

USA TEAM SET FOR 2015 TRANS-PACIFIC JUNIOR GOLF MATCH USA, Mexico to Face China, Chinese Taipei in Fourth Edition of Championship

FAR HILLS, N.J. (Aug. 20, 2015) – The United States Golf Association (USGA) today announced the eight junior golfers – four boys and four girls – who will represent the United States in the 2015 Trans-Pacific Junior Golf Match (TPJGM) conducted by the USGA and China Golf Association.

The USA team will partner with Mexico to face the People's Republic of China and Chinese Taipei in this team match play competition, Aug. 26-28 at Top Win Golf and Country Club in Beijing, China.

The boys representing the USA team are Kyosuke Hara, 16, of Honolulu, Hawaii; Doc Redman, 17, of Raleigh, N.C.; Spencer Soosman, 17, of Westlake Village, Calif.; and Kyle Suppa, 17, of Honolulu, Hawaii. The girls on the team are Sierra Brooks, 17, of Sorrento, Fla; Mika Liu, 16, of Bradenton, Fla.; Hannah O'Sullivan, 17, of Chandler, Ariz.; and Angel Yin, 16, of Arcadia, Calif. O'Sullivan defeated Brooks, 3 and 2, in last weekend's U.S. Women Amateur Championship final match.

"We are pleased to announce these eight junior golfers who will represent the United States at the Trans-Pacific Junior Golf Match," said Skip Gist, USGA vice president and chairman of the International Team Selection Committee. "This competition is an excellent opportunity for everyone involved. We look forward to another exciting event and a great week in China."

The first day of competition, Aug. 26, USA faces China and Mexico faces Chinese Taipei. In the morning, each set of matches will play under the four-ball format before the afternoon mixed foursomes. On Aug. 27, USA competes against Chinese Taipei, while Mexico faces China. The morning will consist of mixed four-ball and the afternoon will consist of foursomes. On Aug. 28, USA and Mexico team up to face China and Chinese Taipei in eight singles matches.

The USGA and CGA have conducted three previous match play competitions, twice in China and once in the United States. The purpose of the match is to promote high-level competition and foster friendship amongst global athletes. The TPJGM is a Counting Event for the World Amateur Golf Ranking TM, and receives Elite status for strength of field for both the women's and men's competitions.

About the USGA

The USGA conducts the U.S. Open, U.S. Women's Open and U.S. Senior Open, as well as 10 national amateur championships, two state team championships and international matches, attracting players and fans from more than 160 countries. Together with The R&A, the USGA governs the game worldwide, jointly administering the Rules of Golf, Rules of Amateur Status, equipment standards and World Amateur Golf Rankings. The USGA's reach is global with a working jurisdiction in the United States, its territories and Mexico, serving more than 25 million golfers and actively engaging 150 golf associations.

The USGA is one of the world's foremost authorities on research, development and support of sustainable golf course management practices. It serves as a primary steward for the game's history and invests in the development of the game through the delivery of its services and its ongoing "For the Good of the Game" grants program. Additionally, the USGA's Course Rating and Handicap systems are used on six continents in more than 50 countries.

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