

### Rotagram

## September 23, 2024

The Rotary Club of Jackson welcomed Steve Jent, Executive Director, Sanderson Farms Championship. The title of his presentation is: "Sanderson Farms Championship – World Class Golf for Charity."



L to R: Rotary President-Elect Richard Wilbourn, Attorney, Richard Wilbourn and Associates, PLLC; Steve Jent, Executive Director, Sanderson Farms Championship; Rotary President Phillip Carpenter, Owner, Carpenter Properties; and Dent Anglin, Owner, Anglin Tire Company

### President Phillip Carpenter welcomed Rotarians and guests.

Seth Dickinson, Special Assistant Attorney General, Mississippi Attorney General's Office, delivered the Invocation; Ted Jackson, Stephens Investment Banking, led club members in the Pledge of Allegiance; and President Phillip led members in the Four Way Test.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

District 6820 is now accepting applications for District Governor for Rotary year 2027-2028. For more information or to access the application, please visit https://www.rotary6820.com. The deadline to apply is October 31, 2024.

**Save the Date:** On Monday, October 14, the JMM Satellite Club is hosting a golf scramble at the Pete Brown Golf Course. The cost is \$75 per player or \$275 for a team of three. For more information, please email President Erica Reed at ejohnson@jacksonmedicalmall.org.

**Save the Date:** October 24, 6:00 p.m. - District 6820 End Polio Now 5k Run and Walk. Flowood Family YMCA, 690 Liberty Road. Questions? Email Dr. Nelson Atehortua, Committee Chair, at nelson.atehortua@gmail.com.

Fourth-quarter invoices are now in your inbox. Please make these a priority.

# **BIRTHDAYS**:

Johnny Donaldson September 26 Karla Tye September 27 Neddie Winters September 27

# **ROTARY JOIN DATES:**

David Allen (12 years)

Jill Beneke (21 years)

Harvey Little (16 years)

September 29

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#### Richard Wilbourn to introduce Steve Jent.

Steve's presentation title was "Sanderson Farms Championship – World Class Golf for Charity."

The Country Club of Jackson will again be the site for the state's only PGA Tour event, the Sanderson Farms Championship. Scheduled Sept. 30-Oct. 6, the championship will feature 132 golfers competing for a total purse of \$7.6 million with the top prize of \$1.368 million and the opportunity to victoriously hoist the hand-sculpted bronze rooster trophy overhead.

### Two multi-time PGA Tour winners are coming to the capital city.

Rickie Fowler and Matt Kuchar committed to playing in next week's 2024 Sanderson Farms Championship at the Country Club of Jackson.

Rickie Fowler has secured six PGA Tour victories and three international wins. He has been a key player for the U.S. in 13 national teams, including five Ryder Cups (2010, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2023) and three Presidents Cups (2015, 2017, 2019), as well as competing in the 2016 World Cup.

Matt Kuchar has achieved nine PGA Tour wins and two international victories. His record includes participation in five Presidents Cups (2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019) and four Ryder Cups (2010, 2012, 2014, 2016), along with three World Cups (2011, 2013, 2018).

# 2023 PGA Tour Sanderson Farms Championship winner Luke List aims to repeat at the 2024 Sanderson Farms tournament.

"Jackson's always a special place to me being here as defending champion," he said. "I have phenomenal memories of this town, golf course, community, and the event. So to be back gives me some really good vibes."

List won a five-man playoff in last year's tournament, shooting 18 under par. He entered the final round, four shots back from leader Ben Griffin, and rallied to claim his second win on tour.

The former Vanderbilt golfer said his game in 2024 is not where he wants it to be. He has missed the cut in his past five tournaments.

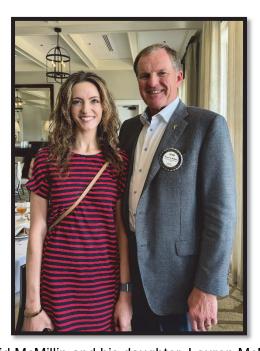
"I haven't been playing great, but I've had a lot of time off, and some time to prepare a little bit, I think that goes a long way," he said. "I loved this golf course from the moment I stepped foot on it, and I think with that; hopefully, that'll carry into some good play."

List admits to feeling some pressure as the defending champion but wants to focus on getting his game back into rhythm.

"I'd love to be in contention and do it again," he said. "But more importantly, I just want to get my game back a little bit. That's the bigger picture."

"This is one of the most dynamic fields in recent memory," said Steve Jent, Sanderson Farms Championship executive director. "We are excited to welcome back our defending champion, Luke List, and our four players with Mississippi roots, Davis Riley, Hayden Buckley, Chad Ramey, and hometown favorite, Wilson Furr, who joined the TOUR this year. Our fans will be excited to see new faces like Rickie and Matt, as well as our returning past champions and Major winners."

# **More Photos**



David McMillin and his daughter, Lauren McMillin



Steve Jent, Sanderson Farms Championship



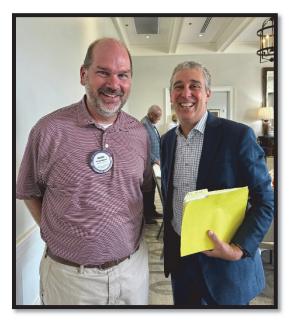
Wilfred Beal and Judge Crystal Wise Martin



Rotary President Phillip Carpenter



Mark Saxon, Keith Ferguson, Past President Tom Johnson, Steve Cook, and Dr. Heber Simmons Jr.



Mason Williams and Scott Day



Past President Neddie Winters and Kaamilya Young