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SECOND ANNUAL FORE! MILER PRESENTED BY OHIOHEALTH SET TO KICK OFF 2016 TOURNAMENT WEEK

Race will continue to highlight Nicklaus Children's Health Care Foundation and Nationwide Children's Hospital Alliance

FORE! Miler registration **NOW** open

Dublin, Ohio – Officials of the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide announced today the return of the FORE! Miler presented by OhioHealth, a 4-mile road race that will kick off the 41st playing of the prestigious PGA TOUR event hosted annually by golf legend Jack Nicklaus, May 30 – June 5, 2016 at Muirfield Village Golf Club. The race serves as a fundraiser that highlights and benefits the alliance between Nicklaus Children's Health Care Foundation and Nationwide Children's Hospital.

The FORE! Miler presented by OhioHealth will begin at <u>7:00 p.m.</u> on <u>Thursday, May 26</u>. The race will follow a route that starts and ends at Muirfield Village Golf Club and includes Memorial Drive, Avery Road, Brand Road, Muirfield Drive and Kinross Court. After the race, runners and walkers will enjoy a free Post-Race Party at the Golden Bear Club, an enclosed, climate-controlled venue located between the fairway at Hole No. 10 and the green at No. 14 at Muirfield Village Golf Club. The FORE! Miler is limited to the first 3,000 runners and walkers.

Registration for the FORE! Miler is <u>NOW</u> open. Race fees are \$45 per person through March 15, 2016; \$50 per person from March 16 through May 1; and \$55 per person starting May 2 until sold out. All proceeds from the FORE! Miler benefit Nationwide Children's Hospital. The inaugural race in 2015 raised \$40,000 for Nationwide Children's.

Race participants receive an Official FORE! Miler-themed Technical Race Shirt, an Official FORE! Miler-themed Finisher's Medal, one complimentary Practice Round ticket (\$35 value) to the Memorial Tournament (good for any one day, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, with Wednesday's ticket including access to the Official Pro-Am and Memorial Honoree Ceremony) and a complimentary adult beverage at the Post-Race Party.

"The inaugural race was a tremendous success and we're excited to partner this year with OhioHealth, City of Dublin, Nationwide and Perio, Inc. (makers of Barbasol and Pure Silk Shave Cream) as we continue to grow this community-focused event," said Memorial Tournament Executive Director Dan Sullivan. "The FORE! Miler is a perfect way to start off a week of celebration at the Memorial, while providing an additional platform for us to highlight the Nicklaus Children's Health Care Foundation and Nationwide Children's Hospital alliance."

The Memorial Tournament will once again collaborate with M3S Sports to operate the FORE! Miler. The Memorial and M3S will work closely with City of Dublin officials to create a first-class race experience for participants and Dublin residents alike.

"Dublin is home to a healthy and wellness-focused community," said Dublin City Manager Dana McDaniel. "The FORE! Miler is a great event kicking off one of the most important weeks in Dublin focused on world-class golf, hospitality and economic development. We value the opportunity to partner with the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide, OhioHealth, Perio and M3S Sports to bring a 'best of class' race and charitable event to central Ohio."

Race presenting sponsor OhioHealth is a leader in health and wellness in central Ohio and shares a common vision with the Memorial and City of Dublin to improve the health of the community.

"The FORE! Miler is a fun way for people to start the Tournament off with a focus on health and wellness," said Sue Jablonski, senior vice president and chief communications officer, OhioHealth. "We're excited to support an event that gets people moving and builds on our longstanding relationships with Nationwide Children's and the Memorial Tournament."

For more information and to register for the inaugural FORE! Miler presented by OhioHealth, please visit www.foremiler.com.

The 2016 Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide is scheduled for May 30 – June 5 at Muirfield Village Golf Club. The public may call the Tournament Ticket Office 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays at 877-MT BADGE (877-682-2343) or visit www.memorialbadges.com to purchase badges. Kids 16 and under can attend for free with a ticketed adult and kids 18 and under are admitted free on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 for Junior Golf Day. Daily practice round tickets for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday are also available. The introductory cost is \$35 through March 4, and they are valid for all three practice-round days.

About the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide

The Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide 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 many Greater Columbus Charities in alliance with the Nicklaus Children's Healthcare Foundation, Nationwide Children's and numerous other local organizations. For more information, visit www.thememorialtournament.com or call 614-889-6700.

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