



Tom Watson Returns to The ACE Group Classic

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NAPLES, Fla. (JAN. 14, 2014) – World Golf Hall of Fame Member Tom Watson highlights the list of seven Hall of Famers added to The ACE Group Classic field today. The Official Champions Tour Event returns to The TwinEagles Club Feb. 11 – 16. Watson will compete in Naples for the first time since 2006 alongside fellow Hall of Famers Bernhard Langer, Hale Irwin, Tom Kite, Colin Montgomerie, Nick Price and Curtis Strange.

“The field is really shaping up to be one the strongest we’ve had,” said Tournament Director Gail Graham, “Obviously having Watson’s commitment is a great addition and adds another golf legend into the mix of great competitors in our field. It should make for an exciting week of golf at TwinEagles.”

Watson has captured eight major championships throughout his career including five Open Championships, two Masters titles and one U.S. Open. He currently ranks sixth on the list of total majors won. He is also the U.S. captain for this year’s Ryder Cup.

Langer, the defending ACE Group Classic Champion, joins Watson having also won The Masters twice in his career. In total, the seven Hall of Famers headed to Naples account for 19 major victories. Irwin has claimed three U.S. Opens, Strange has two U.S. Open titles - winning back-to-back in 1988 and 1989, Kite won the U.S. Open in 1992, and Price has two PGA Championships, along with an Open Championship title.

A 2013 inductee to the World Golf Hall of Fame, Montgomerie recorded eight European Tour Order of Merit titles (the European Tour’s top money winner) during his career, seven of which were won consecutively during 1993-99 and spent over 400 weeks in the top-10 World Golf Rankings.

The final field for the ACE Group Classic will be announced Friday, Feb. 7th.

Ultimate Golf Experience Books are now on sale for \$99. With the purchase of an Ultimate Golf Experience Book, fans will receive discounted golf rounds at over 25 of the best golf courses in Southwest Florida, a Weekly Grounds Ticket to The ACE Group Classic, complimentary parking all week, two concessions vouchers valid any day and a 10 percent discount in the TwinEagles Pro-Shop.

Upgraded ticket options, including the 18th Green Hospitality Suite which includes an open bar and food buffet are available for \$100. Weekly Tickets (valid Tuesday – Sunday) are \$50 and Daily Tickets (valid any one day Tuesday – Sunday) are now on sale for \$25. Weekly VIP Parking passes will be sold for \$115. Daily VIP Parking will be \$45 and is valid any one day during tournament week. Please note VIP Parking passes are not available at the gate. General Parking passes are available Weekly for \$25 and Daily (any one day) for \$5.





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About The TwinEagles Club

TwinEagles is conveniently located just 6 miles east of I-75 off Immokalee Road in Naples. Additional information on this premier community and club can be found at: www.twineagles.com.

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