



Champions Cup Invitational winners Bryant Lach and Matt Cordell  
(Photo via George Adams)

HOUSTON, TX (April 30, 2017) - The Houston team of Bryant Lach and Matt Cordell captured the 50th Champions Cup Invitational in a dramatic sudden death playoff by making a birdie three on the first playoff hole on Sunday at Champions Golf Club.

After overcoming a three-shot deficit on the first five holes during Sunday's final round, the match was head-to-head duel against

third round leaders Derek Busby and John Talley over the final thirteen holes.

Lach and Cordell shot a final round 4-under-par score 67, giving them a 72-hole total of 15-under-par 267 over the challenging par-72 Cypress Creek championship layout to earn their spot into the playoff.

Busby and Talley, the strong Louisiana team from St. Martinsville and Ruston, LA, birdied the final hole in regulation to shoot a 1-under par 71 and force the playoff.

In the playoff Busby and Talley first had a chance convert a birdie but after they missed it set the stage for Cordell to deliver the winning eight-foot birdie putt.

The final round, which was played in cold blustery and swirling northwest winds at 15-20 MPH throughout the round, continued to create havoc for the field, challenging all teams to rely on their short games and putting to survive the windy conditions.

In third place at 270, 14-under-par, was the former champion team of Houstonian Kyle Maxwell and from Illinois, Derek Meinhart. Maxwell and Meinhart had a 12-foot birdie putt on the final regulation hole to join in the playoff, but the putt spun out of the hole and the team finished third.

Fifty-Six two-man mid-amateur teams, from 18 states, Japan and Scotland competed in the 2016 event. The field was loaded with top amateur golfing talent that included over 400 appearances by the competitors in various USGA national championships. Average handicaps of the 112 players is +2.9 strokes per round.

Editors Note: Story via George Adams of Champions Golf Club

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Rank	Players	Day 1 SCORE	Day 2 SCORE	Day 3 SCORE	Day 4 SCORE	Total
1	Cordell, Matt - Lach, Bryant	67	66	69	67	269
2	Busby, Derek - Talley, John	66	66	67	70	269
3	Maxwell, Kyle - Meinhart, Derek	70	67	67	66	270
4	Shook, Tyler- Young, Danny	71	66	69	67	273
5	Ehrgott, John - Sheppard, Tim	69	69	67	69	274
T6	Klaus, Ben - Pumphrey, Riley	70	66	69	70	275
T6	Hunter, John - Segreto, Brad	69	68	70	68	275
T6	Durbin, Eric - Durbin, Gary	71	68	69	67	275
T9	Goldstein, Darin - Randolph, Trevor	67	67	72	70	276
T9	Herman, Kevin - Junio, Craig	68	67	70	71	276
T11	Evans, Robert - Paterson, Steve	67	70	69	72	278
T11	Marland, Steve - Sullivan, Michael	71	67	71	69	278
T11	Kennedy, Scott - Nathan, Kyle	71	68	70	69	278
T14	Bright, Steven - Hamm, Tim	69	69	69	72	279
T14	Kaufman, Brett - Oliver, Ryan	71	68	68	72	279
T16	Vilkanskas, TJ - Vollertsen, Grant	71	67	70	72	280
T16	Reynolds, Jay - Wilhelm, Ross	70	69	71	70	280
T16	Meyers, Jared - Wilson, Scott	69	71	69	71	280
T16	Wada, Hiroshi - Wada, Masahide	74	71	69	66	280
T20	Kulcak, Scott - Sauntry, Trevor	67	69	71	74	281
T20	Hyde, Trevor - Sanchez, Ed	71	69	71	70	281
T20	Davis, Beau - Leedy, Corey	69	71	71	70	281



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T23	Camps, Derek - Carli, Tory	69	69	74	70	282
T23	Cooper, Andy - Pierce, Sandy	76	68	71	67	282
T25	Aldrich, Donnie - Widner, Brett,	71	69	73	70	283
T25	Coffin, Jason - Worthing, Bart	73	69	69	72	283
T27	Norris, John - Stringer, Jeff	68	68	78	70	284
T27	Calloway, Jeff - Dupont, Ben	71	71	73	69	284
T27	Baker, Buzz - Snortland, Brett	71	73	68	72	284
T30	Patin, Blaine - Williams, Kyle	70	69	70	76	285
T30	Blundell, Ben - Cook, Jordan	66	76	72	71	285
T30	Guilbeaux, Billy - Harris, Dustin	72	70	72	71	285
33	Cole, Greg - Hurlbert, Craig	69	70	72	75	286
T34	Hilliard, Blake - Toler, Craig	69	71	76	70	286
T34	Osborn, Bowen - Ushijima, Nick	70	70	71	76	287
T34	Powers, Chris - Vinson, Blake	69	73	72	73	287
T34	Fryatt, Edward - Roberts, Todd	71	72	71	73	287
38	Burke, Brett - Lewis, Jake	72	72	69	74	287
T38	Bonneau, Jess - Brame, Jeff	69	71	74	74	288
T38	Cassetta, Chris - Channell, Dean	70	71	72	75	288
T38	Noyes, Kirk - Wilkinson, Trey	70	75	72	71	288
T38	Kropp, Dr. Brad - Lance, Randy	71	74	71	72	288
T43	Davis, Chris - Kibbe, Giles	71	71	73	74	289
T43	Anderson, Chip - Nichols, Steve	72	71	73	73	289
T43	Mangini, Rob - McIver, Robert	72	72	73	72	289
T43	Boyd, Gary - Goodwin, Bart	71	73	73	72	289



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T43	Daly, Sean - Stockton, Sean	72	78	69	70	289
T48	Glaus, Troy - Letterly, Jimmy	72	69	74	75	290
T48	Albright, Steve - Ditty, Drew	74	68	78	70	290
T48	Goodspeed, Guy - Vandagriff, Jimmy	75	71	69	75	290
51	Ebalo, Kenny - Horodesky, Greg	73	73	70	75	291
52	Ingram, Jeff - Lee, Randy	74	71	76	72	293
53	Ross, Doug - Yuille, John	79	71	74	72	296
54	Hayes, Derek - Turiano, Wes	69	77	78	73	297
55	Crosby, Nathaniel - Crosby Jr, Nathaniel	74	78	74	72	298
56	Archuleta, Jordan - Hill, Chris	75	78	79	78	310