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# Padraig Harrington Wins 2024 Hoag Classic at Newport Beach Country Club

Fans attended the PGA TOUR Champions event, which has raised more than \$25 million for Hoag's programs and services

**NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., March 24, 2024** --- The 2024 Hoag Classic, Orange County's only PGA TOUR Champions event, returned to Newport Beach Country Club on March 20 through 24, 2024 with Hoag as title sponsor and presenting partners City National Bank and McCarthy Building Companies.

With an impressive PGA TOUR Champion lineup competing for the \$2 million purse, 2024 World Golf Hall of Fame inductee Padraig Harrington offset two final-round double bogeys with back-to-back birdies on Nos. 17 and 18 to claim his seventh win on PGA TOUR Champions.

Throughout tournament week attendees enjoyed watching World Golf Hall of Fame legends and other major championship winners including Darren Clarke, Fred Couples, David Duval, John Daly, Ernie Els, Jim Furyk, Miguel Angel Jimenez, Colin Montgomerie, Vijay Singh, and Steve Stricker.

"Newport Beach has served as home to the Hoag Classic from its inception and remains a player favorite on the PGA TOUR Champions," said Scott Easton, executive director of the Hoag Classic. "A tremendous thanks to Hoag as title sponsor, our presenting partners City National Bank and McCarthy Building Companies, more than 200 other corporate partners, and our tremendous volunteers who help make this event possible."

As one of the largest philanthropic events in PGA TOUR Champions history, the Hoag Classic has raised more than \$25 million in total proceeds for Hoag's program and services, as well as other local educational and military charities.

"This year's Hoag Classic was once again an outstanding event," said Robert T. Braithwaite, president, and CEO of Hoag. "Hoag is proud to be a partner and beneficiary of the annual tournament. Through the incredible generosity and support





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from the Hoag Classic, we've been able to significantly expand access to the worldclass health and wellness services Hoag provides."

The Hoag Classic Championship Weekend began on Friday, March 22 with the Opening Round presented by City National Bank. Following the finish of an exhilarating first round, sponsors, partners and friends of the Hoag Classic celebrated at the Opening Party hosted at VEA Newport Beach pool deck featuring a performance by nationally acclaimed multi-platinum country recording artist Parmalee.

Saturday, March 23 honored current and former servicemen and women with Military Appreciation Day, presented by CoreLogic. During the final rounds on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole the 2024 military honorees were recognized and celebrated. This year's honorees included:

- Colonel Robert Chandler, USAF
- Staff Sergeant Tracie Murray, CA ARNG
- Specialist Wally Ziegler, USA
- Major Hammond McKie Salley, USA
- Captain Kim Buike, USN, Retired
- Lieutenant Ed Roski, USMC
- Captain Kent Valley, USMC
- Colonel Melvin K. F. Lee, USFA, Retired
- Commander Thomas Velling M.D. USN

Military Appreciation Day also featured the inaugural Celebrity Challenge featuring former Angels pitcher Jim Abbott; former NFL running back & USC Trojan Reggie Bush; former NFL running back & Hall of Famer Marshall Faulk; and NFL quarterback & USC Trojan Matt Barkley. The group followed the final pairing of PGA TOUR Champions professionals and played in two, 2-man best ball teams. Abbott and Faulk won the round raising \$18,000 for the U.S. Navy Memorial Foundation and Bush and Barkley raised \$15,000 for the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation.

For the Final Round on Sunday, March 24, attendees ages 18 and under received complimentary admission for Student Day, presented by Kingston Technology. Kingston Technology awarded \$70,000 in scholarships to the Hoag Employee Scholarship Program for non-nursing employees who are actively pursuing education to advance their careers at Hoag. The recipients included:

- Adela Zuniga
- Lindsey Borrego
- Michael Ho
- Peter Micheal
- Rena Cabera

- Juana Rosa Fields
- Sebastian Cox
- Lorena Hurtado Amaro
- Sharon Correa
- Devyn Fox







- Peyton Hernandez
- Brian Hodges

- Manuel Trujillo Maciel
- Monique Porraz

For more information, visit HoagClassic.com.

# ABOUT THE HOAG CLASSIC

For one week each year, the international spotlight shines brightly on Orange County's only official PGA TOUR Champions event. Hosted at Newport Beach Country Club, the Hoag Classic, showcases golf legends such as Fred Couples, Retief Goosen, Ernie Els, Jim Furyk and Steve Stricker as they compete with more than 70 other PGA TOUR legends for the title. As one of the largest philanthropic events in PGA TOUR Champions history, the Hoag Classic has raised over \$25 million in total proceeds for Hoag's program and services, as well as other local educational and military charities. For more information visit <u>www.HoagClassic.com</u>.

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#### **ABOUT HOAG**

Hoag is a nonprofit, regional health care delivery system in Orange County, California. Delivering world-class, comprehensive, personalized care, Hoag consists of 1,800 top physicians, 16 urgent care facilities, 11 health & wellness centers, and two award-winning hospitals. Hoag offers a comprehensive blend of health care services that includes seven institutes providing specialized services in the following areas: <u>cancer</u>, <u>digestive health</u>, <u>heart and vascular</u>, <u>neurosciences</u>, <u>spine</u>, <u>women's health</u>, and orthopedics through Hoag's affiliate, <u>Hoag Orthopedic Institute</u>, which consists of an orthopedic hospital and four ambulatory surgical centers. Hoag is the highest ranked hospital in Orange County by U.S. News & World Report and the only OC hospital ranked in the Top 10 in California, as well as a designated Magnet<sup>®</sup> hospital by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC). For more information, visit <u>hoag.org</u>.

# ABOUT PGA TOUR CHAMPIONS

PGA TOUR Champions is a membership organization of professional golfers age 50 and older, including 35 members of the World Golf Hall of Fame. The Tour's mission is to provide financial opportunities for its players, entertain and inspire its fans, deliver substantial value to its partners, create outlets for volunteers to give back and generate significant charitable and economic impact in tournament communities. Follow PGA TOUR Champions online at PGATOUR.com, on Facebook, on Twitter (@ChampionsTour), on Instagram (@pgatourchampions) and on TikTok (pgatourchampions).





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## ABOUT NEWPORT BEACH COUNTRY CLUB

Newport Beach Country Club is an exclusive and iconic Country Club in famed Newport Beach, CA. Perched above the famed Pacific Coast Highway, NBCC has captured the spirit of the Southern California lifestyle for more than 65 years. Spanning nearly 56,000 square feet and boasting panoramic views of emerald fairways and sapphire seas, the Clubhouse makes an architectural statement on coastal California Craftsman design. With a course originally designed by world-renowned designer William "Billy" Bell, NBCC has been one of the most popular stops on the PGA Champions Tour for more than 25 years and is the home of the annual Hoag Classic.

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