

Looking Ahead in 1944

The Chicago District Golf Association will stage its annual open tournament in Chicago this year. The District Association will not only again sponsor its Victory National Open, and retain the Pro-Amateur, but will also add an 18-hole Pro-Women's event.

Golf Keeps Going.

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The Women's Westchester and Fairfield Golf Association (New York), which abandoned tournament play in 1943, is planning a revival of such competitions with at least one tournament a month in the 1944 season.

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The year 1943 marked the first time golf was rated as one of the highly popular sports of the U. S. Army and Navy.

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Golf authorities estimate that more than 50,000 new golfers among men in uniform were introduced to the game this past year by practice ranges and courses at and near camps. Even war and drastic shortages can't keep the great game down.

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Frank Combs retired to French Lick, Indiana, from a hard life of farming several years ago and took up caddying at a local golf course. He is still doing the rounds of 36 holes a day carrying two bags, at the age of 86! Must be something to this golf game, even for caddies!



There Are Honest,
natural rubber "hearts" beneath many tattered and torn golf ball covers. Encourage pros and players to dig up these old balls and to turn them in. Rebuilds are the only hope for 1944 play.

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