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Defending champion Jin Young Ko & Canadian sensation Brooke Henderson lead star-studded field of early commitments to **2022 CP Women's Open**

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Canadian legend Lorie Kane to play in record 30th *CP Women's Open*; *Canadian Golf Hall of Famer* will make her final career start in Canada's *National Women's Open*

CP Has Heart charity campaign to benefit CHEO Hospital Foundation in support of pediatric cardiac care with Perth & Smiths Falls District Hospital Foundation as the community beneficiary

CP Women's Leadership Summit, the introduction of 'The Rink' fan experience and the Golf Canada fan app experience among the many tournament enhancements to *celebrate the return of Canada's National Women's Open*



Ottawa, Ont. (June 28, 2022) – Golf Canada, in partnership with title sponsor Canadian Pacific (CP), has announced that many of the world’s top players have committed to compete in the celebrated return of the 2022 CP Women’s Open from August 22-28 at Ottawa Hunt and Golf Club in Ottawa, Ont.

Leading the charge is defending champion Jin Young Ko, currently ranked no. 1 in the world and no. 9 on the current LPGA Tour Money List, who won in 2019—more than 1,000 days ago—prior to the past two of cancellation due the global pandemic.

Local favourite and 11-time LPGA Tour winner Brooke Henderson of Smiths Falls, Ont., an honorary member of Ottawa Hunt currently ranked no. 10 on the LPGA Tour money list, will join Ko in leading a field of early commitments that include 16 of the top 20 players on the current LPGA Tour money list (10 of the top-10 & 41 of the top-50), seven past CP Women’s Open championships, and 11 in year winners including all 2022 Major winners.

The early player commitments to challenge for the \$2.35 million USD purse—one of the largest prizes on the LPGA Tour—will include golf’s brightest stars

along with rising talents in Canadian golf.

Henderson, a CP Ambassador who made history at the Wascana Country Club in Regina in 2018 becoming the first Canadian since the late Jocelyne Bourassa 45 years earlier to win Canada's National Women's Open, will be joined in Ottawa by fellow Canadians Maude-Aimee Leblanc, Maddie Szeryk, Alena Sharp, Jaclyn Lee, Rebecca Lee-Bentham and Selena Costabile, as well as a collection of talented Canadian athletes who are expected to receive tournament exemptions in the coming weeks to compete in Canada's National Women's Open Championship.

Reigning Canadian Women's Amateur champion Lauren Zaretsky of Thornhill, Ont. has also earned an exemption along with US amateur standout Anna Davis who won the 2022 Augusta National Women's Amateur.

Canadian golf legend Lorie Kane of Charlottetown, PEI, a member of the Canadian Golf Hall of Fame, Order of Canada, and recent inductee into Canada's Sports Hall of Fame, will compete in her record 30th CP Women's Open. A four-time winner on the LPGA Tour, Kane has confirmed that the 2022 event will be her final playing appearance in Canada's National Women's Open Championship.

The 156-player field will be returning to the national capital for a fifth time with Ottawa Hunt ready to host their fourth CP Women's Open and first since 2017. The club is working its way back to premium form following a major storm back in mid-May which caused extensive damage to the golf course including the removal of 1,100 trees on the property.

The 2022 edition of the CP Women's Open will be a celebrated return to the LPGA schedule and the community is excited with a full roster of 1,300 volunteers confirmed for the event. Ottawa golf fans turned out in record fashion in 2017 to cheer on Henderson, the local sensation along with the stars of the LPGA Tour. Ticket sales are moving with great pace and one of the largest corporate build footprints in event history will see fan and hospitality

structures located on holes 15 through 18.

“Together with our friends at CP we are very proud after two years of cancellation to be back in our nation’s capital in a big way for the celebrated return of the CP Women’s Open,” said Tournament Director Ryan Paul. “Golf fans in this community have gotten behind our National Women’s Open Championship in a major way and with the additional of fabulous new fan and partner activations as well as digital enhancements to the tournament experience, we can’t wait to get back to Ottawa Hunt and put on an can’t miss summer celebration.”

EARLY PLAYER COMMITMENTS:

Ko and Henderson are two of seven past CP Women’s Open champions confirmed for Ottawa Hunt including, Ariya Jutanugarn (2016), So Yeon Ryu (2014), Katherine Kirk (2008), Cristie Kerr (2006) and three-time winner Lydia Ko (2015, 2013, 2012) who will be chasing a record fourth CP Women’s Open title.

