



August 31, 2016

WEDNESDAY MEDIA ROUND-UP

Scheduled Pre-Tournament Player Interviews in the Media Centre

Thursday, September 1

Jeff Maggert – 11 a.m.

What the Pros are Saying

“I didn’t get a lot going the last time I was here, but I’m here to change that this week. I love the golf course, it’s in phenomenal shape and the people do a fantastic job running this event in all aspects. It is a great venue! Things have just been phenomenal out here. It is a beautiful place.”
...Bernhard Langer

“I heard from the pros themselves. You always listen to the guys who have played here. What kind of course is it, how do they treat you, just the normal things you ask about a tournament. I got rave reviews about the golf course (Canyon Meadows). It is a really good golf course. It’s a tight driving golf course on the front nine especially; you have to drive the ball very straight. But the course is in wonderful condition. They shoot I guess pretty low scores here, but man, you had better drive the ball straight here or you’re going to be underneath those pine trees chipping out if you have a backswing. It’s a good golf course, it has a lot of variety to it. I’m happy to be here.”
...Tom Watson

“The reason I’m out there – I’ve said it constantly in my later years that I still love to compete, and if I can compete successfully, I’ll still compete, I’ll still stay out here. I don’t play that many tournaments. I’ve been there and done that, but I like to play and I like to prepare for playing the tournaments, getting my game in shape when I’m home to come out to a tournament.”
...Tom Watson

MEG Energy to Host FREE Junior Golf Clinic on Friday

The Shaw Charity Classic and MEG Energy will team up to celebrate junior golf in Calgary by hosting a Junior Clinic (for anyone 17 and under). The clinic will be led by PGA TOUR Champions professionals, Brian Heninger and Grant Waite, on the Upper Driving Range, Friday at 3:30 p.m.

After watching PGA Tour Champions professional demonstrate various golf skills, junior golfers will have an opportunity to pick up a club themselves and receive brief personal instruction from Alberta Golf professionals at the driving range.

Friday’s Featured First Round Pairings – Split Tees at 9:35 a.m.

Tee #1

9:45 a.m. Rod Spittle, Stephen Ames, Glen Day

11:15 a.m. Rocco Mediate, Jeff Maggert, Colin Montgomerie



11:25 a.m. Bernhard Langer, Tom Watson, Mark O'Meara
11:35 a.m. Michael Allen, Tom Pernice Jr., John Daly

Did You Know...

Tom Watson will turn 67 on Sunday. He has shot better than his age once in each of the last three years with two rounds at 65 and one at 63.

The Canyon Meadows Golf and Country Club has yielded two rounds at 61 in the tournament's three-year history. Fred Couples posted the 9-under-par round in the final round of the 2014 event, while Miguel Angel Jimenez matched the course record score last year; Bernhard Langer's 29th career win last week on the PGA TOUR Champions tied him with Lee Trevino for second on the all-time list. Hale Irwin has the most career wins on the PGA TOUR Champions with 45 victories.

Forerun the Final Round – Olympic Medallist, TOUR Pros to Lead Birdies for Kids Champions Run

Olympic bronze medallist in the 4x100 metre relay, Akeem Haynes, will join PGA TOUR Champions pro, Scott McCarron and his wife Jenny Klein, to forerun the final round on Sunday with Calgarians participating in the unique five-kilometre SAP Birdies for Kids Champions run, presented by AltaLink.

Running enthusiasts will have the opportunity to join McCarron, Haynes and other Tour pros – who will be the official starters of the run. Jenny will lead the morning run and walk alongside the fairways of Canyon Meadows Golf Country Club prior to Sunday's final round.

The run, which will begin at 7:30 a.m., winds its way in and around the golf course. A traditional pancake breakfast will be prepared for all participants once they cross the finish line, and their guests. Race kits include a Birdies for Kids Champions Run t-shirt, water bottle, unique race bib, pancake breakfast and a ticket to the final round of the tournament. Runners' guests are also encouraged to come down and cheer on the participants.

All proceeds generated from the run will go to the Birdies for Kids, presented by AltaLink, matching pool to support 113 children and youth-based charities across Alberta.

Shaw Charity Classic Radar:

- The final RBC Championship Pro-Am will be held on Thursday. Tee times will begin at 7:30 a.m. (Tee Times Attached)
- All three rounds of the Shaw Charity Classic will be tape delayed on the Golf Channel from 5-7 p.m. MTN.



Tournament Information:

Event web site – www.shawcharityclassic.com

Champions Tour information - <http://pgatourgolfmedia.com> (must login)

Ticket Information:

Tickets, hospitality and sponsorship packages for the Shaw Charity Classic are available online at www.shawcharityclassic.com. Youth 17-and-under are admitted free with a ticketed adult.

General Spectator Parking:

Complimentary shuttle busses to the Shaw Charity Classic will run from the Anderson LRT Station. No ticket or pass is required to take the shuttle. Shuttles will operate from 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m., August 31 – September 1, and from 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. September 2-4.

About the Shaw Charity Classic

The Shaw Charity Classic will host some of the greatest names in the game of golf in Calgary at the Canyon Meadows Golf and Country Club, August 31 – September 4, 2016. The field, which will consist of 81 stars on the PGA TOUR Champions, will compete for US \$2.35 million in a three-round, 54-hole stroke-play tournament. The winner will receive US \$352,500 and 352 Charles Schwab Cup Points. The only annual PGA TOUR Champions stop in Canada will showcase Calgary to the world through its broadcast on the Golf Channel. Led by a philanthropic Patron Group including Tournament Chairman – Clay Riddell, Vice Chairman – Allan Markin, Keith MacPhail, Jim Riddell, Guy Turcotte, Gary Peddle and PGA Tour Professional – Stephen Ames, along with title sponsor, Shaw Communications, the Shaw Charity Classic won the PGA TOUR Champions prestigious President’s Award in 2015 and 2014. The Tournament has raised more than \$8.5 million in its first three years, with a PGA TOUR Champions record setting donation of \$3,942,712 raised in 2015 that was distributed amongst 99 youth-based charities in Alberta. For more information on the event, please visit www.shawcharityclassic.com. Follow the Shaw Charity Classic at [facebook.com/shawcharityclassic](https://www.facebook.com/shawcharityclassic) and on Twitter @shawclassic. The Shaw Charity Classic is managed by Bruno Event Team and Shaw Communications Inc.