns over the net receipts to Na-

tional Golf Fund, Inc., for distribution to a number of golf projects and charities.

Lou Strong, PGA President, says "There is no other single activity conducted by the PGA which is of more importance to golf." He has asked all 4,700 PGA members as well as all golf clubs and courses in the country to cooperate in the competition.

\$800,000 Distributed

Last year's total net revenue amounted to \$61,594. Since the inception of the program, more than \$800,000 has been distributed.

Among the projects rewarded by the program is the U.S.G.A. Green Section Research and Education Fund, Inc., which received \$7,800 as a result of the 1960 National Golf Day.

A breakdown of the distribution of last year's receipts illustrates the variety of worthwhile projects served by this national golf observance. The monies available after 1960 were allocated on a broad basis of 45 per cent to golf improvement programs (educational), 25 per cent to other educational programs, such as caddie scholarship funds, and 30 per cent to other golf projects and charities.

The breakdown for 1960 was:

Caddie Scholarship Funds	\$15,000
U.S.G.A. Green Section Research and Education Fund	7,800
Jaycee War Memorial Fund (U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce)	3,000
United States Blind Golfers' Association	1,800
United Voluntary Services	3,000
PGA Educational Fund	12,000
PGA Relief Fund	3,600
PGA Benevolent Fund	3,000
Amputee Golf (Possibilities Unlimited)	3,600
Turf Research and Education Fund (Golf Course Superintendents Association)	7,200