Ko and Henderson, currently ranked no. 9 and 10 respectively on the LPGA Tour Money List, will be among 16 of the current top-20 players (10 of top-10 / 41 of top-50) on the 2022 LPGA Money List confirmed for Ottawa Hunt including Minjee Lee (1), In Gee Chun (2), Lexi Thompson (3), Jennifer Kupcho (4), Hye-Jin Choi (5), Lydia Ko (6), Atthya Thitikul (7), Mina Harigae (8), Nasa Hataoka (11), Jessica Korda (13), Hyo Joo Kim (14), Celine Boutier (16), Xiyo Lin (17), Eun-Hee Ji (19), and Madelene Sagstrom (20).

CP HAS HEART CHARITY CAMPAIGN TO BENEFIT THE CHEO FOUNDATION:

Canadian Pacific and Golf Canada are proud to support the Children’s Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO) Foundation as the primary charitable beneficiary for the 2022 Canadian Pacific Women’s Open. Among the charitable engagements tournament week will be the Birdies for Heart hole on no. 15 at Ottawa Hunt with \$5,000 donation made for every birdie made on the hole during the four rounds of the competition. In addition, CP is also proud to support a community

beneficiary in the Perth and Smiths Falls District Hospital Foundation in support paediatric cardiac care. In the nine years of CP's title sponsorship of the CP Women's Open, more than \$13 million has been raised to support children's heart health in Canada.

CP WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP SUMMIT RETURNS TO KICK OF TOURNAMENT WEEK:

Golf Canada and Canadian Pacific will host the fifth annual CP Women's Leadership Summit on Tuesday, August 23 at the Infinity Convention Centre as part of the weeklong excitement of the 2022 CP Women's Open. The CP Women's Leadership Summit will bring together like-minded businesspeople from across the country for a day of networking, empowerment, and philanthropy. The Summit will also raise awareness for the CP Women's Open, with attendees receiving access to the tournament during the week. For more information about the CP Women's Leadership Summit, including tickets and sponsorship opportunities, please visit www.cpwomensopen.com/wls.

2022 CP WOMEN'S OPEN WELCOME "THE RINK" FAN EXPERIENCE:

Golf Canada is pleased to introduce the fan-favourite Rink hole spectator experience to the CP Women's Open for the first time. The energetic hockey-themed hole, complete with fan-pounding rink boards, volunteers dressed as referees and a surrounding hospitality experience will be situated on par-3 17th hole at Ottawa Hunt.

CP WOMEN'S OPEN BROADCAST:

The 2022 CP Women's Open will feature four days of domestic and international television broadcast coverage including Canadian broadcast partner TSN as well as international coverage on GOLF channel. For the first time ever, the CP Women's Open will also be broadcast on US network television with Sunday's final round coverage on CBS.

KIDS 12-AND-UNDER GET IN FREE...

Golf Canada and CP are committed to offering a fan friendly, family event with the CP Women's Open. To introduce more juniors to the sport, children aged

12-and-under get FREE admission to the CP Women's Open for the entire week.

GOLF CANADA MOBILE APP EXPERIENCE

Spectators at Ottawa Hunt will experience the CP Women's Open like never before by downloading the Golf Canada Mobile App on their iOS or Android device. Essential features include a live map, mobile ordering, leaderboard & pairings, tickets, breaking news, and unique events. Golf enthusiasts can also use the Golf Canada Mobile App to enhance their everyday golf experience while playing! Find golf courses, track your game, set up matches against friends, access GPS yardages and more. Click [here](#) to download.

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ABOUT THE CP WOMEN'S OPEN

The stars of the LPGA Tour will challenge for the CP Women's Open from August 22-28, 2022, at Ottawa Hunt & Golf Club in Ottawa, Ontario. Through its CP Has Heart program, title sponsor CP will once again make a substantial donation to the host community of Canada's National Open Golf Championship by supporting the Perth and Smith Falls District Hospital Foundation and the CHEO Foundation. The 2022 CP Women's Open is proudly sponsored by CP, Audi, RBC, Levelwear, Coca-Cola, Hilton, Ace Beverage Group, Cub Cadet, Titleist, FootJoy, Matt & Steve's, JOURNIE Rewards, Recipe Unlimited, theScore Bet, BDO Canada, Sleeman Breweries, Johnsonville, STALK&BARREL, Masi Wines, Ottawa Tourism and the Government of Canada. For information visit www.cpwomensopen.com.

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ABOUT GOLF CANADA

Golf Canada is the National Sports Federation and governing body for golf in Canada representing more than 300,000 golfers and 1,435 member clubs across the country. A proud member of the Canadian Olympic Committee, Golf Canada's mission is to increase Canadian participation and excellence in golf. For more information about what Golf Canada is doing to support golf in your community, visit www.golfcanada.ca.

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