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Greenwood to host eGolf Tour tournament at Grand Harbor and Stoney Point Golf Clubs

The Patriot at Grand Harbor will be hosting the Grand Harbor Open Tournament May 26-29 as part of the eGolf Tour which is based out of Charlotte, NC. Over 200 players are expected to participate in the event and additional visitors will also be in attendance during the tournament as well.

“We are thrilled to have a tournament of this caliber to choose Greenwood, SC as well as Grand Harbor and Stoney Point golf clubs as a venue for the eGolf tour. We hope to have many visitors learn more about our area during their stay and return again soon for more great golf”, said Kelly McWhorter, President, Greenwood Regional Tourism and Visitors Bureau. “We expect our hotels and restaurants to benefit greatly from a field as large as 200 players along with their friends and family.”

Since their inception in 2002 as the Tarheel Tour, eGolf has established themselves as the premier developmental tour in North America. In 2009 alone, over \$4.4 million in prize money was paid out in just 18 events, were granted exemptions into four Nationwide Tour events, and conducted tournaments at such elite venues as the Pine Needles Resort, Forest Oaks Country Club and the Westin Savannah Harbor Resort. The eGolf Tour provides the top proving grounds for players from all over the world; for this reason, they are extremely particular in golf course selections. The Patriot at Grand Harbor seems as though it would be a great fit.

Since 2002, the eGolf Tour has been a platform from which countless players have ascended to the PGA and Nationwide Tours. In 2009 alone, eGolf Tour members Blake Adams and Tom Gillis played the tour, earned their way onto the Nationwide Tour, and finished in the top five on the money list – having already solidified their 2010 PGA TOUR cards. A total of six former eGolf Tour players earned their TOUR cards via their top 25 finish on the season-ending Nationwide Tour money list. For more information on the eGolf Tour, visit their website at <http://www.egolfprofessionalstour.com/>.

The Greenwood Regional Tourism and Visitors Bureau is an economic development organization that improves the economy of Greenwood County and the region by increasing the number of overnight visitors to the area and driving higher average daily spending of all travel parties.

The organization offers numerous services to meeting and event planners, including complimentary visitor packets, assistance with site selection as well as fulfilling requests for room rates for meetings, conferences, and sporting events. For more information, visit the GRTVB website at www.visitgreenwoodsc.com, or email them at info@visitgreenwoodsc.com.

