



## *Coston wins sixth Senior PGA Championship*

Tumwater, WA – Jeff Coston of Semiahmoo G&CC (Blaine, WA), winner of the Pacific Northwest Senior PGA Professional Championship on September 9<sup>th</sup> at Bear Creek CC will lead 10 Section PGA Professionals to compete Oct. 6-9, in the 23<sup>rd</sup> Southworth Senior PGA Professional National Championship.

The National Championship, presented by Mercedes-Benz, will be conducted for the first time at Creighton Farms of Aldie, Va., and River Creek Club of Leesburg, Va.

Coston turned in a winning total of two-under-par 142 to capture his six straight Pacific Northwest Senior PGA Professional Championship supported by Southworth Development LLC and Mercedes-Benz. Doug Doxsie of Seattle GC (Seattle, WA) of (City, State) finished three strokes back at 145. They are joined by Tom Sovay of GC at Redmond Ridge (Mikilteo, WA), Brent Murray of Oswego Lake CC (Lake Oswego, OR), Jeff Shaw of Hacks Promotions (Seattle, WA), Jim Pike of Sahalee CC (Redmond, WA), Jeff Fought of Blacke Butte Ranch (Sisters, OR), Chuck Milne of Vanco Driving Range (Vancouver, WA) and Steve Stull of Canyon Lakes GC (Richland, WA).

Mark Keating of Astoria G&CC (Astoria, OR) aced the ninth hole with a 5-iron from 204 yards. Congratulations Mark!

Ted Wurtz of MeadowMeer G&CC (Bainbridge Island, WA) won the Senior Division after beating his age. Ryan O'Donnell of Columbia Edgewater CC (Portland, OR) and Rick Adell of Bellevue, WA tied for first in the net division of the Senior Division.

The Southworth Senior PGA Professional National Championship brings together a field of 264 contestants representing The PGA of America's 41 nationwide Sections, and features a total purse of \$285,000 on both courses over the first two rounds. Creighton Farms, a Jack Nicklaus Signature Golf Course, will host the final 36 holes.

This marks the Senior PGA Professional National Championship's first year of title sponsorship by Southworth Development, which has headquarters in Newton, Mass., and presenting sponsor Mercedes-Benz.

Creighton Farms, a par-72, 7,410-yard layout that opened in 2008, was one of two private courses in the world to achieve recognition by *Golf Digest*, *GOLF Magazine* and *Travel Leisure Golf* in the same season. In 2009, Golfweek selected Creighton Farms among its "Best New Private Golf Courses." Creighton Farms reflects the Nicklaus trademark of a challenging design, focusing on course management strategy and precision rather than power.

River Creek Club, a challenging, 7,036-yard, par-72 layout, was designed by Ault, Clark & Associates, with Tom Clark of Marshall, Va., the lead architect in the regional firm. River Creek Club made its debut in 1997 as

one of three golf courses nestled on the Potomac River, and bearing challenging, large undulating greens as its signature and most prominent set of challenges.

Begun in 1989, the Senior PGA Professional National Championship is modeled after the PGA Professional National Championship, with a field of 50-and-older senior PGA Professionals who advanced through 41 Section Championships conducted from July through September this year.

The top 35 finishers in the National Championship earn a berth in the 73rd Senior PGA Championship presented by KitchenAid, which will be conducted May 24-27, 2012, at The Golf Club at Harbor Shores in Benton Harbor, Mich. The top five finishers earn an exemption into the final stage of the 2011 Champions Tour National Finals. Since its debut, many participants in the Senior PGA Professional National Championship have used their success in the event as a springboard to a Champions Tour career.

#### **About Southworth Development LLC**

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1	Coston, Jeff	Semiahmoo G&CC	71	71	142	\$1,500.00
2	Doxsie, Doug	Seattle GC	70	75	145	\$1,000.00
3	White, Neal	Wing Point G&CC	72	74	146	\$900.00
4	Keating, Mark	Astoria G&CC	71	77	148	\$850.00
5	Sovay, Tom	GC at Redmond Ridge	78	72	150	\$775.00
	Murray, Brent	Oswego Lake CC	74	76	150	\$775.00
7	Gardner, Mark	The Creek at Qualchan	75	76	151	\$575.00
	Shaw, Jeff	Hack Promotions, Inc	77	74	151	\$575.00
	Milne, Chuck	Vanco Driving Range	74	77	151	\$575.00
	Fought, Jeff	Black Butte Ranch	76	75	151	\$575.00
	Pike, Jim	Sahalee CC	76	75	151	\$575.00
	Stull, Steve	Canyon Lakes GC	75	76	151	\$575.00
13	Barbic, Zdravko	Gearhart Golf Links	78	74	152	\$375.00
	Staskus, Tom	Capital City GC	76	76	152	\$375.00
	Krieger, Scott	Broadmoor GC	76	76	152	\$375.00
16	Comella, Ray	Eastmoreland GC	75	78	153	\$229.17
	Schuh, Craig	Deer Park GC	83	70	153	\$229.17
	Cline, J.D.	Bear Creek CC	80	73	153	\$229.17
	Johnson, Jerry	Ocean Shores, WA	71	82	153	\$229.17
	Arey, Sean	Trysting Tree GC	77	76	153	\$229.17
	Bishop, Kevin	Olympia Golf Learning	78	75	153	\$229.17

**Senior Division - Gross**

1	Wurtz, Ted	Meadowmeer GC	78	72	150	\$550.00
2	Otto, Don	Sah-hah-lee GC	79	73	152	\$337.50
	Bobillot, David	Eaglemont GC	79	73	152	\$337.50

**Senior Division - Net**

1	O'Donnell, Ryan	Columbia Edgewater	67	78	145	\$475.00
	Adell, Rick	Bellevue, WA	71	74	145	\$475.00
3	Schopf, Gary	Camaloch GC	71	76	147	\$275.00