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Blue Raiders face UNLV to begin Callway Match Play event

MT is defending champion

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MARANA, Ariz. - The Callaway Collegiate Match Play Championship bracket has been released by the GCAA and Middle Tennessee grabbed the 11th seed and will face sixth seeded UNLV to get things started on March 21. Stanford earned the top seed in the event, which will be held March 21-23 at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club, Dove Mountain in Marana, Ariz.

The Blue Raiders will head to the desert on Friday in preparation for a practice round on Saturday.

"This is one of the elite events in collegiate golf and we are very excited to be a part of the 2010 field," said Head Coach Whit Turnbow. "It's very unique and we will have to be at our very best if we hope to come out on top."

Stanford battles 16th-seeded Indiana in the opening round and plays the winner of the eighth-seeded Southern California and No. 9 TCU match. Arizona State - the fourth seed - will tee off against Iowa. Fifth-seeded UCLA vs. Colorado State completes the top half of the bracket.

Texas A&M grabbed the third seed and will battle host school Arizona. The winner will face the victor of the match between UNLV and defending tournament champion Middle Tennessee. Seventh-seeded Texas Tech will square off against San Diego. No. 2 Washington against New Mexico is the final first-round pairing. The opening round tees off at 8 a.m. Sunday, March 21.

The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club, Dove Mountain a desert golf layout, which opened in January 2009, features elevation changes from 2,300 to 3,000 feet, and distinct character that blends naturally among majestic saguaros that stand along the surrounding Tortolita Mountain Range.

Jack Nicklaus' first in the Tucson area in 25 years, the 27-hole Dove Mountain facility offers three distinct nines - the Saguaro, Tortolita and Wild Burro. Each is not only a true test of golf for the best players in the game, but also one that is challenging, yet enjoyable, for resort guests.

The Callaway Collegiate Match Play is to be contested on the Saguaro and Tortolita nines, just as is the Accenture Match Play Championship. They form a par 72 that measure 7,833 yards.

Fans can track the entire tournament with live scoring from on www.collegiatematchplay.com.



The Blue Raiders will compete in the prestigious Callaway Match Play Championships beginning Sunday. ()

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