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KNOLLWOOD COUNTRY CLUB: **A HISTORY OF CHAMPION MEMBERS**

Elmsford, New York (September 5, 2017) – As the oldest private club still in its original location in the United States, [Knollwood Country Club](#) has a rich history of champion members and families. From U.S. Amateur winners to families steeped in the archives of golf history, Knollwood's membership log reads like a who's who of American and Metropolitan golf history.

Throughout the club's 123-plus year history, Knollwood members and families who have competed on golf's highest levels include:

- H.M. Harriman – Harriman became a Knollwood member in 1896. Three years later, Harriman became the first American-born player to win the U.S. Amateur in 1899 at Onwentisia, outside of Chicago.
- The Turnesa Family – The legendary golfing family from Elmsford includes seven brothers and multiple grandchildren. Between them, the brothers won dozens of professional tour events, competed in the finals of major tournaments, made Walker and Ryder Cup teams and went head-to-head against all of golf's early legends, including Walter Hagen, Bobby Jones, Gene Sarazen and Ben Hogan. Mike Turnesa served as Knollwood's head professional for 44 years (1942-86) and also played in the inaugural Masters Tournament, along with his brother Joe, in 1934. Mike's sons, Mike Jr. and Jimmy, both were assistant pros at Knollwood under their father. Willie Turnesa was a two-time winner of the U.S. Amateur (1938 and 1948), winner of the 1947 British Amateur, and was a member of multiple Walker Cup teams. Today, Marc Turnesa, grandson of Mike, competes professionally, having won the 2008 Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open on the PGA TOUR.
- The Miller Family – Bob Miller has been Knollwood's head golf professional for the past 33 years. His father was a Knollwood member and Bob grew up playing the historic course with his brother, Craig, who is currently a member. Bob has been named "Golf Professional of the Year" by *Westchester Magazine* and was honored with the Greg Norman Collection MET PGA Professional Performance Award. Bob held the low amateur course record of 64 in 1989. Bob's son, Mike, currently plays on the Mackenzie Tour in Canada and is a two-time Metropolitan Golf Association Player of the Year. Mike Miller also holds Knollwood's professional course record of 60 and is tied

for the low amateur course record of 62 (note: legendary golfer Bobby Jones once held the amateur course record of 68 in 1929).

- Albano Family – Mike Albano literally grew up at Knollwood Country Club, having worked as a caddie when he was a teenager. Albano went on to play in two NCAA Championships with Iona College in the late 90s/early 2000s. He shares the amateur course record of 62 with Mike Miller, is a two-time club champion and has competed in the Metropolitan Open Championship. Albano now sits on the Knollwood Country Club board and has two young children enjoying the family fun at Knollwood and carrying on the great golf tradition.

In honor of its history of champion members and families, and to facilitate multiple generations of families playing golf together, Knollwood introduced Heritage Privileges. With Heritage Privileges, full golf members can add their grandparents, parents and children over the age of 25 to their membership. Heritage Privileges include access to all club amenities and golf privileges.

Knollwood Country Club recently completed an extensive course restoration. The restoration of the historic A.W. Tillinghast, Seth Raynor and Charles Banks-designed course was overseen by Ontario, Canada-based golf course architect Ian Andrew. The intent of the restoration was to adapt the design concepts of Raynor and Banks to the modern game currently being played by Knollwood members.

About Knollwood Country Club

Knollwood Country Club is located in renowned Westchester County. The 18-hole golf course was completed in 1894, making it the oldest private club still in its original location in the United States. Knollwood was also one of the first 15 clubs to join the USGA and iconic golfers frequented the club, including Francis Ouimet and Bobby Jones. The original golf course was designed by Lawrence Van Etten. In 1924, the club hired A.W. Tillinghast to expand the golf course. At Tillinghast's direction, the club purchased an additional 50 acres of adjacent land which was ultimately redesigned by Seth Raynor to add approximately 1,000 yards in length. Raynor passed away before the course was completed, so Charles Banks finished the project. The present-day course will play 6,552 yards from the championship tees. Knollwood's 18th hole has been named to *Met Golfer's* "Dream 18" as one of the finest holes in the greater New York area. The current 9th green remains from Van Etten's earliest course.

Knollwood Country Club is a Troon Privé-managed club. Members of Troon Privé-managed clubs have exclusive access to extraordinary golf and lifestyle benefits around the world. All members can choose to receive Troon Privé Connect, Troon's digital magazine developed specifically for the private clubs, as well as access to experience packages through Privileged Connections and premium tickets to sporting and concert events at the best price. Qualified members receive reciprocal access to other private clubs in the portfolio at a preferred Privé Privilege rate, and up to 50% off at Troon Golf-managed resort and daily fee facilities around the world through the Troon Advantage program.

For information on how to become a member or to book a private event or golf outing, contact Knollwood Country Club at (914) 592-7411 or visit www.kccclub.org.

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