



April 29 – May 5, 2019
The Woodlands Country Club Tournament Course
The Woodlands, TX
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,025 Purse: \$2,200,000

April 30, 2019

TUESDAY - INSIDE THE INSPERITY INVITATIONAL

Defending Champion Bernhard Langer to Meet with Media Wednesday, Retief Goosen and Tom Watson Thursday

Four-time Insperity Invitational winner, Bernhard Langer, is set to defend his 2018 title against the strongest field ever assembled in The Woodlands. The reigning champion, who will be gunning for his 40th career win on the PGA TOUR Champions, will meet with media on Wednesday, May 1 at 12 noon in the Media Center.

PGA TOUR Champions rookie, Retief Goosen, will meet with media on Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in advance of making his debut at the Insperity Invitational. World Golf Hall of Fame Member, Tom Watson, is making his first trip back to The Woodlands since 2009 and will stop into the interview room following his Pro-Am round at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Nancy Lopez Hosts Breakfast Thursday

The presence of golf's greats will be felt throughout the week at the Insperity Invitational while attending a number of special events including the second annual Breakfast with Champions to benefit children from Inspiration Ranch, May 2 at 8 a.m.

A World Golf Hall of Fame Member, Lopez racked up 48 wins on the LPGA TOUR including three major titles.

Lopez will join special champions from Insperity Ranch for a memorable breakfast at the golf course on Thursday.

Tickets to have breakfast with one of the greatest female golfers ever to play can be purchased at www.insperityinvitational.com for \$800 (table of eight). Individual seats are also available for \$100.

Wednesday's Featured Pro-Am Tee Times (Tee Times Attached)

7:20 a.m. Mark Calcavecchia (Tee #1)

8:00 a.m. Darren Clarke (Tee #1)

9:20 a.m. John Daly (Tee #10)

12:30 p.m. Paul Lawrie (Tee #10)

12:40 p.m. Fred Funk (Tee #1)

Did You Know?

- Bernhard Langer's first win on the PGA TOUR Champions came at the 2007 Insperity Invitational. This week he'll be vying for his 40th career victory;
- Four major champions, Vijay Singh, Retief Goosen, Jose Maria Olazabal and Darren Clarke, will all make their first appearance at the Insperity Invitational;
- 24 players in the field have won a PGA TOUR Champions major, 20 hold a PGA TOUR major title;

Ladies Legends Join 3M Greats of Golf Set on Saturday

Four of golf's greatest women, Annika Sorenstam, Juli Inkster, Nancy Lopez and Pat Bradley, will partner up with the Golden Bear, Black Knight and Merry Mex along with nine other of the game's best for the 3M Greats of Golf Competition on May 4 – an annual tradition held in conjunction with the second round of the Insperity Invitational presented by UnitedHealthcare.

Golf's greats have been coming to The Woodlands Country Club Tournament Course for a special Saturday competition for the last seven years.

The four women have combined to win 186 times on the LPGA TOUR including 26 major titles. Annika leads the way with 72 LPGA victories, including 10 major championships and was the LPGA TOUR player of the year eight times before retiring in 2008. Nancy Lopez racked up 48 wins on the TOUR and three major titles. With seven major victories, Juli Inkster is the only player in LPGA TOUR history to win two majors in a decade for three straight decades. Inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame in 2000, Inkster won 31 times on TOUR. Pat Bradley was welcomed into the World Golf Hall of Fame in 1991 – capping off a season where she won her second Player of the Year title. Bradley won 35 times on the women's TOUR including six major titles.

The one dozen men who will come together in Southern Texas have amassed 182 PGA TOUR titles, 51 major victories and 119 wins on the PGA TOUR Champions.

Annika will be paired up with Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player and Lee Trevino. Pat Bradley will tee it up with Tom Weiskopf, David Graham and Tony Jacklin. Nancy Lopez will join forces with Dave Stockton, Larry Nelson and Hale Irwin, while Juli Inkster will team up with Fuzzy Zoeller, Ben Crenshaw and Bill Rogers.

