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GENERAL ADMISSION TICKET HOLDERS ON WEDNESDAY WILL GET TO EXPERIENCE THE ICONIC 16TH HOLE

**WEDNESDAY AT THE WASTE MANAGEMENT PHOENIX OPEN
DECLARED “THE PEOPLE’S DAY AT THE PEOPLE’S OPEN”**

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. – Tournament Chairman Scott Jenkins and the host Thunderbirds are declaring Wednesday (Feb. 3) during tournament week of the 2021 Waste Management Phoenix Open as “The People’s Day at The People’s Open”. This day will be exclusively for anyone with a Wednesday general admission ticket and will allow those limited number of fans to experience the famed 16th hole, subject to strict capacity limitations. Limited tickets for Wednesday are still available at WMPhoenixOpen.com.

“Waste Management Phoenix Open fans are some of the greatest fans in all of golf,” Jenkins said. “We are very excited to provide a special opportunity for our fans to experience the iconic 16th hole in a socially distanced and responsible way. Our strict COVID safety protocols, such as mandatory wearing of masks, will be enforced throughout the entire tournament, including the 16th hole. ”

Wednesday’s event lineup includes the ever-popular Annexus Pro-Am, which features PGA TOUR professionals playing alongside community and business leaders, as well as celebrities from the world of sports and entertainment. Scheduled to appear this year include Larry Fitzgerald, Michael Phelps, Darius Rucker, Archie Bradley, Nolan Arenado, Alexandra O’Laughlin, Rob Riggle, Zac Gallen, Gerina Piller and others.

Wednesday also showcases the Phoenix Suns Charities Shot at Glory, which takes place on the famed 16th hole after the Pro-Am and highlights charities, sponsors and celebs taking a shot at \$1 million for charity.

The field for the 2021 tournament is one of the best ever and features five of the Top-10 golfers in the world and 21 of the Top-50, including first-time participant Rory McIlroy and defending champion Webb Simpson. Other world-class players and fan favorites in the field include Jon Rahm, Justin Thomas, Rickie Fowler, Xander Schauffele, Brooks Koepka, Daniel Berger, Matthew Wolff, Gary Woodland and Bubba Watson.

The 2021 WM Phoenix Open will be held at TPC Scottsdale February 1-7. “The People’s Open” was named the Tournament of the Year by the PGA TOUR four times in the past six years (2014, 2015, 2018, 2019) to acknowledge the tournament’s legendary status as one the most unique events in golf. The 2021 edition will mark the 86th playing of the event (one of the five oldest events on the PGA TOUR) and the 12th as the WM Phoenix Open.

The Thunderbirds were founded in 1937 with the mission of promoting the Valley of the Sun through sports. The Thunderbirds consist of 55 “active” members and more than 280 “life” members. The Thunderbirds raised a record \$14 million for charity from proceeds from the 2020 WM Phoenix Open and have eclipsed \$161 million in charitable giving since its inception in 1932. For more information on The Thunderbirds or the 2021 WM Phoenix Open, visit www.wmphenixopen.com.

