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## **CARTER, CHALMERS AND PAREL GRAB FINAL THREE 2024 COLOGUARD CLASSIC BY EXACT SCIENCES SPOTS AT MONDAY QUALIFIER**

**Tucson, Ariz.** (March 4, 2024) – Jim Carter (6-under, 66), Greg Chalmers (5-under, 67), and Scott Parel (4-under, 68 playoff) grabbed the final three playing spots in the 2024 Cologuard Classic by Exact Sciences field at the Cologuard Classic Monday Qualifier at Oro Valley Country Club. The Cologuard Classic by Exact Sciences will be played March 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> at La Paloma Country Club.

The 2024 Cologuard Classic will feature a 78-player field competing for a \$2.2 million purse, with \$330,000 to the winner. 2023 Cologuard Classic champion David Toms returns to defend his title against 2018 tournament champion Steve Stricker; 2022 Charles Schwab Cup winner Steven Alker; 2022 Cologuard Classic champion Miguel Angel Jimenez; Cologuard ambassador Jerry Kelly; as well as World Golf Hall of Fame members Fred Couples, Ernie Els, Retief Goosen and Colin Montgomerie. Pdraig Harrington and Stewart Cink will make their Cologuard Classic by Exact Sciences debuts, while Davis Love III will be playing in the event for the second time (2021). Other past tournament champions currently in the field include Marco Dawson (2015), Woody Austin (2016), Tom Lehman (2017), Mark O'Meara (2019), and Kevin Sutherland (2021). The five sponsor exemptions are Cameron Beckman, Ho-sung Choi, Jonathan Kaye, Ted Purdy and Boo Weekly.

The field currently includes the following golfers:

### **Cologuard Classic by Exact Sciences Alpha Field List as of 3/4/2024**

Alker, Steven	Clarke, Darren	Janzen, Lee
Allan, Steve	Couples, Fred	Jiménez, Miguel Angel
Allen, Michael	Dawson, Marco	Kaye, Jonathan+
Ames, Stephen	DiMarco, Chris	Kelly, Jerry
Andrade, Billy	Duke, Ken	Lehman, Tom
Appleby, Stuart	Durant, Joe	Leonard, Justin
Austin, Woody	Duval, David	Love III, Davis
Barron, Doug	Els, Ernie	Maggert, Jeff
Beckman, Cameron +	Estes, Bob	Mayfair, Billy
Bertsch, Shane	Flesch, Steve	McCarron, Scott
Bransdon, David	Frost, David	Mediate, Rocco
Broadhurst, Paul	Funk, Fred	Montgomerie, Colin
Calcavecchia, Mark	Gay, Brian	O'Meara, Mark
Carter, Jim ^	Gonzalez, Ricardo	O'Neil, Tim
Cejka, Alex	Goosen, Retief	Pampling, Rod
Chalmers, Greg ^	Goydos, Paul	Parel, Scott^
Choi, Ho Sung +	Green, Richard	Pavin, Corey
Choi, K.J.	Harrington, Pdraig	Pernice Jr., Tom
Cink, Stewart	Hensby, Mark	Petrovic, Tim

Pride, Dicky  
Purdy, Ted +  
Quigley, Brett  
Sauers, Gene  
Senden, John  
Slocum, Heath  
Sluman, Jeff

Stankowski, Paul  
Stricker, Steve  
Sutherland, Kevin  
Tanigawa, Ken  
Tiziani, Mario  
Toms, David  
Triplett, Kirk

Verplank, Scott  
Waldorf, Duffy  
Weekley, Boo+  
Weir, Mike  
Wi, Charlie  
Wright, Michael  
Yang, Y.E.

+ = Sponsor Exemption

^ = Monday Qualifier

Golf fans donating non-perishable food items or making a minimum \$5 donation to the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona will receive a complimentary general admission ticket to Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> of the 2024 Cologuard Classic by Exact Sciences, compliments of presenting sponsor Exact Sciences. Non-perishable food items and monetary donations will be collected at the PGA TOUR Champions tournament's main entrance on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, in exchange for a complimentary general admission ticket. In tandem with this program, Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> is also Dress in Blue Day at the Cologuard Classic by Exact Sciences, commemorating National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. Fans, players, caddies and announcers are encouraged to wear blue to help raise awareness of colon cancer.

Over the past seven years, charity and community impact have been at the core of the Cologuard Classic by Exact Sciences. Southern Arizona youth sports and colon cancer awareness initiatives have benefitted from tournament proceeds, including more than \$3.1 million since the 2018 tournament, the first with Cologuard® as title sponsor.

The Cologuard Classic by Exact Sciences PGA TOUR Champions golf tournament raises awareness of colorectal cancer, highlights different screening options, and honors those affected by the disease. For more information on the Cologuard Classic, visit [www.CologuardClassic.com](http://www.CologuardClassic.com). This globally recognized tournament is made possible by title sponsor Exact Sciences, the Tucson Conquistadores, volunteers, fans, key community partnerships as well as organizations such as The University of Arizona and Operation Hat Trick.

