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**BOTH GOLF COURSES AT INDIAN WELLS GOLF RESORT MAKE THE LIST OF
“GOLFWEEK’S BEST 30 MUNICIPAL COURSES”**

Players Course ranked No. 3 and Celebrity Course ranked No. 7

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. – In *Golfweek* magazine’s first-ever nationwide municipal golf course ranking “*Golfweek’s* Best top 30 Municipal Courses” the Players Course at Indian Wells Golf Resort was ranked No. 3, and the Celebrity Course was ranked No. 7. Indian Wells Golf Resort was the only 36-hole golf facilities to have both of its golf courses in the top ten. The ranking appeared in *Golfweek’s* June 14, 2008 issue.

“At the onset of the project, the City Council agreed that the golf course construction project should move ahead with the goal of producing two golf courses that can capture the attention of the most astute golfer,” said Mary Roche, Mayor of Indian Wells. “The editors of *Golfweek* would certainly fall under that category. We are honored to make the list.”

The Indian Wells Golf Resort was listed alongside several outstanding golf clubs: The 2002 and 2009 U.S. Open host, Bethpage State Park (Black), located in Farmingdale, N.Y. came in first. The 2015 U.S. Open host, Chambers Bay G.C. located in University Place, Wash., came in second. Piñon Hills G.C., located in Farmington N.M. placed fourth. The 2008 U.S. Open host, Torrey Pines (South) located in La Jolla, California, finished fifth, and TPC Scottsdale (Stadium), home of the PGA Tour’s FBR Open came in sixth.

The Clive Clark-designed Celebrity Course opened to rave reviews in November of 2006 and the John Fought-designed Players Course followed in November of 2007. And the August 2008 grand opening of the IW Club (Indian Wells Golf Resort's new 53,000 square foot Douglas Fredrikson-designed clubhouse) marks the end of a golf facility construction project that has already yielded the two nationally renowned golf courses.

"We are elated to be ranked among golf's greatest municipal golf courses," said Phil Green, President of OB Sports, management firm for Indian Wells Golf Resort. "My hat goes off to all of those who worked hard to make it happen. It's truly special to be lumped into the same category as the other great golf clubs that made the list."

About the Players Course at Indian Wells Golf Resort

Conceived in the spirit of a classic American design style, The Players Course features wide playing corridors, traditional rectangular tee boxes and sculpted bunkers. Most of the holes are oriented to take full advantage of jaw-dropping views of the surrounding mountain ranges and majestic Eisenhower Mountain to the south. As a "core golf" layout, no roads or homes intrude into the golf course, and each hole is designed to be somewhat sheltered from the others to elicit a feeling of solitude. Uniquely, Fought was able to utilize many of the mature trees found on the original East Course property to impart the feel of a venerable facility while at the same time delivering a modern approach to golf course design. But to be clear, the mature tree cover and geographical location are about the only two things that the original East Course (opened in 1986) and the new Players Course have in common. By design, the Players Course is completely different than the original golf course.

About the Celebrity Course at Indian Wells Golf Resort

The Clive Clark-designed Celebrity Course opened November 1, 2006 to rave reviews. In addition to spectacular mountain views, the new Par-72 Celebrity Course features colorful wildflowers that encircling the green complexes and cover the out of play areas. As a "core golf" layout roads and homes do not intrude into the playing field, and each hole is designed to be somewhat sheltered from the others to elicit a feeling of solitude. The golf course's seven water features – waterfalls, creeks and ponds – come into play on nine holes. The water hazards are designed to have both aesthetic and strategic appeal.

“Golfers will be immediately struck by the beauty of the golf course,” said Orrin Vincent, CEO of OB Sports Golf Management. “But they’ll need to snap out of it and prepare to make good decisions and execute.”

In November of 2007, the golf world was tuned into the Celebrity Course as it hosted the LG SKINS GAME featuring Fred Couples, Stephen Ames, Brett Wetterich and Zach Johnson. Stephen Ames took top honors with a birdie on the last hole to capture the 2007 title with \$650,000 in Skins. LG Skins Game will be contested on the Celebrity Course in 2008 as well. For more information about the LG SKINS GAME, visit www.indianwells.com/lgskinsgame. The

About Indian Wells Golf Resort

The Indian Wells Golf Resort has been a popular golf travel destination for nearly 20 years, offering two golf courses and four hotel/resorts. The City of Indian Wells, owner of the golf resort, decided to bolster the golf experience at the resort by embarking on an ambitious facility-wide project that has already yielded two new golf courses. Plus the spectacular Douglas Fredrikson-designed clubhouse, nine-hole putting course, sprawling practice facility and a host of other amenities will soon follow in August of 2008. For more information about Indian Wells Golf Resort call 760.346.4653 or visit www.indianwellsgolfresort.com.

About OB Sports Golf Management

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