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PGA TOUR Champions Player Newsletter



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2025 Welcome Letter

From President, Miller Brady

PGA TOUR Champions Members,

As we kick off the 2025 PGA TOUR Champions season, I want to welcome you all to another year of competition. The start of a new season always brings excitement and anticipation, and this year is no exception.

We have an incredible lineup of tournaments, featuring 28 events across 20 states and three countries, with the highest prize money in the history of our Tour. This season promises to deliver another thrilling race for the Charles Schwab Cup, and I'm looking forward to seeing another year of tremendous golf.

The camaraderie and competition on PGA TOUR Champions are what make our Tour unique, and each of you are a key part of creating that environment. Our goal on the Champions Tour is to entertain and inspire fans while making a difference in the communities where we compete, and each of you contribute to the success of that each and every week.

Thank you for your continued dedication and support. I look forward to seeing you on the course and celebrating another fantastic season together.

Best regards,

Miller Brady

Significant Regulation Updates for 2025

PGA TOUR Champions

Please note: these changes are highlighted in the 2025 PGA TOUR Champions Handbook - the full 2025 Handbook can be found on PGA TOUR LINKS under the RULES & REGULATIONS tab.

- Major Medical Exemption - Language has been cleared up to simplify and explain the Major Medical Exemption process and exemptions. This category has been added as exempt into Regions Tradition and Kaulig Companies Championship. Details on page 16, 69, 72 of Handbook.
- Golf Cart Policy - Please refer to page 84 of Handbook for full details
- James Hardie Pro Football Hall of Fame Invitational - Taking place in Boca Raton, this event will feature 26 groups playing as foursomes on Friday and Saturday. Sunday is Professionals only. Standard Pro-Am eligibility for Wednesday & Thursday. Full details on page 68.
- Insuperity Invitational - Top 36 Prior Year Points are now eligible. Medalist from Qualifying Tournament has been removed. The alternate list will alternate between players from PGA TOUR Champions Previous Year's Charles Schwab Cup Points List to a floor of 54 and players from the All-Time Money List to a floor of 100. Details on page 68.
- American Family Insurance Championship - TPC Wisconsin will host a Team Event. Two Pro Am Days (Wednesday and Thursday); Official competition days (54-hole competition): Friday (Team Best Ball), Saturday (Team Scramble); Sunday (Team Best Ball), Playoff (Best Ball). 38 teams will compete. 2 players per team. Eligibility explains the list of players eligible to pick a partner and those who are eligible to be picked. Full details on page 71.

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CHAMPIONSHIP
at Hualalai

**FULL Details for the tournament
are located on PGA TOUR LINKS.**

January 14 - 18, 2025

MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CHAMPIONSHIP AT HUALALAI

HUALALAI GOLF COURSE

KA'UPULEHU-KONA, HI

Key Information

Tournament Office

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Phone: 904-868-9529

Email: normalong@pgatourmail.com

Local Finish Time

Saturday 5:00pm

Transportation

Contestants will fly into Kailua-Kona Airport on the Big Island of Hawaii. The tournament provides complimentary transportation for players and their spouses to and from the airport. Resort Limousines will meet your party just outside of baggage claim with a sign that has the PGA TOUR Champions logo. If you have not already done so, please send your flight information to: Norma Long at normalong@pgatourmail.com or call her at 904.868.9529. Beginning January 7, you may reach Norma at 808.325.8351.

Courtesy cars will be available on a check-in, check-out basis.

Hotels in Naples, FL

Chubb Classic

A friendly reminder that if players need hotel accommodations for the Chubb Classic.

The deadline to book is **Friday, January 10th**. Reservations will close one month before the tournament.

All booking links and details are updated on PGA TOUR LINKS.

Player & Caddie Meetings in Tucson, AZ

Cologuard Classic

PLAYERS: There will be a morning and afternoon meeting on THURSDAY of tournament week on site in The Westin. Players are expected to attend one of the two provided meeting times.

CADDIES: There will be a caddie meeting THURSDAY evening of tournament week. Time TBD. Please plan to attend.

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Trophy Hassan II

General Information

PLEASE NOTE: Mary Slade White is your Morocco Point of Contact. Her email is marysladewhite@pgatourhq.com

CHARTER

Charter is free of charge for Player, Caddie and Spouse/Significant Other. If Spouse/Significant Other is NOT traveling, one (1) additional guest may travel with you. Players cannot have Spouse/Significant Other and a guest and ask for a local caddie

We are not taking requests for additional passengers, or for special seat seating arrangements at this time.

