



Cantigny Welcomes PGA Tour Pro Kevin Streelman on August 5

Wheaton native will hold Q&A and offer golf tips to juniors at Cantigny Golf Academy

WHEATON, IL, July 29, 2011 — Cantigny Golf, the Illinois Junior Golf Association (IJGA) and Wilson Golf are pleased to announce a special “homecoming” event featuring PGA Tour professional Kevin Streelman.

Streelman, a Wheaton native, former Cantigny Golf employee and now a successful player on the PGA Tour, will offer tips and encouragement to junior golfers at the Cantigny Golf Academy on Friday, August 5. His appearance is sponsored by Wilson Golf in partnership with IJGA.

“We are very excited to welcome Kevin back to Cantigny,” said Patrick Lynch, Cantigny head golf professional. “We’re proud to call him one of our own, especially given his sense of values and professionalism. Even more exciting is the reason Kevin is coming back, as he shares our passion for junior golf. With the involvement of Wilson Golf and the IJGA, this event is truly the perfect marriage for junior golf development in the Chicago area.”

Streelman played, practiced and took lessons at Cantigny Golf as an amateur. During his college years he worked in the golf shop and volunteered to help teach clinics.

On August 5, Streelman will oversee the 2011 IJGA Wilson Staff Slam Finals, concluding a season-long skills challenge at golf courses throughout Chicagoland. The pre-qualified boys and girls competing at Cantigny, ages 6 to 13, will test their skills in putting, chipping, iron play and driving.

After the skills event, Streelman will take questions from the junior golfers and then conduct a four-hole on-course lesson. He will play alongside selected juniors and wear a microphone so that spectators can hear his thoughts on shotmaking and course management.

The events at Cantigny Golf are free and open to the public. Advance registration is recommended at ijga.org. Lunch tickets may be purchased online as well.

Schedule of Events for Friday, August 5:

10 am	Attendee Registration, Wilson Slam competition (prequalified juniors competing)
11 am–1 pm	Picnic Lunch
12 pm	Wilson Slam Awards presentation
12:30 pm	Q&A with Kevin
1 pm	On-Course Playing Lesson with Kevin and eight IJGA golfers (spectators welcome)
2:45–4 pm	Autograph and photo session

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About Kevin Streelman

Kevin Streelman, age 32, graduated from Duke University in 2001 and turned pro the same year. In 2008, his first year on the PGA Tour, he finished 78th on the money list and was nominated for Rookie of the Year. While still looking for his first Tour victory, Kevin has achieved multiple top-10 finishes, including third place at The Barclays in 2010. Cracking the Top 30 in FedEx Cup points last year earned Kevin a tee time at the 2011 Masters, U.S. Open and British Open.

About the Illinois Junior Golf Association

Founded in 1967, the Illinois Junior Golf Association is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to providing playing opportunities for its members ages 6-18, conducting educational clinics and events, and serving as a junior golf informational clearinghouse. During the 2011 season, the IJGA will provide and manage over 100 separate events throughout the state of Illinois. These include one day 9-hole and 18-hole tournaments, and 36-hole and 54-hole major championships. For more information, please visit IJGA.org.

About Wilson Golf

Wilson Golf is a division of Chicago-based Wilson Sporting Goods, one of the world's leading manufacturers of sporting equipment by Amer Sports. For more information, please visit wilsonstaff.com.

About Cantigny Golf

Cantigny Golf, part of the Robert R. McCormick Foundation, opened for play in 1989. That year, *Golf Digest* magazine named it the "Best New Public Course in America." Cantigny has hosted the Illinois State Amateur three times and also the 2007 U.S. Amateur Public Links Championship. The 300-acre Cantigny Golf complex includes 27 scenic holes, the year-round Cantigny Golf Academy, the 9-hole Cantigny Youth Links and a full-service clubhouse with dining and banquet facilities. For more information, please visit CantignyGolf.com.

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