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Ascension CHARITY CLASSIC



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FINAL FIELD ANNOUNCED FOR THE FOURTH ANNUAL ASCENSION CHARITY CLASSIC

Field includes eight of the top 10 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings, 19 PGA TOUR Champions major winners and three World Golf Hall of Fame members

ST. LOUIS (August 30, 2024) – Tournament officials announced today the final field for the fourth annual Ascension Charity Classic at Norwood Hills Country Club in St. Louis, Mo., scheduled for next week, Sept. 2 – 8. This elite roster of 78* players contains eight of the top 10 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings and collectively represents 239 PGA TOUR Champions victories, including 19 senior major championship winners and 13 Charles Schwab Cup titles.

The field also boasts 19 PGA TOUR major championship wins and three World Golf Hall of Fame members, including Ernie Els, Bernhard Langer, and Retief Goosen. From the Charles Schwab Cup Money list, four of the top 5 players are represented: Els (1) Steven Alker (3), Richard Green (4), and K.J. Choi (5).

The world-class field also features the Ascension Charity Classic defending champion Steve Flesch, reigning Charles Schwab Cup Champion Steve Stricker, plus Stewart Cink fresh off his first PGA TOUR Champions victory at The Ally Challenge presented by McLaren, and fan favorite John Daly.

Tickets for the 2024 Ascension Charity Classic are on sale. The tournament is open to spectators from Thursday (September 5) to Sunday (September 8) and ticket prices start at \$20. Children ages 16 and under are admitted free with a ticketed adult. For a complete listing of ticket options please visit the tournament website at ascensioncharityclassic.com.

2024 FIELD OF COMPETITORS AS OF FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 2024, AT 6 P.M. (CST)

Alker, Steven	Durant, Joe	Mediate, Rocco	3 Event Qualifiers(4)
Allan, Steve	Duval, David	O'Neal, Tim	78 Players in Field
Andrade, Billy	Els, Ernie	Pampling, Rod	
Appleby, Stuart	Estes, Bob	Parel, Scott	Alternates
Austin, Woody	Flesch, Steve	Pavin, Corey	Tiziani, Mario
Barron, Doug	Frazar, Harrison	Percy, Cameron	Gogel, Matt
Bertsch, Shane	Frost, David	Pernice Jr., Tom	Pate, Steve
Bjørn, Thomas +	Funk, Fred	Perry, Kenny	Davis, Brian
Bransdon, David	Gonzalez, Ricardo	Petrovic, Tim	Caron, Jason
Branshaw, David	Goosen, Retief	Pride, Dicky	Atwal, Arjun
Broadhurst, Paul	Goydos, Paul	Quigley, Brett	Franco, Carlos
Cabrera, Ángel	Green, Richard	Sauers, Gene	Beckman, Cameron
Campbell, Chad	Haas, Jay	Senden, John	Blake, Jay Don
Cejka, Alex	Hensby, Mark	Slocum, Heath	Toledo, Esteban
Chalmers, Greg	Huston, John	Stankowski, Paul	Eger, David
Choi, K.J.	Jaidee, Thongchai	Stricker, Steve	Bradley, Michael
Cink, Stewart	Janzen, Lee	Sutherland, Kevin	Begay III, Notah
Clarke, Darren	Karlsson, Robert	Tanigawa, Ken	Eaks, R.W.
Daly, John	Kelly, Jerry	Triplett, Kirk	Short, Jr., Wes
Dawson, Marco	Labritz, Rob	Verplank, Scott	
Day, Glen	Langer, Bernhard	Waldorf, Duffy	* - Open Qualifier /
Delsing, Jay +	Leonard, Justin	Weekley, Boo	+ - Sponsor Exemption
DiMarco, Chris	Maggert, Jeff	Wi, Charlie	
Duke, Ken	Mayfair, Billy	Wright, Michael	
Dunlap, Scott	McCarron, Scott	Yang, Y.E.	