Sunday February 2, 2025

Departing Miami International Airport at 11:00 PM

Flight No: TBD

Check in will begin at 6:00 PM (5 hours prior to departure) until 9:00 PM (2 hours prior to departure)

Please see Mary Slade and Jimmy Gabrielsen (set up at a table near check-in counter) PRIOR and AFTER checking in at the Royal Air Maroc counter to confirm seat assignment

Additional information on Airport Procedures will be sent as it becomes available

Monday February 3, 2025

Arriving Rabat at 12:00 PM Local Time

Transportation to Player, Caddie and Staff Hotels, provided by tournament

Sunday February 9, 2025

Departing at 10:00 AM

Flight No: TBD

Arrive Miami International Airport at approximately 2:30 PM

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

PASSPORTS - must also have at least six months of validity at time of entry.

VISAS - Players who are NOT from one of the countries listed below will need a VISA to enter Morocco. To check for updates, go to: Moroccan Consulate

Algeria, Andorra, Argentina, Austria, Australia, Bahrain, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Canada, Chile, China, Cyprus, Columbia, Congo, Czech Republic, Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Monaco, Gabon, Germany, Greece, Guinea (Conakry), Iceland, Italy, Ireland, Indonesia, Ivory Coast, Japan, Hong-Kong (a stay limited to 30 days), Hungary (a stay limited to 90 days), Kuwait, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macao (Administrative Area), Mali, Malta, Malaysia (a stay limited to 90 days), Maldives (a stay limited to 30 days), Mali, Malta, Mexico, New Zealand, Netherlands, Niger, Norway, Oman, Portugal, Philippines, Peru, Poland, Puerto Rico, Qatar, Romania, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, San Marino, Senegal, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United States of America

The Tournament will provide a letter of invitation to accompany your visa application should one be required

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Trophy Hassan II

General Information - Continued

HOTELS

Rooms for both Players and Caddies are free of charge, additional rooms will be available upon request – Mary Slade will be working with Players, Caddies and Staff to book rooms for the event.

Player Hotel and TOUR Staff Hotel: Fairmont Hotel

Caddie: Flower Town Hotel + Soundouss Hotel (adjacent to each other. Hotel will be assigned by PGA TOUR Champions)

GOLF COURSE

Royal Golf Dar Es Salam

Practice Facility available beginning Monday February 3rd

Transportation to the golf course will be provided by the tournament – Approximately 25 minutes travel time

Shuttles will leave from hotels every 30 minutes – A full transportation schedule will be provided in the Player Handbook

Yardage books will be available at registration (located at the front of the clubhouse) for players and caddies

PRO-AM

Tuesday and Wednesday (players will play one pro-am at the most)

28 Groups Per Day

Approximate Finish Time 5:30PM

Golf Course will be available after the Pro-Am for practice rounds

Welcome Reception and Pro-Am Awards (Your attendance is IMPERATIVE)

Wednesday, February 5th

7:30 PM – Fairmont Rabat Hotel (player hotel)

Attire – Golf/Dress shirt and pants (no jeans, shorts or t-shirts)

COMPETITION DAYS

Thursday – Saturday

Tee Times Approximately 10:40AM – 12:20PM, Finish Time 5:00PM

FOOD

Breakfast is available at the hotel

Lunch available at the golf course for Players and Spouses at Player Dining. Caddies will have their own designated Dining area next to Food Court. PGA TOUR Champions caddies will not be allowed in Player Dining

Suggested local restaurants will be listed in the Player Handbook provided by the tournament

MISCELLANEOUS

COMMITMENT DEADLINE: January 24, 2025

WIVES OUTING: There will be Wives Outings on 3-4 days of tournament week. Day, Time and Activities TBD. A link will be provided for wives to sign up for activities as there was last year.

SHORTS: As with all PGA TOUR Champions events, shorts are permitted on Practice and Pro-Am days – Pants are required for the competition

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Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai

2025 Agronomy Report

Golf Course Superintendent: Dan Husek

PGA TOUR Agronomist: Mike Crawford, CGCS

The Hualalai Course at Four Seasons Resort is in very good condition and will provide excellent playing conditions for the upcoming tournament. The Platinum Paspalum putting greens are expected to provide smooth and true ball roll. The Sealsle 2000 Paspalum tees, approaches, and fairways are also in good condition, and with favorable weather, are anticipated to provide firm playing conditions. All remaining bermudagrass rough was converted to Paspalum this summer, which completed the transformation around the entire golf course. The conversion of the rough to Paspalum included reducing previously enlarged fairways by establishing a ¾-inch intermediate or second cut that varies in width around the course and does not extend around the greens.

