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VANCOUVER PARKS GOLF & THE VANCOUVER GOLF TOUR Announce the Fourth Consecutive Year as Hosts of the 2012 Vancouver City Open

Vancouver, B.C., August 11, 2011 – The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation and Vancouver Parks Golf along with the Vancouver Golf Tour are pleased to announce the details of the upcoming 2012 \$50,000 (estimated) Vancouver City Open. Some format changes have been made for the 2012 Championship. On August 31st the Augusta Charity Pro-Am presented by TIFOSI Eyewear will be conducted at Fraserview Golf Course and feature four amateurs playing with a professional from either the Vancouver Golf Tour or the Canadian Tour. The teams will have the best two scores out of five count on each hole. The Pro-Am will benefit the First Tee of Greater Vancouver YMCA.

Practice rounds for the Championship will be played on September 1st with the 54 hole stroke play Championship beginning on September 2nd. Competitors will rotate between McCleery and Langara golf courses for the first two rounds, with a cut coming after 36 holes. The final round will be completed at Fraserview Golf Course on Sunday September 4th beginning at 7:30 am with the tournament leaders expected to tee off at approximately 11:00 am to determine the 2011 Paine Edmonds Vancouver City Open Champion.

The Vancouver City Open is open to all Golf Professionals and Amateurs with an RCGA Handicap Factor of 18 or less, while the Pro-Am allows amateurs with a handicap under 36 to participate. A full field of 220 competitors is expected to play and based on a sold out event the Professionals will play for a cash purse of \$25,000 and the Amateurs will compete for a share of \$25,000 in prizes.

“We are very pleased Vancouver Parks Golf will be playing host to the Vancouver City Open for the fourth consecutive year and are once again excited to have such a great event in our city”, stated Howard Normann, Supervisor of Golf Operation. “We believe this is a great showcase of our courses, which will provide a great challenge to the Professionals and fun day for the Pro-Am participants.”



"It is such a great opportunity to again host the Vancouver City Open back in Vancouver. We are excited to be playing Fraserview, McCleery and Langara as we believe it will enhance our event," said Fraser Mulholland, Commissioner of the Vancouver Golf Tour. "With some new changes in the format we expect this event will be the best yet."

Among the participants confirmed include Vancouver Golf Tour's top Order of Merit player Bryn Parry along with Phil Jonas of McCleery, Ryan Williams and Dave Zibrink. Volunteer opportunities for the Vancouver Open are available for all golf enthusiasts. Please contact Vancouver Golf Tour for more details at info@vancouvergolftour.com or by calling (604) 980-4653.

For all the details and registration, please visit vancouvergolftour.com.

About Vancouver Parks Golf

Vancouver Parks Golf is made up of the Fraserview, McCleery and Langara Championship Golf Courses. Fraserview Golf Course has won bronze in the "Best Public Course in Canada" category, and was voted one of the "Most underrated golf courses in Canada" by the SCOREGolf Magazine Golfer's Choice Awards. Fraserview is now home to The Golf Institute at Fraserview. McCleery Golf Course boasts a very active junior instruction program which helps to get young people started in the game and has developed an inner city youth golf program that introduces the game to children of the Downtown Eastside. Langara Golf Course offers enjoyment with peace and tranquility in the heart of Vancouver. The course offers top notch greens that are well protected by bunkers providing a challenge for every level of golfer. 3 Great Courses...One Great Experience.

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About Vancouver Golf Tour

Vancouver Golf Tour (VGT) has been developed for our local Professionals and Amateurs – giving them the opportunity for a high level of competition in a PGA Tour environment without



spending excess travel dollars. VGT has been designed to give its local players the opportunity to learn how to win while at the same time building their confidence to play on Worldwide Major Tours.

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