



Kenny Perry to Defend ACE Group Classic Title

Volunteers Still Needed, Fifth Third Bank Continues Support of Volunteers, New VIP On-Site Parking Option

NAPLES, FL (JAN 15 , 2013) – With the Champions Tour kicking off the season this week in Hawaii and the 26th Annual ACE Group Classic exactly one month away, tournament officials announced Kenny Perry will return to Naples to defend his ACE Group Classic title at The TwinEagles Club.

“Kenny has clearly had a lot of success in Naples having both the ACE Group Classic and the Shootout last year, so we’re excited to have him return,” said Tournament Director Lesley Baker. “The combination of great crowds and great weather and the perfect course conditions at TwinEagles have always been big draws for the Tour players.”

Tournament officials are also encouraging Southwest Florida residents to volunteer as there are still open positions on a variety of committees. Golf knowledge is not required to volunteer and families and friends are encouraged to participate.

“Our volunteers play a crucial role in the success of The ACE Group Classic,” Baker said. “Without their passion and dedication we could not have become one of the longest-running events on Tour and one of the player’s favorites. Anyone interested in supporting the community and interacting with some of golf’s legends should try volunteering.”

Each volunteer receives an official tournament golf shirt, headwear, volunteer badge valid for week-long tournament access, four weekly grounds badges and complimentary lunch each day through the support of Fifth Third Bank who will provide these benefits to over 700 volunteers.

“We look forward to The ACE Group Classic every year,” said David Call, president and CEO of Fifth Third Bank (South Florida). “Not only do we get to showcase the beauty of Southwest Florida and some great golf but we also get to share the outstanding support of our community with the many guests, families and fans that attend.”

Daily tickets (valid any one day Tuesday – Sunday) for \$25, as well as individual week-long grounds passes (valid Tuesday – Sunday) for \$50 are available for purchase. Children 17 and under are admitted free all week with a ticketed adult.

All ticket options and parking passes are available online at www.acegroupclassic.com or by calling (239) 593-3900. Parking passes will also be on sale at the PGA TOUR Superstore in Naples. On-site VIP parking passes which includes valet parking at the TwinEagles Clubhouse are available for \$45 a day or \$115 for a weekly pass, valid all week, Tuesday-Sunday. General parking passes can also be purchased for \$5 in advance of tournament week (\$7 at the gate) valid any day, Friday-Sunday.

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About The TwinEagles Club

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Collectively, the Champions Tour has the most recognizable and accomplished players in the game with many of its 30 members of the World Golf Hall of Fame competing regularly in its events and numerous other major championship winners among its members. The Champions Tour is a membership organization of professional golfers age 50 and older. Conceived in 1980 as the Senior PGA Tour, it started with just four events and purses totaling \$475,000. Points earned in 26 official Charles Schwab Cup events in 2013 will determine the Charles Schwab Cup champion, the season-long competition designed to recognize the Champions Tour's leading player. The Champions Tour's primary purpose is to provide financial opportunities for its players, entertain and inspire its fans, deliver substantial value to its partners, create outlets for volunteers to give back, protect the integrity of the game and generate significant charitable and economic impact in communities in which it plays. In 2012, tournaments on all five Tours (PGA TOUR, Champions Tour, Web.com Tour, PGA TOUR Latinoamerica, PGA TOUR Canada) generated more than \$122 million for local charitable organizations, bringing the TOUR's all-time total of charitable contributions to more than \$1.8 billion. The Commissioner of the PGA TOUR is Tim Finchem. Mike Stevens is President of the Champions Tour. The PGA TOUR's website is pgatour.com, the No. 1 site in golf, and the organization is headquartered in Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. Follow the Champions Tour at Facebook.com/Champions Tour and on Twitter @ChampionsTour.



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