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Information



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June 1, 2009

Dear Classic Participant,

On behalf of the entire staff at The Ranch Country Club, I would like to welcome you to this year's event.

Included in this player guide is all the information that you need to know for this year's event. You will find a schedule of events, rules sheets, wagering information, and much more.

We hope you enjoy the inaugural 2009 Ranch Classic. If there is anything that my staff or I can do to enhance your time here, please do not hesitate to ask.

Good Luck!

Ed Oldham
Head Golf Professional



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Schedule of Events

Thursday, June 11

Player Registration	11:00 am – 12:30 pm
Player Lunch	11:00 am – 12:30 pm
First Nine Hole Match	12:30 pm shotgun
Second Nine Hole Match	3:30 pm shotgun
Contestants Cocktail Party	6:30 pm

Friday, June 12

Player's Breakfast	6:30 am—8:00 am
Final Nine Hole Match	8:00 am shotgun
The Classic Finals	11:00 am
Player's Lunch and Awards	1:00 pm



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The Matches

- Format:** Four Ball (Best Ball) Match Play
- Flights:** The field is flighted by handicap with four teams in each flight. Assignments to flights are based on the total combined USGA Handicap Indexes of the partners.
- Tees:** Players will compete from the Red tees.
- Handicap:** Players receive 100% of their index (June 1 revision) adjusted to a slope of 131. During the matches, the handicaps of all players will be reduced by the handicap of the lowest handicap player, who will then play from scratch.
- Matches:** Each team plays three nine-hole matches, one against each of the other three teams in their respective flight. Each match represents nine possible points, one point for winning a hole and 1/2 point for halving the hole. A team may win a maximum of seven points in any one match. The team with the most points after the three matches is the Flight Winner and advances to The Classic Finals. The two highest scoring teams that are not flight winners will also advance to The Finals as Wildcard teams.
- Tie-Breaker:** In the event of a tie for first place between two teams within a flight after the matches have been completed, the winner is determined by how the tying teams performed against each other. If the tying teams halved their match, the winner will be determined by a sudden-death playoff.
In the event of a tie for first place between three or more teams within a flight, the winner is determined by how the tying teams performed against each other. Points won by each team against the other tying teams are added together. The team with the most points advances to The Finals. If two or more teams are still tied, a sudden-death playoff will determine the winner.
- Rules:** USGA Rules govern play except as modified by Local Rules. This is a Match Play format.
- Additional Notes:** In the case of bad or threatening weather, the following signals will be used:

Suspend Play: Continuous Hi-Lo Tone
Resume Play: Continuous Solid Tone



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The Classic Finals

- Qualifiers:** All flight winners and the two highest scoring teams that are not flight winners advance to The Classic Finals. The Finals will begin at 11:00 am on Friday, June 12.
- Format:** Scotch (alternate shot) Horseshoe. Holes used for the competition will be determined. Partners will play alternately from the teeing grounds and alternately during play of each hole. Two teams will be eliminated following play of the first two holes. One team will be eliminated after each of the remaining holes.
- Handicap:** Teams receive 20% of the partners' combined 18-hole handicaps. All teams will be reduced by the handicap of the low handicapped team who shall then play from scratch.
- Tie-Breaker:** In the case of two or more teams tying for the high score on a hole, a best-ball chip-off will be held to determine the team(s) eliminated.
- Chip-off Procedure:** Each team's scoring chip will be the best chip of the two partners. Teams waiting to chip must turn their backs to the hole until it is their turn to chip.
- Players will be given the option of looking at the green prior to anyone playing a shot. After that opportunity, no player is allowed to walk up and look at the green before chipping.
- Galleries:** Galleries are encouraged during this event.



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Wagering

Team Buy-In

We will offer optional wagering in this year's event. Cost to enter is \$25/team in cash. Payouts will be based on total points won during the matches.. If all four teams in the flight enter, we will pay two places in each flight will be paid with 65% for 1st place and 35% for 2nd place. If three or less teams enter, we will pay 100% of the money to the first place team.

Pari-Mutuel

Pari-Mutuel wagering on The Classic Finals will take place between 10:30 am-11:00 am on Friday, June 12.

Other Information

Participants are encouraged to leave their clubs in our care during the event. At the conclusion of play on Thursday, please leave your golf clubs with our cart staff and we will store them and have them ready for you on Friday morning.

