

## Navy Golf Team Seeks Repeat Wins at 2012 USO Puget Sound Area Golf Classic & Boeing Classic: Seahawks Rumble at the Ridge

Local Navy team defends 2011 victory at annual USOPSA Golf Classic, May 22 at The Golf Club at Newcastle; winning military team plays in Seahawks Rumble at the Ridge

**SEATTLE – April 12, 2012 –** Six military golf teams representing all five service branches and one 'All-Military' team will compete for the prestigious 'Military Cup' at the annual USOPSA Golf Classic, May 22, at The Golf Club at Newcastle. The winning military team will also play in the Boeing Classic: Seahawks Rumble at the Ridge, August 20, at TPC Snoqualmie Ridge.

The Navy golf team that will reunite to vie for top honors and the 2012 Military Cup at the USOPSA Golf Classic includes former WSU and NFL Quarterback Jack Thompson; and LCDR Terry Hamer, ETCS Brian Richardson, YNC Steve Sauer and MMCS Charles Quam of Submarine Base Bangor, Naval Base Kitsap.

"We're thrilled to welcome all of our military golfers, their families, sponsors and spectators for a great day on the links benefiting USO and our local military," said Don Leingang, USOPSA Executive Director and CDR, USN (Ret.)

USOPSA expects this year's tournament to be the largest and most successful in the organization's 46-year history, with more than 300 golfers on two courses, including 100 active-duty military and wounded warriors.

Prior to the tournament, golfers and attendees will enjoy an opening ceremony and luncheon featuring; a Korean War-era M\*A\*S\*H\* unit, the presentation of the colors, a performance of the National Anthem, an aircraft flyover, an 18-gun salute, a marching band, and a putting contest featuring a one-shot each shootout between legendary UW and WSU quarterbacks Brock Huard and Jack Thompson. The Brock and Salk Show on 710 ESPN Seattle will also broadcast live from Newcastle from 9 a.m. to Noon on May 22.

Individual and corporate sponsors can select their level of support on the USOPSA event website at <a href="www.usopsa.org/golf">www.usopsa.org/golf</a>. All proceeds will benefit the USO and provide free programs and services for local military.

USOPSA would like to thank the following companies for pledging their support for this year's USOPSA Golf Classic including Boeing, Greenberg Traurig, Lockton, TriWest Healthcare Alliance, Pinnacle Family of Companies, The Seattle Seahawks, The Seattle Mariners, Seattle Sounders FC, and 710 ESPN Seattle.

The Boeing Classic is scheduled from August 20 – 26, 2012 at TPC Snoqualmie Ridge. The Boeing Classic has provided free Rumble at the Ridge tournament entry for the military team that wins the USOPSA Golf Classic 'Military Cup' on May 22, and has donated several items that will be auctioned at the USOPSA Golf Classic in support of USO and local military. The Boeing Classic celebrates Military Appreciation Day on August 26, and welcomes all military personnel and their families to attend for free.

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