#### **About Exact Sciences Corp.**

A leading provider of cancer screening and diagnostic tests, Exact Sciences gives patients and health care professionals the clarity needed to take life-changing action earlier. Building on the success of the Cologuard® and Oncotype® tests, Exact Sciences is investing in its pipeline to develop innovative solutions for use before, during, and after a cancer diagnosis. For more information, visit [ExactSciences.com](http://ExactSciences.com), follow Exact Sciences on X (formally known as Twitter) @ExactSciences, or find Exact Sciences on LinkedIn and Facebook.

#### **About Cologuard®**

The Cologuard test was approved by the FDA in August 2014, and results from Exact Sciences' prospective 90-site, point-in-time, 10,000-patient pivotal trial were published in the New England Journal of Medicine in March 2014. The Cologuard test is included in the American Cancer Society's (2018) colorectal cancer screening guidelines and the recommendations of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (2021) and National Comprehensive Cancer Network (2016). The Cologuard test is indicated to screen adults 45 years of age and older who are at average risk for colorectal cancer by detecting certain DNA markers and blood in the stool. Do not use the Cologuard test if you have had precancer, have inflammatory bowel disease and certain hereditary syndromes, or have a personal or family history of colorectal cancer. The Cologuard test is not a replacement for colonoscopy in high-risk patients. The Cologuard test performance in adults

ages 45-49 is estimated based on a large clinical study of patients 50 and older. The Cologuard test performance in repeat testing has not been evaluated.

The Cologuard test result should be interpreted with caution. A positive test result does not confirm the presence of cancer. Patients with a positive test result should be referred for colonoscopy. A negative test result does not confirm the absence of cancer. Patients with a negative test result should discuss with their doctor when they need to be tested again. Medicare and most major insurers cover the Cologuard test. For more information about the Cologuard test, visit [www.cologuard.com](http://www.cologuard.com). Rx only.

#### **About The Tucson Conquistadores**

The Tucson Conquistadores, Inc. is a nonprofit organized for the purpose of supporting local youth and special needs amateur athletics primarily in Southern Arizona, with an emphasis on offering life enhancing opportunities to give back to the local community. The Conquistadores are comprised of up to 59 active business and professional members and a total membership of 223 who represent a cross-section of the Tucson community. The Conquistadores have raised more than \$37.2 million for local charities since their inception in 1962, including more than \$3,091,000 since the 2018 tournament, Cologuard's first as title sponsor. Key beneficiaries of the Conquistadores' fundraising efforts include Southern Arizona youth athletic programs, First Tee-Tucson and colon cancer advocacy organizations. In addition to their involvement with professional golf, the group has also established the Tucson Conquistadores Foundation. Follow the Tucson Conquistadores online at [www.tucsonconquistadores.com](http://www.tucsonconquistadores.com).

#### **About La Paloma Country Club**

Nestled in the Santa Catalina Mountains, La Paloma Country Club is Tucson's premier private club, featuring 27-holes of Jack Nicklaus Signature golf. The club's new Toptracer Range enhances an already impressive member experience that includes a host of recently elevated amenities, including an expanded clubhouse, event and activities lawn, halfway house, and fitness center. In addition to golf amenities, La Paloma members enjoy 10 tennis courts, four pickleball courts, access to five food and beverage venues, a junior Olympic-sized swimming pool, a five-pool aquatic playground, and the La Paloma Spa & Salon. Managed by Troon Privé, the private club operating division of Troon, La Paloma Country Club is part of the beautiful 250-acre Westin La Paloma Resort and Spa. For more information on La Paloma Country Club, visit [www.lapalomacc.com](http://www.lapalomacc.com) or call 520-618-4000.

#### **About The Westin La Paloma Resort & Spa**

The iconic Westin La Paloma Resort & Spa is a lush, 250-acre desert retreat nestled in the foothills of Tucson's Santa Catalina Mountains boasting breathtaking mountain, desert and golf course views. The property recently underwent a \$35 million rejuvenation, including all 487 of Tucson's largest and most luxurious guest rooms, which range from 475 to 1900 square feet. Every aspect of the Resort has been reinvented, from guestrooms and suites, to golf course bunkers, to the five expansive pools. The resort has also been ranked as the #1 Westin property in North America for Meeting Planner satisfaction for six of the last eight years. The resort features five swimming pools, a 27-hole Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course, Elizabeth Arden Red Door Spa, five restaurants, a Tennis & Health Center, Westin Kids Club and retail shopping. The newly renovated 475 square foot Traditional Guest Rooms includes a large work area with a two-line speakerphone with data port, wireless internet access, voice messaging, 42" HD-TV, in-room movies, laptop-sized safe, full size ironing board and iron, Starbucks's coffee and gourmet tea. Guest rooms also feature Westin's exclusive Heavenly Bed®, Heavenly Bathroom and Heavenly Mirror. Tucson International Airport is 30 minutes away.

#### **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](https://www.pgatour.com), on [Facebook](#), on [X](#) (formerly Twitter - @ChampionsTour), on [Instagram](#) (@pgatourchampions) and on [TikTok](#) (pgatourchampions).

All events are televised in the United States on Golf Channel, the exclusive cable-television partner of PGA TOUR Champions. Internationally, PGA TOUR Champions coverage is available in more than 170 countries and territories via 22 media partners.

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