

The US OPEN starts on Thursday 14th June, at Shinnecock Hills, NY.

It is the 2nd of our [4 armchair Major golfing challenges](#) in 2018, and is open to all members, their friends, colleagues and family, even canny pets!

HOW TO PLAY

*Use your expert knowledge, skills and plain ol' intuition** to choose one American, one GB & I player, one European, and one player from the Rest of the World, who you think will finish the highest up the Leaderboard come Sunday night.*

Each of your 4 selections will be awarded points relative to their position in the field e.g. the winner will be allocated 1 point and 30th place will be awarded 30 pts. Any player not making the cut will be given the same number of points as the first player to miss the cut i.e. if the first player missing the cut is placed 65th then all such players will receive 65 points. This same number of points will apply to all players not making the cut for whatever reason e.g. injured, didn't enter (it happens ...) etc. *The winners will be the entrants with the least number of accumulated points.*

Give Louise or her staff behind the Bar your fiver in cash and you can either give Louise the Entry form too or email in your selection - and make changes to your selection right up until the competition starts. Email me, not the Club, for the US Open, rob.corbett@btinternet.com

If you give me your email address, I will send you a full results list, as well as post it to the Social Notice Board. We pay out on the first 3 places including ties, with £3 of your £5 stake going to that Major's Pot, £1 going to the Overall Pot and £1 going to the Captain's Charity. The Pot pays out 1st = 50%, 2nd = 30% and 3rd = 20%. The OVERALL POT can be won only by those people who enter all 4 Majors

NB: It is difficult to have all 4 players miss the cut - but not impossible. Also, success in this competition does not appear to correlate with one's golfing prowess, but please, PROVE ME WRONG!

*** Note that the blindfold selection method has been extremely successful for some in the past
Why not make side bets with friends, to confirm your superior knowledge?
And, if you can't decide, why not make 2 entries? Perhaps using a pet's name??*

Notes:

1. 'GB & I' includes Eire, as in the old Ryder Cup form
2. I hope to send out the entries in a pdf file, so that a) you can check the progress of your selections (*and those of your rivals*), and b) you can check my accuracy. The results will be published on the Board or on the Club website once the entry monies have been agreed with Louise, and winners' envelopes placed ready for collection behind the Bar
3. Please pay Louise or her Bar Staff @£5 (cash) per Major. **YOU ARE ENCOURAGED to pay the full £20 covering all 4 Majors, at the start of the Challenge CASH ONLY! Incl all Prize monies**
4. Do check on <http://www.usopen.com/> for news on late changes to the field. If you don't change a player who withdraws at the last minute, he will be given the same rank as someone who misses the cut
5. **Please** let me know of errors, they aren't intended, but the essential thing to remember is that this is GOOD FUN