



**The Woodlands Country Club Tournament Course  
The Woodlands, TX  
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,025 Purse: \$2,300,000**

**April 28, 2022**

**Thursday - INSIDE THE INSPERITY INVITATIONAL**

**Annika Sorenstam, Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player and Lee Trevino to Visit Media Center Saturday at 11 a.m.**

Media will have an opportunity to interview Annika Sorenstam, Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player and Lee Trevino in the Media Center on Saturday, April 30, at 11 a.m. in advance of playing in the ninth annual 3M Greats of Golf competition.

The legendary foursome will be amongst a distinguished group of players who have combined for 232 PGA TOUR victories, 155 LPGA TOUR victories, 78 major championship titles, and 158 PGA TOUR Champions wins.

The 16 players will be grouped in the following foursomes and will play a nine-hole scramble format beginning on the 10th tee at 2:30 p.m.

<b>Team 1</b>	<b>Team 2</b>	<b>Team 3</b>	<b>Team 4</b>
Annika Sorenstam*	Pat Bradley*	Laura Davies*	Juli Inkster*
Jack Nicklaus*	David Graham*	Dave Stockton	Ben Crenshaw*
Gary Player*	Tony Jacklin*	Larry Nelson*	Bill Rogers
Lee Trevino*	Tom Kite*	Hale Irwin*	Fuzzy Zoeller

**\*Denotes World Golf Hall of Fame Member**

**John Daly Goes Head to Head in Long Drive Competition against 12 Houston Area Residents**

The Insperity Invitational will host a Grip It and Rip It Fuzzy’s Vodka Outdrive John Daly Competition – giving 12 Houston area residents the chance to outdrive the two-time major winner on Friday, April 29 at The Woodlands Country Club Tournament Course.

Emceed by Fuzzy himself, the 12 contestants will each have three chances to outdrive John Daly on the driving range immediately following the former Insperity Invitational champion’s opening round. Contestants hitting order will be determined during a meet and greet with Daly just prior to teeing it up. The contestant with the longest drive, who outdrives John Daly, will win a trip for two to play golf at Fuzzy Zoeller’s home course in Southern Indiana and have dinner with Fuzzy. The trip includes airfare, lodging, golf and dinner with Fuzzy.

Contestants earned a spot in Friday’s finals by winning one of a selection of local qualifiers held at public and private golf venues.

**What the Pros are Saying in Advance of their Insperity Invitational Debut**

**Steve Stricker is Back!**

“I’m very excited to be back. I haven’t played a PGA TOUR Champions event here yet, but I came to The Woodlands early on in my career and played here when the Tour was here in the 90s. So I’m excited to be here. I’m excited to be playing and excited to be playing competitively again. It’s been a long road, but I’m feeling better and excited to be here.”

“Just seeing the guys. The competition, too, is what I’ve missed also. These are a lot of the guys that I’m friends with and have grown up playing professionally with. I just literally got here, but I’ve seen a few of the guys already, and a few hugs. It’s been a while since I’ve seen a lot of these guys. And a lot of them, to be quite honest, checked in with me

periodically throughout my whole ordeal, so that means a lot to see these guys. I can't wait to get out there.”

“I don't know about my game is ready, but I'm ready to be here. I'm ready to be here physically. I've just got to see where I'm at and see how I feel, if I can put three days together on a golf course walking. I'm just trying to get the ball rolling. I'm just trying to see what I have, game, health, stamina, all that stuff. I come in here hoping to play well, I'm going to try to play well. That's the competitiveness in me, I guess.”

#### ***Padraig Harrington Searches for First PGA TOUR Champions Victory***

“It's a nice golf course, interesting course. There's plenty of water on it. In terms of for my own game, takes the driver out of my hands a few too many times. The times you do hit the driver, you've got to do good off the tee here, you can do well. You can take the golf course on if you drive it well here. It breaks the back of the golf course if you drive it well, so that's kind of what you've got to do.”

“It's amazing, most of the guys when they come back out here, they seem to reset who they are. They find their place, the same place that they probably had on the PGA TOUR they find out here again.”

“I'm enjoying it out here. It's obviously a lot more relaxed. A few injuries, so I'm very happy that I can play in a cart and just take it a little easier during the week. 54 holes is good for me. “There's a lot of good things about being on the PGA TOUR Champions.”

“You got to hole the putts. Hopefully, being out on this Tour I'll create more opportunities and start holing a few more putts and start feeling good about my putting.”

#### **Friday's Featured First Round Pairings**

11:02 a.m. Steve Stricker, Fred Couples, Mark O'Meara

11:12 a.m. Jay Haas, David Duval, Scott McCarron

11:44 a.m. Retief Goosen, Ernie Els, Bernhard Langer

12:05 p.m. Jim Furyk, David Toms, Colin Montgomerie

#### **Annika to Host Girls Golf Clinic on Sunday**

The Insperty Invitational is thrilled to partner with the Annika Foundation to offer young girls the opportunity to learn from one of the best golfers to ever play the game, Annika Sorenstam. The 50 girls (ages 6-14) selected to attend the 'Share My Passion Girls Golf Clinic' were asked to record a video or write an 'open letter' to Annika telling her why they love golf and why other girls should learn how to play. The event – which will consist of lunch in the clubhouse, a clinic with Annika followed by a question and answer session, before watching the final round together – will be held on Sunday, May 1 at The Woodlands Country Club Tournament Course.

#### **Fill the Hill – Free Admission and Shuttle Service**

The Insperty Invitational presented by UnitedHealthcare offers **FREE** grounds only admission tickets courtesy of Insperty, Woodforest National Bank, and Hewlett Packard Enterprise. Spectators are encouraged to **“Fill the Hill”** around the 18th green. The grounds ticket also includes free parking and shuttle service. General public parking will be as follows: **FRIDAY** – The Church Project 602 Pruitt Road in The Woodlands, and **SATURDAY & SUNDAY** – the Green, Yellow and Orange lots on Timberloch between Six Pines Drive and Grogan's Mill in The Woodlands.

#### **Insperty Invitational Radar::**

- The 19th annual Insperty Invitational presented by UnitedHealthcare will be contested Friday, April 29 to Sunday, May 1. Tee times on Friday begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday's round starts at 7:30 a.m., while Sunday's round is at 8:00 a.m. (all times approximate);
- The Insperty Invitational benefits local Houston charities. A **“PINK OUT”** will take place on Saturday, April 30 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](http://www.insperityinvitational.com)

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

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

**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. With the support of its Official Sponsors: Woodforest National Bank, Hewlett Packard Enterprise, 3M, Alfa Romeo, Pepsi, Sports Radio 610, National Car Rental, Vander Dys Fine Jewelers and Horse Soldier Bourbon Whiskey, the Insperity Invitational presented by UnitedHealthcare is 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. 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, John Daly, Scott McCarron and Mike Weir. For more information about the Tradition of Excellence at the Insperity Invitational, visit [www.insperityinvitational.com](http://www.insperityinvitational.com), on Instagram @insperityinvitational, Twitter @InsperityInvntnl, or on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/InsperityInvitational](http://www.facebook.com/InsperityInvitational).

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