



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

May 1, 2019

WEDNESDAY - INSIDE THE INSPIERTY INVITATIONAL

Retief Goosen and Tom Watson To Visit Media Center on Thursday

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 Insperty 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 Insperty 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 Insperty 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.

Four-Time Champion Bernhard Langer Looks Forward to Defending Insperty Invitational Title

"It's always fun coming back to a place where you've done well. This is a wonderful facility, great golf course. I'm certainly thrilled to be back here defending my title."

"It's going to take a lot of great golf (to win for a fifth time). That's usually what it takes any week, but with the field they have, even more so. The golf course we play and the windy conditions we're probably going to have, will be a real test of anybody and everybody's ability in all aspects, from driving the ball to hitting good iron shots in windy conditions and then making putts."

"We always have good fast greens here. Putting is the most important thing of any victory. You've got to putt well on any golf course. And I'm a much better putter in general on fast greens and bermuda greens because I've lived in Florida now for a long time. Water comes into play big time and you just have to hit a gutsy shot, you've got to commit to something and pull it off. It really is a demanding golf course on at least eight or 10 holes."

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

8:30 a.m. Mark O'Meara (Tee #1)
9:00 a.m. Vijay Singh (Tee #1)
9:10 a.m. Jose Maria Olazabal (Tee #10)
9:20 a.m. Hale Irwin (Tee #1)
9:30 a.m. Tom Watson (Tee #1)
9:30 a.m. Colin Montgomerie (Tee #10)
12:30 p.m. Bernhard Langer (Tee #1)
12:30 p.m. John Daly (Tee #10)
12:50 p.m. Retief Goosen (Tee #1)

1:30 p.m. Miguel Angel Jimenez

Annika Sorenstam, Nancy Lopez, Pat Bradley, Juli Inkster, Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player, Lee Trevino to Meet with Media Saturday

Media will have the opportunity to interview Annika Sorenstam, Nancy Lopez, Pat Bradley, Juli Inkster, Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player and Lee Trevino on Saturday prior to competing in the annual 3M Greats of Golf competition.

The seven World Golf Hall of Famers will be in the Media Center beginning at the following times:

10:30 a.m. – Annika Sorenstam, Nancy Lopez, Pat Bradley, Juli Inkster

10:45 a.m. – Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player, Lee Trevino

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

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.

Did You Know?

- Hometown boy, Jeff Maggert, has finished tied for second at both the 2018 and 2016 Insperity Invitational, and in the top-10 in four of his five appearances;
- Bernhard Langer led wire-to-wire at the 2018 tournament;
- John Daly (2017), Jesper Parnevik (2016), Ian Woosnam (2015), Esteban Toledo (2013) and Brad Faxon (2011) all captured their first PGA TOUR Champions win at the Insperity Invitational.

Insperity Invitational Delivers Interactive Golf App

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

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

Insperity Invitational Radar::

- The final Woodforest National Bank Pro-Am will be held Thursday which will include the majority of the Insperity Invitational field.
- The 16th annual Insperity 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 Insperity 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 Insperity Invitational offers free grounds only admission tickets courtesy of Insperity, 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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