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## TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP HOSTS GAMERS VERSUS GOLFERS CHARITY STREAMING EVENT ON TWITCH

World-renowned streamers will play PGA TOUR 2K21 video game against a lineup of professional golfers during tournament week.

**HARTFORD, Conn., June 14, 2021 –** The Travelers Championship will bring the worlds of PGA TOUR golf and video gaming together in an innovative Gamers versus Golfers fundraising initiative that will be streamed live on Twitch during tournament week.

Five PGA TOUR players – Max Homa, Joaquin Niemann, Carlos Ortiz, Harold Varner III and Matthew Wolff – are scheduled to compete against five professional gamers – BJPofficial, CohhCarnage, Crowder, daltoosh and Sydnee "sydsogood" Goodman. They'll be playing PGA TOUR 2K21, which features the site of the Travelers Championship, TPC River Highlands.

Fans can participate by following the gamers' channels on Twitch, and can donate to the tournament's primary beneficiary, The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp, by following prompts and instructions during the streams. Camp provides a traditional summer camp experience for seriously ill children at its facility in Ashford, Connecticut.

Each of the five professional gamers will be playing PGA TOUR 2K21 in two-hour blocks, spread out on Tuesday, June 22, and Wednesday, June 23. They will be joined for at least 30 minutes by a PGA TOUR player, pitting great golfers against top gamers:

- Tuesday, June 22 (all times ET):
  - o 2:30-4:30 p.m.: Crowder with Matthew Wolff from 4-4:30 p.m.
  - 4:30-6:30 p.m.: daltoosh with Max Homa from 6-6:30 p.m.
  - o 6:30-8:30 p.m.: BJPofficial with Joaquin Niemann from 8-8:30 p.m.
  - o 8:30-10:30 p.m.: sydsogood with Carlos Ortiz from 9-9:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 23 (all times ET):
  - 6:30-8:30 p.m.: CohhCarnage with Harold Varner III from 7-7:30 p.m.

"Will the pro golfers have the edge when playing PGA TOUR 2K21 or will the gamers be better at the sport in the virtual setting – it's going to be fun to see what happens," said Travelers Championship Tournament Director Nathan Grube. "A number of PGA TOUR players are into gaming, so having them interact with and compete against some of the best gamers in the world is a creative new way to generate funds for a great cause."

"From the start of our title sponsorship, we've remained focused on making the event bigger and better every year by introducing exciting elements that can attract a diverse fanbase," said Andy Bessette, Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer at Travelers. "Our Gamers versus Golfers event is the perfect example of how we're always trying to create greater awareness for the tournament, generate more money for charity and deliver innovative ways to engage with our audience."

All five of the participating players from the PGA TOUR have committed to play in this year's Travelers Championship. They include:

**Max Homa** is a two-time PGA TOUR winner, including earlier this season at The Genesis Invitational. He has played in the Travelers Championship three times (2015, 2019, 2020) and is No. 40 in this week's Official World Golf Ranking.

**Joaquin Niemann** became the first player from Chile to win on the PGA TOUR when he captured the A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier event in 2020. Niemann tied for fifth at the Travelers Championship in 2019, the same year he played in the Presidents Cup.

**Carlos Ortiz** earned his first PGA TOUR victory when he won the Vivint Houston Open in November. Ortiz will be making his fifth appearance in the Travelers Championship, and is No. 53 in this week's Official World Golf Ranking.

**Harold Varner III** has 13 top-10 finishes in his PGA TOUR career, including a tie for second place in this season's RBC Heritage. Varner has played in the Travelers Championship each of the past four years, with a tie for 21st in 2019 his best finish at TPC River Highlands.

**Matthew Wolff** made his PGA TOUR debut as a professional at the 2019 Travelers Championship. He won two starts later, at the 3M Open. Wolff finished second in 2020 at the U.S. Open and tied for fourth at the 2020 PGA Championship.

The professional gamers include:

**BJPofficial** is a Twitch streamer who focuses on sports, and hosts a weekly sports talk show on ESPN Radio. He has been streaming for more than five years, and golf is one of his favorite sports to watch and play. Follow BJPofficial here: <u>Twitch.tv/bjpofficial</u>.

**CohhCarnage** has become synonymous with Twitch where he's known for the variety of games he plays live to thousands of fans, who enjoy his adventurous game-playing spirit. An assortment of game developers have relied on his content to bring their releases to gamers everywhere. Follow CohhCarnage here: <u>Twitch.tv/cohhcarnage</u>.

**Crowder** became a Call of Duty world champion in 2015, is a full-time streamer and is the coach of the Call of Duty League's Atlanta FaZe. Follow Crowder here: <u>Twitch.tv/crowder</u>.

**daltoosh** is a professional streamer, content creator and Apex Legends player. Daltoosh is no stranger to golf, and loves playing both golf video games and in real life. Follow daltoosh here: <u>Twitch.tv/daltoosh</u>.

**Sydnee "sydsogood" Goodman** is the former host of IGN's show "Daily Fix," where she wrote and produced daily news about games, tech and entertainment. She is now focused on creating content and streaming around a variety of games, fashion and fitness. Follow sydsogood here: <u>Twitch.tv/sydsogood</u>.

The Travelers Championship will take place June 21-27 at TPC River Highlands in Cromwell, Connecticut. This year's player field includes defending champion Dustin Johnson, Bryson DeChambeau, Patrick Cantlay, Brooks Koepka, Patrick Reed, Tony Finau, Paul Casey, Phil Mickelson and Bubba Watson.

For tournament updates, please visit TravelersChampionship.com.

## About the Travelers Championship

The Travelers Championship, held in Cromwell, Connecticut, is one of the premier events on the PGA TOUR and part of the FedExCup series. The tournament proudly supports the TOUR's Tradition of Giving Back by donating 100% of net proceeds to charities. Travelers, a leading provider of property and casualty insurance for <u>auto</u>, <u>home</u> and <u>business</u>, is the Official Property Casualty Insurance Provider of the PGA TOUR. The company became the tournament's title sponsor in 2007. Travelers has been doing business in the Hartford community for more than 160 years and has been a corporate sponsor of this event each year since its inception in 1952. Complete details are available at <u>TravelersChampionship.com</u>.

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