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WORLD NO. 1 TIGER WOODS RETURNS

Tournament Badges available for purchase through June 7th

Dublin, Ohio - May 29, 2009 – Tournament officials announced today that three-time Memorial winner and World No. 1 Tiger Woods will compete in the 34th Memorial Tournament scheduled for June 1-7 at Muirfield Village Golf Club.

Woods will be making his tenth appearance at the Memorial and his first since missing the 2008 Tournament due to a knee injury. He has recorded six top-10 finishes at Muirfield Village Golf Club and has never missed the cut. Woods and 2008 winner Kenny Perry are the only three-time winners of the Memorial, and Woods holds the only sub-70 scoring average in Tournament history at 69.59. He also holds the record for low back-to-back rounds with 63-65 during Rounds 2 and 3 in 2000, and he ranks No. 2 on the Memorial's career money list with more than \$2.7 million in earnings.

On the strength of five top-10 finishes in six events in 2009, including a victory at the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by MasterCard, Woods is not only the No. 1 ranked player in the world, but also ranks No.1 on the TOUR in scoring average at 69.13 and No. 9 on the PGA TOUR money list with \$2,166,813. Woods has recorded 66 PGA TOUR victories, including 14 professional major championships, and he is the reigning U.S. Open champion. Woods has recorded at least one victory in each of his 13 seasons as a professional, four shy of the record shared by Memorial Tournament founder and host Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer.

With Woods's commitment in place, the Memorial will boast a field that includes seven out of the top-10 in the world and eight out of the top-10 on the PGA TOUR money list. In addition, Woods along with Vijay Singh, Kenny Perry, Anthony Kim, Camilo Villegas, Padraig Harrington, Jim Furyk and Jack Nicklaus will participate in the Memorial Skins Game scheduled for Wednesday, June 3 at 1pm. "We are pleased to learn of Tiger's return to the Memorial," said

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executive director Dan Sullivan. “Over the years Tiger has played well here, and, of course, central Ohio fans very much enjoy seeing him compete. Tiger is one of the biggest stars in all of sport and he brings significant attention to any event he enters. All involved with the Memorial look forward to hosting Tiger as one of the 120 professionals in this year’s field.”

In conjunction with the announcement of Tiger Woods’s commitment the Memorial Tournament will make All-week Patron Badges available to the general public through Tournament week. The badges, valid June 1-7, are priced at \$155 per person and include a complimentary three-day Practice Round ticket at no extra cost. “This year, more than any in recent memory, we understand the importance of offering golf fans an opportunity to enjoy the Memorial at a reasonable price and value,” Sullivan explains. “As well, we are interested in making the badge purchase process as easy as possible. We think we have accomplished both goals.” As always, kids 12 and under can attend for free all week and kids 18 and under are now free on Wednesday for Junior Golf Day. To purchase badges through Sunday, June 7 the public may call the Tournament Ticket Office 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at 877-MT BADGE or visit www.thememorialtournament.com. Through Friday, May 29 patrons have the option of two-day delivery or Will Call pick-up. Starting Tournament week, badges may also be purchased at the Memorial Patron Will Call Center, located in the Perimeter Loop Kroger parking lot. Daily tickets for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday practice rounds are also available. The cost is \$30, and they are valid for all three practice-round days.

2009 Memorial Tournament Schedule of Events

Monday, June 1	Practice Rounds	All Day
Tuesday, June 2	Practice Rounds	All Day
	Military Appreciation Day	All Day
	Honoree Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Joanne Carner, Jackie Burke, Jr.▪ Tom Place, David “Dai” Davies - Journalism Honorees	3:00pm
	Jack Nicklaus Golf Clinic	4:30pm
Wednesday, June 3	Practice Rounds	All Day
	Junior Golf Day	All Day
	Memorial Skins Game <i>(nine-hole event starting on Hole No. 10)</i>	1:00pm
	Junior Clinic - Safari Golf Club	5:30pm
Thursday - Sunday (June 4 - 7)	Tournament Play - 8:00am start <i>(estimated)</i> <i>Awards Ceremony Following Play of Final Round</i>	

**All times subject to change*

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2009 Memorial Tournament Television Schedule

Date	Network	Times	Show Description
Wednesday, June 3	Golf Channel	1:00 - 4:00 P.M.	Memorial Skins Game (live)
Thursday, June 4	Golf Channel	3:00 - 6:00 P.M.	First Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	8:30 P.M.	First Round Replay
Friday, June 5	Golf Channel	3:00 - 6:00 P.M.	Second Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	8:30 P.M.	Second Round Replay
Saturday, June 6	Golf Channel	12:30 - 2:30 P.M.	Bonus Coverage
	CBS	3:00 - 6:00 P.M.	Third Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	9:30 P.M.	Third Round Replay
Sunday, June 3	Golf Channel	12:00 - 2:00 P.M.	Bonus Coverage
	CBS	2:30 - 6:00 P.M.	Final Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	9:30 P.M.	Final Round Replay

Note: Starting Wednesday, June 3, 2009 Extensive Tournament Week Coverage on GOLF CHANNEL

The Memorial Tournament presented by Morgan Stanley is held annually at Muirfield Village Golf Club in Dublin, Ohio, a suburb of Columbus. The Tournament, founded and hosted by Jack Nicklaus, is conducted each year with three goals in mind: to honor the memory of individuals living and deceased who have distinguished themselves in the game of golf; to showcase the world's best golfers competing on one of the most challenging venues in the world for the enjoyment of spectators; and to benefit charitable organizations in central Ohio. For more information, call 614-889-6700 or visit www.thememorialtournament.com.