



**April 27 – May 3, 2015**  
**The Woodlands Country Club Tournament Course**  
**The Woodlands, TX**  
**Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,018 Purse: \$2,050,000**

**April 30, 2015**

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### **THURSDAY MEDIA ROUND-UP**

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#### **Bernhard Langer Begins Quest for Fourth Insperity Invitational Title on Friday**

Bernhard Langer, the only player to win consecutive Insperity Invitational title (2007-2008), will set out to defend his 2014 championship on Friday. Langer, who has not won in 2015, has only had one full season where he's not won within the first eight events (2012).

"This tournament is very special for many reasons. It was my first victory on the Champions Tour and then last year was my 20th victory on the Champions Tour," said Langer. "I won three times on two golf courses at this event. It is very unique that I have a chance to go four times which is awesome. I like everything about the tournament. It is well run, a great course, and a great sponsor."

Langer held off a charging Fred Couples by a stroke to win his third Insperity Invitational one year ago. Couples had an up-and-down front nine, but birdied the 10th hole to get within six strokes of Langer. Couples then proceeded to birdie four straight holes (12 through 15) and pulled within a stroke when Langer failed to get up and down from the greenside bunker at the par-3 16th hole. After Couples missed a five-foot par putt on 18, Langer played the final hole with a two-stroke cushion. Langer bogeyed the final hole, but still held on for a one-shot victory.

#### **Friday's Featured Pairings**

##### **Tee #1**

10:15 a.m. – Brad Bryant, Tommy Armour III, Jesper Parnevik  
11:05 a.m. – Colin Montgomerie, Bernhard Langer, Esteban Toledo  
11:15 a.m. – Tom Kite, Fred Funk, Lee Janzen  
11:35 a.m. – Bart Bryant, Olin Browne, Mark O'Meara  
12:05 p.m. – Michael Allen, Nick Price, Jeff Sluman

##### **Tee #10**

11:55 – John Cook, Kenny Perry, Hale Irwin

#### **What the Pros are Saying in the Media Center**

"It's a wonderful golf course. The Woodlands is a great track. I remember playing it in my days when I played the regular Tour in the Shell Houston Open and I think all the players love being here. The Insperity crew do a tremendous job of hosting us this week."

....Mark O'Meara

"It's amazing how good the guys still play. What Bernhard Langer has done out here, his accomplishments on the Champions Tour, at times I think he plays as good of golf as he's ever played in his life. And there's times when I play now that I hit it just as good as I did when I was really in my prime on the regular tour. So the quality of play really hasn't diminished that much."

...Mark O'Meara

"In a way – the course has got water on it – but it's quite more European. You can see all the greens, they're right in front of you. Fairways are pretty generous. You know, I think at the moment the way the course is playing, it's playing pretty long because it's wet and that will suite me again. As I said, it just

seems to suit my eye. Sometimes when I say that, it helps me to play better.”

...Ian Woosnam

“I won my first two tournaments on the PGA TOUR in 1991 back-to-back, and a friend of mine mentioned it to me when I got home to Atlanta, that I did that. I was like, okay, that’s in my head, that’s kind of cool. So it would be kind of neat to be able to do it again this week. I think both Joe and I feel the same way. You win as a team, and you win your first event, but you like to do it on your own. You like to win like everybody else, and it’s not a team concept. We are both looking forward to playing this week, and seeing if we can have a chance on Sunday.”

...Billy Andrade

### **Esteban Toledo Makes His Prediction on Saturday’s Big Fight**

Esteban Toledo – the winner of the 2013 Insuperity Invitational – will be scrapping it out with 79 of the best golfers on the Champions Tour this week in search of his second title at The Woodlands Country Club Tournament Course. But following Saturday’s second round, his focus will be squarely on the big fight when Floyd Mayweather and Manny Pacquiao take to the ring.

Toledo was a professional boxer for four years, and had a 16-1 record, but appendicitis cut his career short. [Click here](#) to check out Toledo’s prediction on the fight.

### **3M Oil and Gas Greats of Golf to Visit Media Center at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday**

The Greats of Golf are coming back! Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player and Lee Trevino will visit the media center at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 2.

For the past three years, thousands of fans have lined the fairways to watch a collection of the game’s greatest legends share laughter and competition during one of the best Champions Tour events on the calendar. Once again the likes of Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player and Lee Trevino – along with the likes of **Tony Jacklin, David Graham, Don January, Dave Stockton, Charles Coody and for the first time – Tom Weiskopf** – will tee it up in the 3M Oil & Gas Greats of Golf competition.

