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## Reigning Masters champion Jordan Spieth joins world-class Tournament field

*Past Memorial Tournament winner and major champion  
Justin Rose also commits*

Golden Bear Club reaches sell out for second consecutive year

**Dublin, Ohio** – Officials of the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide announced today that the Tournament has accepted the commitment of Jordan Spieth, one of the best young players in professional golf and newly minted Masters champion, to compete in the 40<sup>th</sup> edition of the Memorial June 1-7 at world-renowned Muirfield Village Golf Club.

The Memorial has also accepted the commitment of seven-time PGA TOUR winner and 2013 U.S. Open Champion Justin Rose, who won the 2010 Memorial Tournament.

"I am delighted that Jordan and Justin are going to be part of a Memorial field that is shaping up to once again be among the strongest in golf," said Memorial Tournament founder and host Jack Nicklaus. "Justin is one of today's stars of the game, and we are proud that he is a past winner of the Memorial Tournament. He has become a great ambassador for his country and the game of golf."

"As I told Jordan after his Masters win, his victory at Augusta National was one of the more incredible performances I have seen. Jordan, at age 21, is mature beyond his years, as both a player and person. He has shown remarkable consistency, with 24 top-10 finishes in just three years on Tour. Jordan handles himself tremendously on and off the golf course, and is a wonderful representative of our game today and for many years to come."

**Spieth** burst onto the PGA TOUR in 2013 and recorded one of the top rookie performances in TOUR history, culminating with a selection to the U.S. Presidents Cup Team at Muirfield Village Golf Club. The 21-year-old Texas native recorded nine top-10 finishes during his rookie campaign, including his

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first-career PGA TOUR victory at the John Deere Classic. Spieth continued his inspired play last season, posting runner up finishes at the Hyundai Tournament of Champions and the Masters Tournament for a total of eight top-10 outings. Spieth has elevated his play to new heights in the 2014-2015 season, recording his second career PGA TOUR victory at the Valspar Championship and first major championship title at last month's Masters Tournament. He has posted two second place finishes to go with those victories and has a total of seven top-10s to date. Spieth currently sits a career-high No. 2 in the Official World Golf Ranking and No. 1 in FedExCup standings and scoring average at 69.252. He also sits atop the current money list with more than \$5.1 million to go with career earnings of \$13,396,387.

This will be Spieth's third straight Memorial Tournament appearance. He finished inside the top-20 for the first time last year when he tied for 19<sup>th</sup>, improving his Tournament scoring average to 72.25 and increasing his earnings to \$78,443.78.

**Rose**, 34, will make his 11<sup>th</sup> start at this year's Memorial, where he is ranked fifth on the Tournament's career money list with \$2,198,620, and ninth in scoring average with 71.24. Rose recorded his fifth top-10 finish, a T-8, at Muirfield Village Golf Club in 2013 but failed to make the cut last year after opening rounds of 73-72. A resident of London, England, Rose has recorded seven career PGA TOUR victories, his most recent win coming last month at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans. He has posted two top-10 finishes in the 2014-15 season, adding a runner-up effort to Spieth at the Masters. He is currently ranked No. 6 in the Official World Golf ranking and No. 15 in FedExCup points to go with career PGA TOUR earnings of \$31,542,356.

In other Tournament news, badges for the **Golden Bear Club** have officially sold out for the second consecutive year. Fans that purchased the upgraded badge will have 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 can call the Tournament Ticket Office 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays at 877-MT BADGE (877-682-2343) or visit <http://www.memorialbadges.com> to purchase badges. Weekly Patron badges, which are valid Monday through Sunday and provide access to the Tournament grounds, are available for \$173 each. Youth 16 and under can attend for free with a ticketed adult, and kids 18 and under are admitted free on Wednesday, June 3, 2015, 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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### 2015 the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide Schedule of Events

Monday, June 1	Practice Rounds	All Day
Tuesday, June 2	Practice Rounds	All Day
Wednesday, June 3	Practice Rounds	All Day
	Nationwide Invitational at the Memorial (Official Pro-Am)	7:20am
	Military Appreciation Day	All Day
	Junior Golf Day	All Day
	Honoree Ceremony	3:00pm
	▪Sir Nick Faldo – Tournament Honoree	
	▪Doc Giffin – Journalism Honoree	
	Jack Nicklaus Golf Clinic	4:30pm
	Junior Golf Clinic - Safari Golf Club	5:30pm
Thursday - Sunday (June 4 - 7)	Tournament Play - 8:00am start ( <i>estimated</i> ) <b><i>Trophy Presentation Following Play of Final Round</i></b>	

*\*All times subject to change*

### 2015 the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide Television Schedule

Date	Network	Times	Show Description
Thursday, June 4	Golf Channel	2:30 – 6:30 P.M. (ET)	Live First Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	7:30 P.M. – 11:30 P.M. (ET)	First Round Replay
	Golf Channel	12:30 A.M. – 4:30 A.M. (ET)	First Round Replay
Friday, June 5	Golf Channel	2:30 – 6:30 P.M. (ET)	Live Second Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	9:00 P.M. – 1:00 A.M. (ET)	Second Round Replay
	Golf Channel	3:00 A.M. – 6:00 A.M. (ET)	Second Round Replay
Saturday, June 6	Golf Channel	12:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	Live Bonus Coverage
	CBS/Direct TV	3:00 – 6:00 P.M.	Live Third Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	8:30 P.M – 1:30 A.M.	Third Round Replay
Sunday, June 7	Golf Channel	12:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.	Live Bonus Coverage
	CBS/ Direct TV	2:30 – 6:00 P.M.	Live Final Round Coverage
	Golf Channel	8:00 P.M – 1:30 A.M.	Final Round Replay
Monday, June 8	Golf Channel	1:00 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 Healthcare 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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