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FOG TOURNAMENT RETURNS WITH RIVIERA COUNTRY CLUB AT CENTER STAGE



Located in Pacific Palisades, Riviera CC became known as “Hogan’s Alley” due to Ben Hogan’s success there. Included in his victories there was the 1948 U.S. Open.

After the stay-at-home directives canceled the 2020 tournament, the Friends of Golf (FOG) Charity Golf Tournament returns with Riviera Country Club as this year’s venue. Designed in 1928 by George C. Thomas, who is also responsible for Bel-Air Country Club and Los Angeles Country Club’s North Course, Riviera is rich in history and will provide a memorable round of golf for FOG participants. The course, which is overlooked by its iconic Spanish-style clubhouse, has been home to 58 PGA Tour events, a U.S. Open, a

U.S. Senior Open, a U.S. Amateur, two PGA Championships and several NCAA Championships. It will also be the host course for the 2028 Olympics. Riviera annually ranks among the world’s top 50 golf courses and the top 25 courses in the United States.

Peter Kostis, this year’s Honoree, had a 30-year broadcasting career and was one of golf’s most popular announcers. A longtime CBS television analyst and teaching pro, Kostis also had a role in the movie Tin

Although Kostis is best known for his contributions to the golfing world, he attended the University of New Hampshire on a football scholarship.

Cup and now heads up the Grayhawk Golf Learning Center in Scottsdale, AZ. Along with coaching more than 125 PGA, LPGA, and Senior PGA Tour pros, he also tutored Kevin Costner, Dan Marino, George W. Bush, and many more notable amateur golfers. Kostis should have some memorable stories to tell when he’s reunited with Jim Nantz who will be interviewing him at the FOG Banquet.

“The finest one day tournament of its kind in the USA.” – Byron Nelson



19th HOLE

By Lil' Pro



Congratulations to former FOG Honoree, Patrick Cantlay for winning this year's PGA Tour Championship and the 2021 FedEx Cup. He certainly filled up his sack financially with four tournament wins this year, including an exciting playoff with Bryson DeChambeau, another FOG Honoree, in the previous week's BMW Championship. Patrick is a very fine young man and comes from a wonderful family. Before I was even aware of Patrick, I taught his father Steve, who went on to be club champion at Wilshire Country Club. Both his parents went to USC, but apparently the Trojans coach didn't show much interest in recruiting Patrick out of Servite High School. Instead, he went to UCLA where he won numerous awards, including the Ben Hogan Trophy. He also spent 55 weeks as the world's number one amateur. Speaking of UCLA, I had to be neutral recently when UCLA played LSU in football. I'm an LSU alum and spent 15 years as the Bruins' Men's Golf Coach.



The Lil' Pro played in two L.A. Opens (currently called the Genesis Open) and once qualified there for a PGA Championship spot.



In addition to beating out Jordan Spieth, Justin Thomas, Dylan Frittelli, and Patrick Rodgers to win the 2012 Hogan Trophy, Cantlay captured the Jack Nicklaus Award, the Fred Haskins Award, and the Mark H. McCormack Medal that goes to the world's top amateur golfer.

One of the many youth organizations FOG supports is the Evans Scholars Foundation. The non-profit organization was founded by Chick Evans, a rival of Bobby Jones who in 1916 won the Western Amateur, the Western Open, the U.S. Amateur, and the U.S. Open. Evans wanted to do something for caddies. In 1929 he convinced the Western Golf Association to start the scholarship program in the Chicago area. Since its founding, the organization has invested over \$435 million and paid tuition, room, and board for over 11,000 caddies. Several Bel-Air Country Club caddies have been recipients. I had the opportunity to be paired with Chick in the George S. May All-American Championship.

This year's FOG Tournament will be played at Riviera Country Club, a course that annually ranks in the top five courses for PGA pros. Riviera has a lot of history associated with the L.A. Open and other major golf championships. I played in the L.A. Open a couple of times and qualified for the PGA Championship there one year. I qualified alongside of Jerry Barber, Head Pro at Los Angeles Country Club and Mac Hunter, Head Pro at Riviera Country Club. Mac became a good friend and when Bel-Air was looking for a Head Pro, he offered up my name and I got the job in 1962.

