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## Five-time major champion Phil Mickelson commits to the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide

*Memorial Tournament winners Hideki Matsuyama and Jim Furyk strengthen field*

Golden Bear Club nears sell out for third consecutive year

**Dublin, Ohio** – Officials of the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide announced today that World Golf Hall of Fame member and five-time major champion Phil Mickelson will compete in the 41<sup>st</sup> playing of the prestigious invitational Tournament hosted by golf legend Jack Nicklaus.

The Memorial also has accepted commitments from its 2014 winner Hideki Matsuyama, as well as major champion and 2002 Memorial winner Jim Furyk.

The Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide is May 30 – June 5 at world-renowned Muirfield Village Golf Club.

**Mickelson**, 45, will be making his 15<sup>th</sup> start at this year's Memorial. His first appearance came in 1991 as an amateur where he finished tied for 66<sup>th</sup> place. In his last 10 starts at the Memorial, dating to 1999, Mickelson has finished in the top-20 six times. He withdrew due to injuries in 2007 and 2012 and finished T-65 last year with rounds of 72-68-78-75. His Memorial Tournament scoring average is 71.67, with his best finish a T-4 outing in 2006. The World Golf Hall of Fame member and five-time major champion has career earnings in the Memorial of \$860,047.33. Through 12 starts in the 2015-2016 season the Rancho Santa Fe, California, resident has recorded four top-20 finishes, including a runner-up effort at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. Mickelson is currently ranked No. 17 in the Official World Golf Ranking and 20<sup>th</sup> in FedExCup standings. On the strength of 42 career PGA TOUR titles he is ranked No. 2 in career earnings on the PGA TOUR with \$79,530,748.

**Matsuyama**, 24, is coming off a successful sophomore campaign on the PGA TOUR. He recorded career bests in top-10 finishes (9 in 25 starts), earnings (\$3,758,619), and in FedExCup standings (No. 16). He

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has continued to play well this season, recording five top-10 finishes over 13 events, including his second career PGA TOUR title at the *Waste Management Phoenix Open* and a T-7 finish at the *Masters Tournament*, his second consecutive top-10 finish at Augusta. Matsuyama is ranked No. 14 in the world and stands No. 9 in FedExCup points and No. 6 on the PGA TOUR money list with \$2,860,135. Competing in his first Presidents Cup in 2013 at Muirfield Village Golf Club, he went 1-3-1 for the International team. In 2014, the Sendai, Japan, native became the youngest player to win the Memorial and the first since Roger Maltbie, who won the inaugural event in 1976, to record a victory in his first start at Muirfield Village Golf Club. He finished T5 in defense of his title last year to bring his Tournament earnings to \$1,342,300 and his scoring average over eight rounds to 68.88.

Memorial Tournament veteran and 2002 winner **Furyk** will be teeing it up for the 21<sup>st</sup> time at the 2016 installment of the Memorial. Furyk has career earnings at the Memorial totaling \$2,760,438.24, and a 70.90 scoring average, placing him third in both categories in Tournament history. His T-5 finish in 2015 marked his 19<sup>th</sup> made cut at Muirfield Village Golf Club and seventh top-10 finishes. A resident of Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., Furyk, 46, has recorded 17 TOUR wins and is currently ranked No. 25 in the world. The 2003 U.S. Open champion has been a member of seven U.S. Presidents Cup teams and nine U.S. Ryder Cup teams. Furyk is fourth all time in PGA TOUR career earnings with \$65,644,297.

Mickelson, Matsuyama and Furyk further strengthen a field at the 2016 Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide that boasts five of the top-10 players in the world, including No. 1 Jason Day, No. 2 Jordan Spieth and No. 3 Rory McIlroy. Day is coming off a wire-to-wire victory at last week's THE PLAYERS Championship and is the reigning PGA Championship winner. Spieth is the reigning U.S. Open champion and McIlroy a four-time major championship winner.

In other Tournament news, a limited number of badges for the **Golden Bear Club** are available as the popular venue approaches a sell out for a third consecutive year. The upgraded badge provides access to a menu of items for purchase catered by Cameron Mitchell Premier Events, a cash bar, television viewing, private restrooms, scoring terminals and open seating in a sports bar atmosphere.

The Golden Bear Club is located within the **Patron Village** in the heart of Tournament play between Hole No. 10 fairway and No. 14 green. Patron Village includes an area that is open to the public featuring upgraded food and beverage options, open patio seating and more.

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](http://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, for Junior Golf Day. Daily practice round tickets for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday are also available. The cost is \$35 and they are valid for all three practice-round days.

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### 2016 the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide Schedule of Events

Monday, May 30	Practice Rounds	All Day
Tuesday, May 31	Practice Rounds	All Day
Wednesday, June 1	Practice Rounds	All Day
	Nationwide Invitational at the Memorial (Official Pro-Am)	7:30am
	Patient Champion Program	7:30am
	Military Appreciation Day	All Day
	Junior Golf Day	All Day
	Honoree Ceremony (Driving Range) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Johnny Miller – Tournament Honoree plus Leo Diegel and Horton Smith</li> <li>▪ John Garrity – Memorial Golf Journalism award recipient plus Rhonda Glenn</li> </ul>	3:00pm
	Jack Nicklaus Golf Clinic (Driving Range)	4:30pm
Junior Golf Clinic (Safari Golf Club)	5:30pm	
Thursday - Sunday (June 2 - 5)	Tournament Play - 8:00 am start ( <i>estimated</i> ) <b><i>Trophy Presentation Following Play of Final Round</i></b>	

*\*All times subject to change*

### 2016 the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide Television Schedule

Date	Network	Times	Show Description
Wednesday, June 1	Golf Channel	4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M. (ET)	Live Honoree Ceremony
Thursday, June 2	Golf Channel	3:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M. (ET)	Live First Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	7:30 P.M. – 10:30 P.M. (ET)	First Round Replay
	Golf Channel	10:30 P.M. – 1:30 A.M. (ET)	First Round Replay
	Golf Channel	1:30 A.M. – 4:30 A.M. (ET)	First Round Replay
Friday, June 3	Golf Channel	3:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M. (ET)	Live Second Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	9:00 P.M. – 12:00 A.M. (ET)	Second Round Replay
	Golf Channel	4:00 A.M. – 7:00 A.M. (ET)	Second Round Replay
Saturday, June 4	Golf Channel	12:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	Live Bonus Coverage
	CBS	3:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.	Live Third Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	8:00 P.M. – 1:00 A.M.	Third Round Replay
	Golf Channel	3:00 A.M. – 7:00 A.M.	Third Round Replay
Sunday, June 5	Golf Channel	12:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.	Live Bonus Coverage
	CBS	2:30 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.	Live Final Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	7:00 P.M. – 12:30 A.M.	Final Round Replay
	Golf Channel	2:30 A.M. – 7:00 A.M.	Final Round Replay
Monday, June 6	Golf Channel	12:30 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.	Final Round Replay

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**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 Health Care Foundation, Nationwide Children's Hospital and numerous other local organizations. For more information, visit [www.thememorialtournament.com](http://www.thememorialtournament.com) or call 614-889-6700.

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