Tee times will begin around 12:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Insperty Invitational Delivers Interactive Golf App

The Insperty Invitational has once again teamed up with Steve Elkington and Secret Golf to take the fan experience to create the Insperty Interactive Golf App.

The App includes detailed course strategy at The Woodlands Country Club Tournament Course from Steve Elkington - a winner of 10 PGA TOUR events that includes two Players Championships and the 1995 PGA Championship.

Developed in partnership with Best Approach and StrackaLine, the App includes a GPS-enabled yardage guide with superb graphics and flyovers by Best Approach, Inc. as well as an innovative Putt Predictor from StrackaLine, Inc., allowing fans both at the event and at home, to see which way and how balls will move on a green before professionals make a putting stroke. Daily pairings, contests and spectator information along with push notifications from sponsors can also be found in this innovative and exciting new approach to watching professional golf.

For a preview on the Insperty Interactive Golf App:

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/insperity-interactive-golf/id1367976674?mt=8>

Insperty Invitational Radar;

- The Junior Pro-Am will tee off on the Tournament Course on Tuesday at 1 p.m.;
- The Woodforest National Bank Pro-Am will be held on Wednesday and Thursday which will include the majority of the Insperty Invitational field. Tee times will be made available on Tuesday;
- The 16th annual Insperty Invitational presented by UnitedHealthcare will be contested Friday, May 3 to Sunday, May 5. Tee times on Friday begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday's round starts at 7 a.m., while Sunday's round is at 7:30 a.m. (all times approximate);
- The Insperty Invitational benefits local Houston charities. A "PINK OUT" will take place on Saturday, May 4 in support of breast cancer awareness. **All spectators are encouraged to show their support and wear pink on Saturday.**

Tournament Information:

Event web site – www.insperityinvitational.com

Field List – <https://insperityinvitational.com/tournament-information/player-field/>

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

Ticket and Parking Information:

The Insperty Invitational offers free grounds only admission tickets courtesy of Insperty, and Woodforest National Bank.

The grounds ticket also includes free parking and shuttle service. General public parking will be at Woodforest Bank Stadium located at 19115 David Memorial Dr, Shenandoah, TX 77385. For updated information on all aspects of the Insperity Invitational, fans are encouraged to visit www.insperityinvitational.com.

About the Insperity Invitational presented by UnitedHealthcare

A PGA TOUR Champions event, the Insperity Invitational presented by UnitedHealthcare features the world's premier golfers age 50 and older. Last year's tournament winner, Bernhard Langer, will be returning to the Insperity Invitational to defend his title April 29-May 5, 2019. Managed and operated by Pro Links Sports, in 2008, the tournament received the prestigious Presidents Award as the best event on the Champions Tour, and in 2011 received the President's Award for Excellence in Achievement. In 2012 and 2015, the tournament received The Players Award for having the "best of everything" for the players, sponsors and spectators. Interfaith of The Woodlands, one of the local charities benefitting from the tournament, was named the 2016 PGA TOUR Champions Charity of the Year. The Insperity Invitational is grateful to have support from these official corporate partners: Woodforest National Bank, 3M, United Airlines, Northside Imports Houston – Alfa Romeo, Keurig Dr Pepper, Bai, National Car Rental, Sports Radio 610, 9 Iron Wines, Houston Chronicle, Texas Sports Nation, Miller Lite, Shiner Bock and Vander Dys Fine Jewelers. Past champions include Larry Nelson, Jay Haas, Mark McNulty, four-time winner Bernhard Langer, John Cook, Fred Couples, Brad Faxon, Fred Funk, Esteban Toledo, Ian Woosnam and John Daly. For more information about the Tradition of Excellence at the Insperity Invitational, visit www.insperityinvitational.com, on Instagram @insperityinvitational, Twitter @InsperityInvtnl, or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/InsperityInvitational.

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