Quick Facts:

- The target greenspeed will be near 12 feet.
- The tees, fairways, and approaches will be mowed at 0.325 inch.
- The second cut will be mowed at 0.750 inch, and the primary rough will be maintained at 1.25 inches.

2025 Credentials

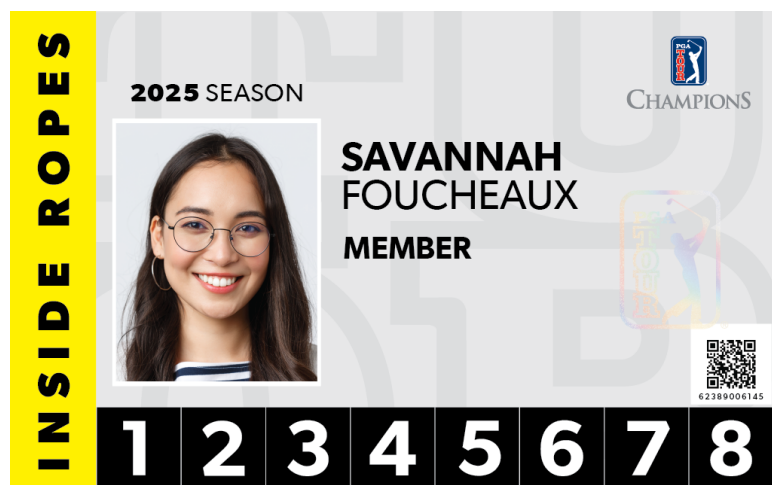
Important Update

The PGA TOUR season long credential has taken on a new look for 2025! Please be aware that access is now defined by number codes. Credentials with no number codes will provide grounds access only. Any questions, please email pgatourcredentials@pgatourhq.com.

The following codes define access areas:

- 1 = Locker Room
- 2 = Practice Areas
- 3 = Player Family Dining
- 4 = Caddie Dining/Only Area
- 5 = Media Center
- 6 = TV Compound
- 7 = Hospitality Areas
- (In a working capacity only)
- 8 = Clubhouse

(Access is at the discretion of each tournament)



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Model Local Rule G-9

Starting January 1, 2025

Note: The following Model Local Rule replaces the version of MLR G-9 published in the printed edition of the 'Official Guide to the Rules of Golf, Effective January 2023' starting on 1 January 2025.

G-9 – Broken or Significantly Damaged Club Replaced with Similar Club

Purpose. Rule 4.1a(2) allows a player to repair or replace a club that is damaged during the round, except in cases of abuse. But a Committee may adopt a Local Rule to restrict replacement to cases where the club is broken or significantly damaged.

Model Local Rule G-9

“Rule 4.1a(2) applies but is modified in these ways:

1. A club damaged by the player or their caddie during the round or while play is stopped under Rule 5.7a may only be replaced if the damage was not caused by abuse and if the club is broken or the damage is significant.

For the purposes of this Local Rule, examples of when a club is “broken or the damage is significant” include:

Shaft:

- The shaft is in pieces, or it is bent, dented, kinked or splintered.

Clubhead (except Club Face):

- The clubhead is visibly cracked or substantially deformed (but not when it is only scratched, chipped or has a minor dent),
- The clubhead is loose or no longer attached to the shaft, or
- A part inside the clubhead is loose (such as when there is an audible rattle).

Club Face:

- The club face is visibly cracked or deformed (including when it has a chip or minor dent but not when it is only scratched).

Grip:

- The grip or part of it is loose.

2. To ensure the progression of the set is maintained, the replacement club must fill the gap created when the player took the broken or damaged club out of play.

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule – See Rule 4.1b.” (Revised January 2025)

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Important Information

2025 Event Qualifying

Event Qualifying Schedule Available in the Link Below

<https://qualifying.pgatourhq.com>

Following is scheduling and site information for the 2025 PGA TOUR Champions Event Qualifying.

Special Notes:

Registration is through the host PGA Section website.

Any questions, please contact Tyler Vanover.

Phone: 904-273-7642

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Schwab Cup Standings

2024 Season

The link below will provide access to most recent Charles Schwab Cup Standings. Currently this link provides a recap of the 2024 Season.

LINK - [2024 Final Charles Schwab Cup Rankings](#)
