



## Hal Sutton to Represent Boot Ranch on PGA TOUR Champions

Golf Legend and Designer of Boot Ranch Golf Course Expands Relationship with Texas Club



**Fredericksburg, Texas (January 29, 2019)** – Hal Sutton is more than just the golf course architect for Boot Ranch, the exclusive private club community in the Texas Hill Country. The 14-time PGA TOUR winner is now the club's brand ambassador on the PGA TOUR Champions circuit.

Sutton, 60, whose original design at Boot Ranch debuted in 2006, will wear the Boot Ranch logo and has filmed a commercial to be shown this spring during select PGA TOUR and PGA Champions television broadcasts.

Sutton is scheduled to make his return to competition next week at the Oasis Championship in Boca Raton, Fla., his first tour start since May 2017. Sutton has played only six tour events in the past three years while focusing on course design projects and teaching academy.

"We cannot think of a better person than Hal Sutton to represent Boot Ranch on the professional golf tour," said Emil Hale, general manager of the club. "Hal shares the same vision as our membership, that passion for the game of golf and culture of friendship that results in experiences to be remembered forever."

In 2017, Sutton oversaw a \$2 million renovation of the bunkers and greens on the Boot Ranch golf course and 34-acre practice park, which incorporates natural Texas Hill Country elevation changes, slopes and valleys, and indigenous vegetation. Sutton's focus in this project was to enhance the playability without altering the experience. "My key was to figure out a way to challenge the best players while offering higher-handicap golfers the chance to play golf and have more fun," explained Sutton.

Sutton also was instrumental in helping Boot Ranch members revive the nearby Fredericksburg community's junior golf and high school golf programs. His expanded new role continues that support through the return of the "Birdies for Billies" program that benefits the Junior Golf Foundation of Fredericksburg. Funds are raised through Boot Ranch pledges for each birdie and eagle Sutton makes on tour this year. ("Battlin' Billies" is the nickname for Fredericksburg high school's athletic teams.)

"Connecting to the community, embracing the people, and giving back is important," Sutton said. "I want kids to understand the game I love so much. Learning the golf swing helps, but getting kids outdoors and onto the golf course is the greatest teacher of all."

Nominated last year for the World Golf Hall of Fame, Sutton was ranked in the top 10 of the Official World Golf Ranking for more than 100 weeks during his PGA TOUR career.

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## **About Boot Ranch:**

Located near Fredericksburg in the heart of the Texas Hill Country, Boot Ranch is a 2,080-acre private club community designed for just 450 residences. In addition to golf, the community features a 55,000-square foot Clubhouse Village; the Ranch Club with pools, a pavilion and athletic courts; and the Lake Club with a swim beach, pavilion, treehouses and non-motorized watercraft. Other amenities include trails, trap & skeet, a spa, and a planned fitness center. The community is owned and developed by Terra Verde Group and Wheelock Street Capital.

Property offerings include homesites from one-half to 18 acres, luxury condominiums, and shared-ownership vacation homes. Real estate purchases include a multi-generational membership that extends club privileges to five generations of the member's family.