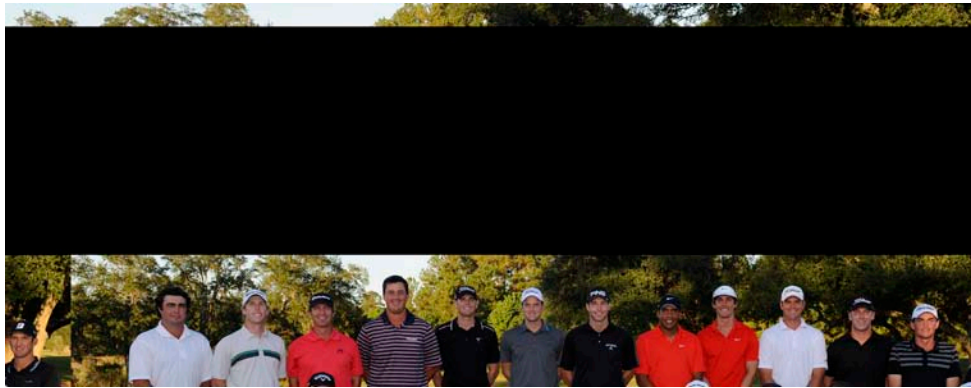




25 PLAYERS EARN PGA TOUR CARDS FOR 2011
AT NATIONWIDE TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP AT DANIEL ISLAND, S.C.
Mylan Classic Champion Kevin Kisner Among "The 25" Graduates



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(Charleston, S.C.) – Twenty-five members of the Nationwide Tour were awarded 2011 PGA TOUR cards today at the Nationwide Tour Championship at Daniel Island in Charleston, S.C. based on their season-ending finish on the money list.

Californian Brendan Steele outlasted Texan Colt Knost in a four-hole playoff at the Daniel Island Club to win the Championship, his first Nationwide Tour title. Both Steele and Knost were among "The 25" awarded PGA TOUR cards for 2011 after play. Steele began the week 30th on the money list and rode his victory to a sixth-place finish on the money list, while Knost, 36th starting the week, finished 15th.

The Nationwide Tour's youngest player, 22-year-old Jamie Lovemark captured the money title with earnings of \$452,951. The former USC All-American eclipsed Stewart Cink (23 years, four months and 29 days) as the Tour's youngest leading money winner ever.

Mylan Classic champion Kevin Kisner was also among those honored today in the Nationwide Tour's graduating class of 2010. The Aiken, S.C. native won the Mylan Classic in Pittsburgh over Labor Day weekend and with five more top 10 finishes, including a runner-up spot two weeks ago, Kisner was within the coveted Top 25 coming into this week's Nationwide Tour Championship. With rounds of 71, 67, 72, and a final round 74 Kisner cemented his position amongst the Nationwide Tour's graduating class of 2010. With \$279,292 in earnings, Kisner finished 11th on the Nationwide Tour's Money list and received his PGA TOUR card for the 2011 season.



“The 25” who graduated to the PGA TOUR are:

Pos.	Name	2010 Earnings	Name (wins)	Hometown (native country)	College
1	Jamie Lovemark	452,951	1	Jupiter, FL	U. of Southern Calif.
2	Chris Kirk	411,206	2	St. Simons Island, GA	U. of Georgia
3	Hunter Haas	408,047	2	Fort Worth, TX	U. of Oklahoma
4	Tommy Gainey	403,957	2	Camden, SC	Central Carolina Tech College
5	Daniel Summerhays	391,742	1	Farmington, Utah	BYU
6	Brendan Steele	346,258	1	Irvine, CA	U. of Calif - Riverside
7	Jhonattan Vegas	336,334	1	Austin, TX (Venezuela)	U. of Texas
8	Martin Piller	331,927	2	Dallas, TX	Texas A&M
9	Kevin Chappell	326,507	1	Fresno, CA	UCLA
10	Tag Ridings	282,616		Roanoke, TX	U. of Arkansas
11	Kevin Kisner	279,282	1	Aiken, SC	U. of Georgia
12	Fabian Gomez	265,390	1	Resistencia, Chaco, Argentina	--
13	David Mathis	265,385	1	Raleigh, NC	Campbell U.
14	Keegan Bradley	264,760		Woodstock, VT	St. John's U.
15	Colt Knost	261,090		Dallas, TX	SMU
16	Bobby Gates	259,401	1	The Woodlands, TX	Texas A&M
17	Steven Bowditch	257,283	1	Kirra, Queensland, Australia	--
18	D.J. Brigman	246,769	1	Albuquerque, NM	U. of New Mexico
19	Jim Herman	238,847	1	Port St. Lucie, FL	U. of Cincinnati
20	Scott Gutschewski	236,082		Omaha, NE	U. of Nebraska
21	David Hearn	230,440		Brantford, Ont. Canada	U. of Wyoming
22	Joe Affrunti	229,433		Crystal Lake, IL	U. of Illinois
23	Peter Tomasulo	223,812		Long Beach, CA	U. of Calif – Berkeley
24	Michael Putnam	220,277	1	Lakewood, WA	Pepperdine U.
25	Justin Hicks	209,259	1	Royal Palm Beach, FL	U. of Michigan

“Congratulations to these 25 players who will be joining the PGA TOUR in January,” said Nationwide Tour president Bill Calfee. “They have survived a long and very competitive road to achieve what was every Nationwide Tour players’ goal at the beginning of the year, to earn a PGA TOUR card. This is a very impressive class and a very young one with more than half the graduates age 27 or younger. They have made significant contributions to what we think was our best year ever with great golf and many exciting finishes. We look forward to watching their progress next year as they follow in the footsteps of their fellow graduates who have gone on to win 287 PGA TOUR events including majors and PLAYERS Championships, compete in Presidents Cups and Ryder Cups, and thrill golf fans everywhere on TOUR.”

Immediately after play fans were invited to join players and their family members, Tour officials, Nationwide Insurance representatives and Daniel Island personnel at the PGA TOUR Card Ceremony honoring “The 25”.

Tiffany & Co., the official awards and gift provider of the PGA TOUR and Nationwide Tour, was on site Sunday to hand engrave the Nationwide Tour Championship at Daniel Island trophy. Each player who finished in “The 25” received a personalized hand-engraved money clip with his 2011 PGA TOUR member card enclosed.

The Card Ceremony will be featured in the final episode of "Quest for the Card: Inside the Nationwide Tour", which will air five times on Golf Channel beginning Nov. 3rd at 6:30 p.m. ET.

The Nationwide Tour Championship at Daniel Island featured the top-60 money winners through last week's final full-field event of the year, the Winn-Dixie Jacksonville Open presented by Planters. The players who finished 26-60 on the final money list are fully exempt on the Nationwide Tour in 2010, in the event they do not secure their PGA TOUR card via the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament in early December. Those who finished 26-40 on the money list are exempt into the Finals of the Qualifying Tournament.

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