*The 2024 Ascension Charity Classic field includes three event qualifiers. The qualifying tournament will be held on Monday, 9/2/24, on the West Course at Norwood Hills Country Club. Tee times begin at 8 a.m. More details available below.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND BROADCAST TIMES (Note: Schedule times and events subject to change)

Thursday, September 5

- Gates Open: 7 a.m.
- Pro Shop Open: 7 a.m.
- Official Tournament Pro-Am
 - Morning Tee Times: 7:00 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.
 - Afternoon Tee Times: 12:00 p.m. - 2:10 p.m.
- Women’s Leadership Breakfast presented by Accenture: 8:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. (private event - available for media coverage)
- Ascension Charity Classic Youth Clinic presented by Accenture: 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. (Norwood Hills driving range)

Friday, September 6

- Gates Open: 8:30 a.m. – **FOLDS OF HONOR FRIDAY**
- Pro Shop Open: 8:30 a.m.
- Opening Ceremony featuring Folds of Honor Friday: 9:35 a.m.
- First Round Official Tournament Competition: Tee times from 10 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. (estimated)
- Hole No. 13 Green flag tending by local First Responders: 10:30 a.m. - 4:40 p.m.

Broadcast

Golf Channel: 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturday, September 7

- Gates Open: 7 a.m.
- Pro Shop Open: 7 a.m.
- Second Round Official Tournament Competition: Tee times from 7:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. (estimated)
- Legends Media Availability with Marshall Faulk, Aeneas Williams, Jake Neighbours, Scott Perunovich, Jeremy Maclin, Danario Alexander, Sean Weatherspoon, Kevin Rutland, Hale Irwin and Chris Pronger: 2 p.m. Putting Green (Media Only)
- Legends Charity Challenge presented by Worldwide Technology: featuring Marshall Faulk, Aeneas Williams, Jake Neighbours, Scott Perunovich, Jeremy Maclin, Danario Alexander, Sean Weatherspoon, Kevin Rutland, Hale Irwin and Chris Pronger: 3:45 p.m. start (estimated) on the 10th tee following final tournament grouping

Broadcast

Golf Channel: 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday, September 8

- Gates Open - 8 a.m.
- Pro Shop Open - 8 a.m.
- Final Round Official Tournament Competition: Tee times from 7:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. (estimated)
- Trophy Presentation Following Play

Broadcast

Golf Channel: 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Ascension Chariry Classic official Tournament Qualifier details: The final three spots in the Ascension Charity Classic’s field of competitors (total of 78 players) will be earned by the top three finishers in the Qualifier Tournament on Monday, September 2 on the WEST Course at Norwood Hills. Tee times begin at 8 a.m.

Monday Qualifier field, tee times, pairings and results information are available by visiting the following PGA Gateway Section link: <https://www.golfgenius.com/pages/10492288502291519785>.

The Ascension Charity Classic has established a legacy of giving in North St. Louis County and the surrounding Greater St. Louis area. The tournament has generated more than \$2.6 million in giving for charitable organizations since its inception in 2020.

The Ascension Charity Classic will be one of the premier Regular Season events on the PGA TOUR Champions in 2024, which will give way to the Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs—a season-ending, three-tournament series used to determine the TOUR’s season-long champion.

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For more information about the Ascension Charity Classic, including volunteer opportunities, Pro-Am and hospitality availability, visit the Ascension Charity Classic website at ascensioncharityclassic.com. For the latest news and updates on social media, follow the tournament on Twitter at @ascensioncgg, on Facebook at facebook.com/ascensioncharityclassic and Instagram at @ascensioncharityclassic.

About Ascension Charity Classic

The Ascension Charity Classic is an official event on the PGA TOUR Champions operated by Tournaments for Charity, a 501 (c) 3 non-profit entity. This 54-hole stroke play golf tournament features 78 PGA TOUR Champions professionals competing for a \$2.1 million purse at historic Norwood Hills Country Club in St. Louis, Missouri. The event is designed to showcase the best golf on the PGA TOUR Champions for the enjoyment of spectators and to benefit local charities in the North St. Louis County area and beyond. All three official rounds will be internationally televised on Golf Channel. For more information, visit ascensioncharityclassic.com.

About PGA TOUR Champions

PGA TOUR Champions is a membership organization of professional golfers 50 and older, including 33 members of the World Golf Hall of Fame. The Tour's mission 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 and generate significant charitable and economic impact in tournament communities. All events are televised in the United States, with most receiving complete coverage on Golf Channel, the exclusive cable-television partner of PGA TOUR Champions. Internationally, telecasts air in excess of 170 countries and territories, reaching more than 340 million potential households, and distributed in 15+ markets via GOLFTV. Follow PGA TOUR Champions online at PGATOUR.com, at facebook.com/PGATOURChampions, on Twitter @ChampionsTour and on Instagram @pgatourchampions.

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