
CN Selects Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation as Community Charity for 2009 CN Canadian Women's Open

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Montreal, Que. (RCGA) — CN announced today that the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation has been selected as the designated community charity for the CN Miracle Match program as part of this summer's CN Canadian Women's Open golf tournament that will be held at Priddis Greens Golf and Country Club in Calgary, Alta. from August 31 to September 6, 2009.

As a part of CN's sponsorship of the LPGA tournament, a minimum \$100,000 (CDN) will benefit the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation, located in Calgary, Alta. The CN Miracle Match program provides additional fundraising opportunities that will encourage public donations in support of the children's hospital before and during tournament week that will be matched by CN.

CN Miracle Match is designed to rally communities across Canada to support children's hospitals. Each year since 2006, CN and the Royal Canadian Golf Association (RCGA) have raised funds to support a children's hospital by matching funds raised through various initiatives that are connected with the CN Canadian Women's Open. Additionally, tournament proceeds from the event are donated back to the children's hospital. Over the last three years, close to \$2 million has been raised through these initiatives.

"At CN, we are deeply committed to the strength of our communities by ensuring the health and safety of our youth. CN is pleased to support the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation in Calgary through the CN Canadian Women's Open and our Miracle Match program," said Stan Jablonski, CN's senior vice-president, Sales. "We would be delighted if we were able to exceed the \$1 million that was raised during last year's event for the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario Foundation in Ottawa."

"We are thrilled that CN has asked us to be their partner on the CN Canadian Women's Open," says Saifa Koonar, Acting CEO of the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation. "Kids and families at our hospital will benefit both from CN's generosity and from the excitement of bringing a world-class sporting event to our community. We really appreciate CN's support and clear commitment to philanthropy."

Through the CN Miracle Match program, CN will match all donations made leading up to the event and on site during the tournament week including all online contributions. Online donations can be made at www.CNmiraclematch.ca when the site is launched on May 1, 2009 and will be accepted until the conclusion of the 2009 CN Canadian Women's Open.

"As organizers of the CN Canadian Women's Open, the Royal Canadian Golf Association (RCGA) is proud to be a part of this initiative that will benefit one of Canada's most outstanding children's hospitals," said Scott Simmons, RCGA Executive Director and CEO. "We look forward to seeing Calgary's golf fans come out and support the stars of the LPGA and the Alberta Children's Hospital."

Tickets for Canada's only LPGA Tour event can be purchased online at www.cncanadianwomensopen.com or by calling 1-866-571-LPGA.

ABOUT THE ALBERTA CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

The Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation raises funds for excellence in child health and family centred care. Through the generosity of donors, the Foundation provides funding for innovative family centred programs, state of the art equipment, advanced medical training and internationally recognized pediatric research. For more information please visit www.childrenshospital.ab.ca.

ABOUT THE 2009 CN CANADIAN WOMEN'S OPEN

Stars of the LPGA Tour will be featured at the US\$2.75 million CN Canadian Women's Open from August 31 to September 6 at Priddis Greens Golf and Country Club in Calgary, Alta. The CN Canadian Women's Open is proudly sponsored by the Canadian National Railway Company. For updated corporate hospitality, sponsorship opportunities, daily tickets, and volunteer information please visit www.cncanadianwomensopen.com.

ABOUT CN

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ABOUT THE ROYAL CANADIAN GOLF ASSOCIATION

The Royal Canadian Golf Association (RCGA) is the governing body of golf in Canada, representing 377,000 members at 1,600 clubs across the country. Recognized by Sport Canada as the National Sports Organization (NSO) for golf in this country, the RCGA's mission is to grow participation in and passion for the sport while upholding the integrity and traditions of the game. The RCGA conducts programs and services to help shape the future of golf in Canada. High performance athlete development, CN Future Links, Canada's national junior golf program, turfgrass and environmental research, the Canadian Golf Hall of Fame and Museum, Rules of Golf and amateur status, handicapping and course rating are only some of the initiatives the association leads for golf in Canada. In addition, the RCGA conducts Canada's most prestigious golf championships. The RBC Canadian Open and CN Canadian Women's Open attract the best professional golfers in the world, while regional junior and national amateur championships showcase the best in Canadian golf. For further information on what the RCGA is doing to support golf in your community please visit www.rcga.org.

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