



TRIO OF TALENT ADDED TO NW ARKANSAS CHAMPIONSHIP *Razorbacks' Emily Tubert, Nationally-ranked amateur Summar Roachell and LPGA pro Nicole Hage to play in Rogers*

ROGERS, AR (MAY 8, 2012) – The Walmart NW Arkansas Championship presented by P&G has been a proving ground for many of the world's best female golfers, and now a trio of young, talented players have been added to the LPGA event headed to Pinnacle Country Club in Rogers, June 25- July 1. University of Arkansas Razorback Emily Tubert and LPGA professional Nicole Hage both received sponsor's exemptions into the tournament field, while nationally-ranked amateur and Conway High junior, Summar Roachell earned an invitation into the qualifier being held on Monday of tournament week.

“We have been very impressed by Emily and Summar over the course of their seasons so far and we're thrilled to extend opportunities to them,” said Tournament Director David Shoemaker. “Collectively, they showcase some of the premier talent in the area and now the community and fans have even more great players to be excited about.”

Tubert will return to the championship field for the second-straight year following another successful season in the cardinal red and white. The Razorbacks placed second in last week's Southeastern Conference Championship where Tubert's individual performance saw her finish third and earn SEC First Team honors.

Collegiate golf talent will also be apparent in sponsor exempt Hage, an LPGA professional who also has SEC First Team and Player of the Year selections to her credit. Hage competed for the University of Auburn and collected POY honors in 2004 while also being named SEC Freshman of the Year. Last month Hage played at the Tour's stop in Birmingham, AL, the Mobile Bay LPGA Classic.

While college golf is still a year away for Roachell, a junior at Conway High School, the rising talent has already seen much success at the amateur level. Most recently she was selected by Meg Mallon as one of two captain's picks to the U.S. PING Junior Solheim Team. The Solheim Cup is held every two years with the best players in the country competing against Team Europe on both junior and senior levels. Roachell's consistent play down the stretch helped the U.S. retain the title, the first junior team to do so on foreign soil.

“It was just a great feeling; it's been a dream of mine and just to be given a chance to be a part of it, it just feels really good,” said Roachell upon learning about the invitation. “It's not every day you get to play on a professional level; a lot of people at a young age don't get that chance so for me it's just really big.”



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The world's No. 1 ranked player and two-time defending champion Yani Tseng will join a host of other LPGA favorites including former Razorback Stacy Lewis, Paula Creamer and Brittany Lincicome.

Tickets are on sale at www.nwachampionship.com, or by calling (479) 715-6100. Daily tickets are \$25, valid any one day, Friday, June 29 – Sunday, July 1. Weekly grounds passes, valid all week, can be purchased for \$50. Admission is free to the public Monday, June 25 – Thursday, June 28. Children 17 years old and younger are admitted free with a ticketed adult.

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