I've known this year's FOG Honoree, Peter Kostis, for many years due to our affiliation with Golf Digest. Peter is extremely knowledgeable and displayed it during his many years with CBS and the Golf Channel. He's worked with many celebrities and PGA Tour players over the years and still coaches Paul Casey. Peter currently teaches at Grayhawk Golf Club, a Scottsdale, AZ course that also features Phil Mickelson's Phil's Grill.

This year's 12 member U.S. Ryder Cup 12 team featured four recent FOG Honorees, Cantlay, Dustin Johnson, Brooks Koepka, and DeChambeau and was played at Pete Dye's Kohler, WI's Whistling Straights. Herb Kohler tells a story about working with Dye to design the course. Dye wanted a group of trees taken out and Kohler wanted to keep them. At a meeting to begin construction, Dye showed up on time, but Kohler was late. When Kohler arrived, he didn't see Dye anywhere until he looked out and saw the group of trees burning. Kohler said that was the last time he was ever late to a meeting.



WE GET LETTERS

In each edition of FOG Horn we devote space to reprinting excerpts from a few of the many letters FOG receives from the schools and organizations it benefits. They not only offer thanks but remind us that FOG's value extends beyond the golf course and into the community. Many coaches, especially at the high school level are fighting budget cuts, economic realities, and this past year, COVID-19 restrictions. FOG's support is the primary reason their programs survive.

"I sincerely thank you for your generous contribution to both our Boys and Girls teams for the 2021 season. This has been an extremely stressful time for all families, teachers, and student-athletes. Any effort to subsidize costs from the school/CIF/Friends of Golf alleviates stress from some of the parents who may not always have the means. I sincerely appreciate this gesture. In addition, both the Boys and Girls team thanks you for your contribution."

Keane Misawa, Girls and Boys Golf Head Coach, Chino Hills High School

"On behalf of the Banning Bronco Golf Program, I would like to thank you for your generous donation. We are extremely thankful and fortunate to have people and organizations like the Friends of Golf supporting us. Banning High School and the other schools that you support are extremely lucky to have people that want to promote the game of golf. We would not be able to provide a quality interscholastic golf experience without you."

John Stockham, Head Coach of Golf Banning High School, Banning, CA

"On behalf of A.B. Miller Golf, we would like to thank you for sponsoring our golf teams. Your sponsorship will provide for the purchase of uniforms, travel expenses and tournament registration fees. Without the continuous support of people like you, we would not be able to reach our goals. Thank you once again for your generous support of our golf programs."

Andrew Schile, Boys and Girls Golf Coach, A.B. Miller High School, Fontana, CA

"I am writing you regarding the generous contribution that your organization made to the Hemet High School Boys and Girls Golf Programs. In a year like this past year, your donation is especially appreciated

as our athletes and their families have certainly faced some financial challenges and your group's financial support will ease some of that burden. We hope we can represent the game of golf in a manner that will merit the support of your group."

Gary Romeril, Hemet High Boys and Girls Golf Coach, Hemet, CA

"Your generosity has enabled us to send a record 1,045 Evans Scholars enrolled in 19 leading universities nationwide this year. These promising young men and women are leaders on campus, maintaining a 3.4 GPA and 95% graduation rate, and they're on path to a brighter future because of you. Together, we've changed thousands of lives. Our Evans Scholars Program addresses the barriers to college graduation faced by students and prepares our Scholars for a lifetime of success. Our alumni--now more than 11,300--are workforce and community leaders who are eager to help the next generation of caddies."

John Kaczkowski, President & CEO Evans Scholarship Foundation
(Editor's Note: For more on the Evans Scholarship Foundation, see the Lil' Pro's 19th Hole)

SEMINOLE SENIOR RECEIVES HOGAN TROPHY

John Pak, a Florida St senior, was named the 2021 Ben Hogan Trophy winner as the ceremony returned to Fort Worth's Colonial Country Club. As part of the award, Pak receives a playing spot in the 2022 Charles Schwab Challenge played at Colonial CC. Pak also finished first in the inaugural PGA Tour University Class which provides an exemption for the



remainder of the 2021 Korn Ferry Tour, so his professional career has immediate promise. A native of Scotch Plains, NJ, Pak won ACC Player of the Year Honors and was a First Team All-American. His collegiate record included a 21-1 record against other players ranked in the top 25 and 54-0 versus players ranked 26-100. In addition to the Hogan Trophy which counts both college and amateur statistics, Pak also won the Jack Nicklaus Award and the Fred Haskins Award. Those awards are based strictly on college performances. Jon Rahm, the only two-time winner of the Hogan Trophy was recently named 2021 PGA Player of the Year.

