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**One Dozen International Stars Ready for Battle at 2022 Shaw Charity Classic Presented by Suncor**  
**—Miguel Angel Jimenez, Robert Allenby, Stuart Appleby, Jesper Parnevik, Robert Karlsson, Alex Cejka, K.J. Choi, Y.E. Yang, David Frost, Paul Broadhurst, Jerry Kelly and Thongchai Jaidee to bring flags from around the world—**

**CALGARY**—The Spanish flag carried by “The Most Interesting Man in Golf” will be one of 13 flags from around the globe soaring above the putting green at Canyon Meadows Golf and Country Club when the stars of the PGA TOUR Champions descend on Calgary for the 2022 Shaw Charity Classic presented by Suncor, August 5-7.

**Miguel Angel Jimenez (Spain), Robert Allenby and Stuart Appleby (Australia), Jesper Parnevik and Robert Karlsson (Sweden), Alex Cejka (Czech Republic), K.J. Choi and Y.E. Yang (South Korea), David Frost (South Africa), Paul Broadhurst (England), Jerry Kelly (United States), and Thongchai Jaidee** – a PGA TOUR Champions rookie from **Thailand** – will add to the international flare that will be on display for Calgary golf fans during the 10th anniversary of Canada’s lone PGA TOUR Champions stop.

“Calgary has an uncanny ability to attract the top stars from around the world regardless of the event, and the Shaw Charity Classic is no different,” said Sean Van Kesteren, executive director, Shaw Charity Classic. “The Shaw Charity Classic offers so much more than a great golf course to the best players on Tour. The beauty of the Rocky Mountains, world-class fishing and activities on the Bow River, along with our unique cowboy culture, first class restaurants and friendly hospitality all play a critical role in attracting the top senior golfers beyond North America to our tournament.”

The 12 additions to the star-studded tee sheet represent 13 nations. Previous announced names include **Padraig Harrington (Ireland), Colin Montgomerie (Scotland), Vijay Singh (Fiji)** along with **Canadian hosts Stephen Ames and Mike Weir**.

**Miguel Angel Jimenez** will be on a birdie-seeking mission in Calgary while firing up cigars, sporting his trademark ponytail and hunting down his third victory of the season.

“All of the titles are very important because it shows how you are playing at that moment,” said the 58-year-old Jimenez. “I’m still playing well. I’m still hitting the ball the same distance from the tee and I’m still enjoying myself on the golf course. I still feel competitive and I still feel I can compete with the young guys so it is still a lot of fun.”

The four-time European Ryder Cup Team member racked up 21 victories throughout his career on the European Tour. In his four trips to Calgary, the colourful Spaniard has been a hit with the fans on and off the golf course. After matching a course-record 61 in his second round of the 2015 Shaw Charity Classic, he headed into the clubhouse, put on the chef’s apron and hat, and whipped up fresh prawns for spectators while drinking some fine wine. Jimenez’s highest finish in Calgary was second at the 2017 Shaw Charity Classic.

**Jesper Parnevik** will make his fifth trip to Calgary since turning 50. A five-time winner on the PGA TOUR before battling a series of injuries, the Swede captured his only PGA TOUR Champions win in 2015 at the In斯perity Invitational in The Woodlands, TX. Sweden’s **Robert Karlsson** will make his first trip to Calgary.

“This is such a beautiful part of the world and I always love playing in Canada. I would not miss this tournament,” said Parnevik. “The golf course is beautiful, really tight with lots of Christmas trees on either side of the fairways. You gotta keep it in play, and if you do, anything can happen. It’s going to be a great week.”

Two of South Korea’s top golfers will make their first trip to Calgary. **K.J. Choi** won eight times on the PGA TOUR before turning 50 last year. He will be joined by **Y.E. Yang**, who came from behind to defeat Tiger Woods to win



the 2009 PGA Championship.

Australia's **Robert Allenby** and **Stuart Appleby** will also be searching for their first victory against the 50+ crowd when they tee it up in August. Allenby won four times on the PGA TOUR, while Appleby racked up nine titles in his career. Both of them represented the International squad five times at the Presidents Cup.

**Alex Cejka** will fly the flag of the Czech Republic into the international showdown. Cejka's two victories on the PGA TOUR Champions were both majors during his rookie season last year.

Last month the Shaw Charity Classic announced World Golf Hall of Famer, **Retief Goosen**, would return north. He will be joined by fellow South African, **David Frost**, who has taken in all the beauty the City of Calgary has to offer between tee times in his seven previous starts. In past trips, Frost and his wife have blasted down the Olympic bobsleigh track in Calgary and taken multiple trips to Banff.

"Calgary creates the stage that all professional golfers want to play in front of. There are thousands of people watching us at Canyon Meadows every year regardless of the weather conditions, and that makes this tournament enjoyable to play," said Frost, who had the first round lead in 2016. "I have played really well in Calgary over the years and have had a lot of fun there. Hopefully I'll get the crowd to make some noise with a good week again this year."

Six-time PGA TOUR Champions winner, **England's Paul Broadhurst**, will look to get back into the winner's circle. He will have to hold off one of the hottest new additions to the senior circuit in **Thongchai Jaidee (Thailand)** and **Jerry Kelly** of the **United States**. Jaidee, who didn't turn professional until he was 30 years old, won the Order of Merit on the Asian Tour three times during his career thanks to 13 victories. He also won eight times on the European Tour, and captured his first win on the PGA TOUR Champions one month ago.

Fresh off winning his second Senior PGA Championship title on the PGA TOUR Champions last week, Jerry Kelly will look to add another title in Canada to his growing resume. The three-time winner on the PGA TOUR won the 2017 PGA TOUR Champions stop in Victoria.

Single-day General Admission tickets for tournament play August 5-7, 2022, that are purchased in advance for the award-winning tournament will cost \$10 while upgraded Clubhouse tickets purchased in advance will be only \$30 (plus GST and fees). Juniors 12 and under are admitted **FREE** when accompanied by a ticketed adult. The deadline to purchase advanced tickets is July 31, 2022, at 11:59 PM MT. The RBC Championship Pro-Am (August 3-4, 2022) will also be **FREE** for spectators to attend.

Limited quantities of advance General Admission and Clubhouse tickets are available for purchase at [www.shawcharityclassic.com](http://www.shawcharityclassic.com).

#### **About the Shaw Charity Classic Presented by Suncor**

The Shaw Charity Classic presented by Suncor will host some of the greatest names in the game of golf in Calgary at the Canyon Meadows Golf and Country Club, August 1-7, 2022. The field, which will consist of 78 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. The annual PGA TOUR Champions stop in Canada showcases Calgary to the world through its broadcast on the Golf Channel. Led by a philanthropic Patron Group including Tournament Chairman – Jim Riddell, Allan Markin, Keith MacPhail, Guy Turcotte, Gary Peddle, Mike Culbert and PGA Tour Professional – Stephen Ames, along with title sponsor, Shaw Communications, the Shaw Charity Classic presented by Suncor won the prestigious President's Award as the top event on the PGA TOUR Champions in 2017, 2015 and 2014. The



 Tournament has raised more than \$76 million in its first nine years that has been distributed amongst more than 233 youth-based charities in Alberta. For more information on the event, please visit [www.shawcharityclassic.com](http://www.shawcharityclassic.com). Follow the Shaw Charity Classic at [facebook.com/shawcharityclassic](https://facebook.com/shawcharityclassic) and on Twitter [@shawclassic](https://twitter.com/shawclassic).

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