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Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic Schedule of Events Announced

Biloxi, Miss. (April 22) – The organizers of the Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic April 28-May 2 at Fallen Oak are planning more than just a great golf tournament on the Champions Tour. The new event will offer true Gulf Coast-style festivities as well as a chance to see the best players in the game.

The schedule of events and on-site festivities will start Thursday night with a Hard Rock Pool Party, featuring music sensation SASS. Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at the door (Tournament volunteers admitted free).

In recognition of another great sporting event on the same weekend, attendees are invited to a Kentucky Derby Party and an outdoor concert presented by Beau Rivage following play on Saturday on the clubhouse lawn. Mint Juleps will be flowing and a jumbo screen will show the race live.

Fallen Oak will be a main attraction too, with golfers who own 27 major championships challenging the 7,054-yard layout that was recent voted the best course in the state.

“We want the Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic to be the top event on the Champions Tour for the players and a celebration for South Mississippi,” said Steve Nieman, tournament director.

Complimentary admission will be offered to all active and retired military personnel and their families on Friday and to college students (with valid college photo ID) on Saturday. Additionally, children age 15 and under will be admitted free any day when accompanied by a ticketed adult. To create great viewing areas, grandstands for general spectators will be available on holes 1, 9, 17 and 18 and party decks will overlook the 9th and 18th greens.

A complete schedule of events is listed below.

Tournament tickets are on sale through Ticketmaster online or by calling the Tournament office at (228) 896-6365 for \$15 each and they can be used any day of the tournament. Tickets will also be on sale at the gate. All general parking will be staged at the IP Resort and Spa. Visit www.msgulfresortclassic.com for details and directions.

The Classic is one of 26 official events on the Champions Tour for 2010, and the field of 78 players will compete for the \$1.6 million purse and a \$240,000 first prize. Competitive rounds in the 54-hole event are set for Friday through Sunday. The popular pro-am tournaments will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, and they are open to the public with paid admission. The benefiting charity of the tournament is Habitat for Humanity of the Mississippi Gulf Coast.



Fallen Oak is the exclusive home course for the guests of Beau Rivage Resort and Casino. The Tom Fazio-designed course, which was opened in 2006, has earned 12 national honors and is ranked the second best gaming resort course in the country.

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Wednesday, April 28

7:15 a.m. (approximately) -- Official Pro-Am with professional golfers and amateur partners in a team format.

Thursday, April 29

7:15 a.m. (approximately) -- Official Pro-Am with professional golfers and amateur partners in a team format.

7 p.m. – Hard Rock Pool Party. Music by SASS. Food and drinks (2) with admission. Tickets \$10 at the door; free for Tournament volunteers.

Friday, April 30 – Military Appreciation Day (Free Admission for all Military Personnel with IDs)

7:30 a.m. – First tee time for round one of the Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic

5:30 p.m. – Golf Channel tape-delayed coverage

Saturday, May 1 – College Day (Free Admission with College Picture ID)

7:30 a.m. – First tee time for round two of the Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic

4:30 p.m. – Kentucky Derby Party and concert (immediately following play) at the clubhouse lawn

5:30 p.m. – Golf Channel tape-delayed coverage

Sunday, May 2

7:30 a.m. – First tee time for final round of the Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic

4:30 p.m. – Awards Ceremony (immediately follow play), featuring special military presence

6 p.m. – Golf Channel tape-delayed coverage

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