SHORE TROPHY GOES TO AKRON'S SHAH

Ivana Shah, a University of Akron sophomore, was named the 2021 winner of the Dinah Shore Trophy. A native of Mumbai, India, Shah not only excelled on the golf course, but also boasts a 3.9 GPA and will graduate next year with a degree in biomedical engineering. In addition, Shah is a co-founder of the Akron-based



Call to Action, an organization that brings together eager volunteers with non-profit groups seeking help and additional support. Her brief collegiate golf career has included twice being named MAC Player of the week and leading her Aron Zips team in tournament scoring nine times.

The Dinah Shore Trophy is a joint effort with FOG, the LPGA and the ANA Inspiration. The trophy rewards a female collegiate golfer who has combined success on the golf course, the classroom, and the community.

FOG CONGRATULATES 2021 SCGA JUNIOR FRIENDS OF GOLF SCHOLAR, SOPHIA SANDOVAL



We're pleased to announce the 2021 Friends of Golf Scholar, Sophia Sandoval. Sophia has been a long-time participant in SCGA Junior's Player & Youth Development program in Southeast Los Angeles where she currently serves as a coach and role model to others in the program. Her participation earned her the opportunity to take part in a FOG tournament clinic alongside Honoree Brooks Koepka in 2019. Sophia will attend Cal State Los Angeles with a career goal of becoming a nurse.

FOG'S TURN WOOD AND IRON INTO GOLD

While the money FOG donates is greatly appreciated, your previously used golf equipment can turn dreams into reality, especially in the lower income and less prestigious neighborhoods served by FOG. Currently your old clubs are probably collecting dust in the garage or behind everything else in a Fibber McGee-like closet when they could be treasured by a young boy or girl that never dreamed of participating in the great game of golf. Contact our FOG office (559) 539-1840 and we'll do our best to arrange to pick them up at any time during the year. You'll receive a receipt for tax deduction purposes, but that's not the reason you should do it. The reason is you can make a difference in a young person's life.

RECENT FOG HONOREES MAKE UP OVER ONE-THIRD OF U.S. RYDER CUP TEAM

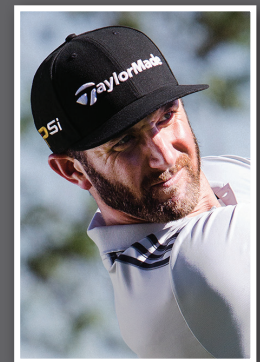
As of this writing, these four FOG Honorees are in the Top 10 of the Official World Golf Rankings. Plus, all five are representing the United States in the 2021 Ryder Cup. Nick Faldo, another recent FOG Honoree, represented Europe in 11 Ryder Cups and scored a total of 25 points. In 2008, he captained the European team.



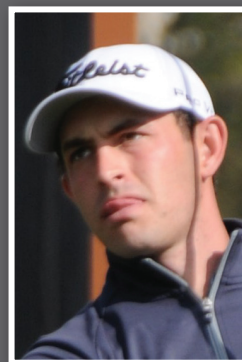
DeChambeau (2016)



Koepka (2019)



Johnson (2017)



Cantlay (2018)



Faldo (2018)

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

SAL CIMBOLO



Even though we had to cancel last year's tournament, FOG was still able to make our annual contributions to SCGA, SCPGA, the high schools and collegiate teams we support, and the other terrific youth organizations we assist financially. There's a lot of people I'd like to thank including FOG's Board of Directors who came through with increased personal donations. I also want to thank our title sponsor, Konica Minolta and congratulate them for being recognized as the #1 Brand for Customer Loyalty in the MFP Office Copier Market for the 14th consecutive year.

Other well deserved thank you's go out to a number of our tournament participants who have stepped up and become sponsors for this year's tournament to be held at Riviera Country Club. The staff and membership at Riviera have been so helpful and gracious in supporting FOG and making sure our tournament will be a wonderful experience for participants, sponsors, and volunteers.

This year's Ken Venturi Spirit of Giving Award recipient is Brent Gledhill, president of William Blair & Company, a global investment banking and asset management firm that has been a long time FOG sponsor. Anyone who has played in FOG tournaments for any length of time has

received dozens of golf balls with the William Blair logo on them. Brent is a terrific guy and a very deserving winner of the award bearing the Venturi name.

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