



Canadian PGA Seniors' Championship returns to Ottawa area

Acton, ON (May 10, 2005) The Canadian PGA announced today the 2005 Canadian PGA Seniors' Championship will be played August 4 – 5 at Brookstreet Resort in Ottawa, Ontario.

Brookstreet Resort's The Marshes Golf Club is one of the Nation's Capital premier golf destinations and leading corporate-play facility. The Robert Trent Jones II design was opened for public play in 2001 and has garnered many accolades. The course which stretches over 7,000 yards includes 6 par 3's, six par 4's and six par 5's.

"Considerable sculpting was required to create the gently rolling, rocky and tree-studded landscape," remarks Bruce Charleston, RTJ2 President and Chief Design Officer.

Course owner and Canadian Entrepreneur Terence Matthews is thrilled about hosting a Canadian PGA National Championship.

"I am delighted that the Canadian PGA Seniors' Championship will be held at Brookstreet Resort. This is a historic national championship and to host this in Ottawa is a great honour for me," stated Matthews. "My colleagues and I plan to make this event the premier annual showcase of Canadian PGA Senior professionals and we are looking forward to welcoming a great field of well known players from across the country to our world-class Robert Trent Jones facilities."

The championship will be held at Brookstreet Resort through 2006 with a long term option available, that could eventually see the course becoming the permanent home for the Championship.

"Following from my success at attracting the 2010 Ryder Cup to The Celtic Manor Resort in the UK, this is a great start to raising the profile of Brookstreet Resort for professional sporting events in Canada," added Matthews.

Ottawa has been an historic venue for the Seniors', having been played in the region a total of 6 times since 1938. The last time it was played in Ottawa was 2002 where Gar Hamilton was victorious at the Carleton Golf & Yacht Club.

"We are excited to return to the Ottawa area and The Marshes will surely test the skills of our competitors," added Al Scott, President of the Canadian PGA. "Each year, our tournament showcases some of our best CPGA Professionals from coast to coast and this year should be no different."

The Canadian PGA Seniors' Championship is a two-day, 36-hole individual stroke play competition open to Canadian PGA Professionals age fifty and older. The total purse is 50,000. The Super Senior (sixty and older) and Diamond (seventy and older) divisions will be contested as well over 36 holes.

Deadline for entry to the Canadian PGA Seniors' Championship is July 22, 2005 at 4:00 pm EST. Roster and tee times will be made available on www.cpga.com.



Tournament History

The Canadian PGA Seniors' Championship was first played in 1938 as a division of the Canadian PGA Championship. In 1973, the Seniors' Championship became an independent event and has stayed that way ever since. Among the Canadian golf legends to win this championship are Stan Leonard, Moe Norman, Bob Panasik and Al Balding. Norman won this championship a record seven straight years from 1979 to 1985 while Balding stunned the golf world by winning the championship at age 76 in 2000.

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About the Canadian PGA

Established in 1911, the Canadian Professional Golfers' Association is a non-profit Association comprised of approximately 3,300 golf professionals across the country with a mandate to promote and advance the game of golf serving the needs of both its membership and golfing public through professional development programs, junior golf involvement and high-caliber competitive events. The national office is located in Acton, Ontario with nine Zone Offices across the country. For more information, visit www.cpga.com.

About Brookstreet Resort

Brookstreet Resort is Ottawa's premier, four-diamond boutique hotel and golf resort featuring a full-service spa, four-diamond restaurant and the championship Marshes Golf Club, with state-of-the-art GPS-equipped carts. Located in the heart of Silicon Valley North, The Marshes, designed by Robert Trent Jones II, is Ottawa's leading corporate-play facility, bringing one of the Nation's finest golf experiences to the very doorstep of the city's high-tech community. The Marshes Golf Club features breathtaking fairways, gentle streams and crystal-blue lakes weaving through modern towers of glass and steel—all against the distant backdrop of the Gatineau Hills, twenty minutes from downtown Ottawa. For more information, visit www.brookstreetresort.com.