Tee Times are as follows:

#### **Team 1**

Don January  
Tony Jacklin  
Dave Stockton

#### **Team 2**

David Graham  
Tom Weiskopf  
Charles Coody

#### **Team 3**

Jack Nicklaus  
Gary Player  
Lee Trevino

This legendary and world-class group of the game’s greatest players - which includes five World Golf Hall of Fame members who have combined for more than 300 PGA TOUR victories, over 50 major championships and more than 150 Champions Tour titles - will tee off following the last tee time of the official competition. Players will be grouped in threesomes and will play an 18-hole scramble format.

### **Catch Insuperity Invitational Action on the Golf Channel**

A broadcast of the 2015 Insuperity Invitational can be viewed each day on the Golf Channel at the following times:

Friday, May 1            1:30-3:30 p.m. (Live)  
Saturday, May 2        6:30-8:30 p.m. (Tape Delayed)  
Sunday, May 3          4-6p.m. (Live)

### **Did You Know?**

- The first 1,000 spectators through the main gate on Friday, Saturday and Sunday will get a gift item as a souvenir;
- Fred Funk, Curtis Strange, Mark Brooks and Hal Sutton all won Shell Houston Open titles on The Woodlands Countr Club Tournament Course;
- Bernhard Langer's 16 birdies last year marked the second time in the last three years that an Insperity champion totaled that number...Esteban Toledo's six bogeys in 2013 tied for the most by a champion;
- In the previous 11 Insperity Invitational events, six second-round leaders/co-leaders have gone on to win (Jay Haas in 2006, Bernhard Langer in 2007, 2008, 2014, Brad Faxon in 2011 and Fred Funk in 2012);
- The playoff between Esteban Toledo, Gene Sauers, and Mike Goodes in 2013 was only the second time extra holes were played in the history of the tournament.

### **Insperity Invitational Radar::**

- The 12th annual Insperity Invitational presented by UnitedHealthcare will be contested Friday, May 1 to Sunday, May 3. Tee times on Friday begin at 10:30 a.m., Saturday at 7:30 a.m., and Sunday's round will start at 9:30 a.m.;
- The Insperity Invitatioanl benefits local Houston charities including: STPGA Junior Programs, Arabia Shriners, Interfaith of The Woodlands, and UnitedHealthcare Children's Foundation. The tournament is also a partner with the Houston affiliate of the Susan G. Komen for the Cure. A "PINK OUT" will take place on Saturday, May 2 in support of breast cancer awareness. **All spectators are encouraged to show their support and wear pink on Saturday.**

### **Tournament Information:**

Event web site – [www.insperityinvitational.com](http://www.insperityinvitational.com)

Field List – <http://www.insperityinvitational.com/uploads/2015/04/Final-Field-Insperity-Invitational-2015.pdf>

Press releases – <http://www.insperityinvitational.com/media/press-releases/>

Champions Tour information - <http://pgatourgolfmedia.com> (must login)

### **Ticket and Parking Information:**

The Insperity Invitational offers free grounds only admission tickets courtesy of Insperity, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Woodforest National Bank and HP. The grounds ticket also includes free parking and shuttle service. Parking will be available at Woodforest Bank Stadium, 19115 David Memorial Drive in Shenandoah, and a shuttle service will run to and from the course.

For updated information on all aspects of the Insperity Invitational, fans are encouraged to visit [www.InsperityInvitational.com](http://www.InsperityInvitational.com).

### **About the Insperity Invitational presented by UnitedHealthcare**

A Champions Tour event, the Insperity Invitational presented by UnitedHealthcare features the world's premier golfers age 50 and older. Last year's tournament winner Bernhard Langer, will be returning to the Insperity Invitational to defend his title and play for a purse of \$2,050 million on April 27-May 3, 2015. The Insperity Invitational is managed and operated by ProLinks Sports. In 2008, the tournament received the prestigious Presidents Award as the best event on the Champions Tour and in 2011 received the President's Award for Excellence in Achievement. In 2012, the tournament received The Players Award for having the "best of everything" for the players, sponsors and spectators. Past champions include Larry Nelson, Jay Haas, Mark McNulty, three-time winner Bernhard Langer, John Cook, Fred Couples, Brad Faxon, Fred Funk and Esteban Toledo. The tournament is grateful to have

support from these official corporate partners: 3M, Woodforest National Bank, Donoho's Jewellers, Breitling, Sports Radio 610, Houston Chronicle, Dr Pepper/Seven-Up, Michelob Ultra, National Car Rental, Jaguar, MD Anderson Cancer Center and HP For more information about the Insperty Invitational, visit [www.insperityinvitational.com](http://www.insperityinvitational.com).

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