



# 49<sup>th</sup> CHAMPIONS CUP INVITATIONAL

## April 28<sup>th</sup> – May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016

### *Champions Golf Club*

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Houston, Texas  
Champions Golf Club

#### **Defending Champions Cling to One Shot Lead of 2016 Champions Cup Invitational**

Defending Champions Kyle Maxwell (Houston) and Derek Meinhart (Illinois) bested the difficult 7003 yard, par 71 Champions Golf Club Jackrabbit course in Round Three with 9 birdies, coupled with 3 bogies for a solid round of 6-under par 65 to take a one shot lead into the final round on Sunday. Their 65, coupled with previous rounds of 69-66, puts the defending champions at 200 for three rounds, which is thirteen under par.

Houstonians John Hunter and Brad Segreto added a three under par 68 in round three to their previous rounds of 66-67 for a 54 hole total 201, twelve under par. Also at 201, are the 2002 champions, Nick Ushijimi (Fukuoka, Japan) and Bowen Osborn (Burbank, California) who with a five birdie, no bogie round of 66, also stand tied for second place at 201 total for three rounds.

Best round of the day was a stunning 10 under par 61, posted by Ben Klaus (Oklahoma City) and Riley Phumphrey (Austin, Texas) who made 10 birdies in their round. They are tied at eleven under par 202, with Kevin Hermis (Houston) and Matt Van Zandt (Houston)

Fifty-six two-man teams, from 18 states and Japan are competing in the 2016 event. The field is loaded with top amateur golfing talent, which included over 200 appearances by the competitors in various USGA national championships. The average handicap of the 112 players is +2.1 strokes per round.

This 49<sup>th</sup> annual event is being held Champions Jackrabbit Course, which has hosted multiple USGA, Sectional and Texas events over the years. Originally constructed in 1964 by George Fazio and completely renovated by Tom Fazio in 2002. The Jack Rabbit course has been consistently rated as one of the top courses in Houston and ranked among the best in Texas. The 7,003-yard, par 71 layout offers a true test of golf, demanding a variety of shots and ultimate precision.

Round Four is scheduled for Sunday May 01, 2016.