# **SEC MATCH PLAY**

# **HOSTED BY JERRY PATE**

Sept. 25-27 // Vestavia Hills, Ala. (Old Overton Club)

After 35 seasons (1986-2020), the Jerry Pate National Intercollegiate will make the transition to a first-of-its-kind SEC Match Play hosted by Jerry Pate. It will be the Crimson Tide's lone home tournament of the season. Head coach Jay Seawell worked closely alongside the tournament's namesake Mr. Pate to put together the unique three-day tournament, which will be held Sunday through Tuesday, September 25-27 at the beautiful par 70, 7,204-yard Old Overton Club course in Vestavia Hills, Ala. All 14 SEC schools will compete in 54 holes of stroke play – 36 holes Sunday followed by 18 Monday – with match play coming on Tuesday. The top two finishers from stroke play will square off in the final groupings of the day, while the 12 other teams will square off in East vs. West Match Play format.

#### THE FIELD (ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

Alabama No. 32
Arkansas No. 14
Auburn No. 13
FloridaNo. 3
Georgia No. 16
LSU No. 21
Kentucky NR
Missouri No. 41
Mississippi State NR
Ole Miss No. 23
South Carolina No. 33
Tennessee No. 12
Texas A&M No. 17
Vanderbilt No. 1

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

#### Saturday, Sept. 24: Practice Round

- 12 p.m. Practice rounds begin (Teams tee off No. 1 every 11 minutes in fivesomes)
- 1 p.m. Coaches meeting (Patio)
- 5:30 Social Hour
- 6:30 Dinner and Short Program

#### Sunday, Sept. 25: First & Second Rounds (36 Holes of Stroke Play)

- 6-9 a.m. Buffet Breakfast (OOC Clubhouse)
- 8:30 a.m. Shotgun Start
- 11 a.m. 1 p.m. Lunches Provided for Players and Coaches (continuous play)

#### Monday, Sept. 26: Third Round (18 holes of stroke play)

- 6-9 a.m. Buffet Breakfast (OOC Clubhouse)
- 8 a.m. Tee Times on No. 1 and No. 10
- 12 p.m. Box Lunches Available

#### Tuesday, Sept. 27: Match Play

- 6-9 a.m. Buffet Breakfast (OOC Clubhouse)
  - 8 a.m. All Matches Tee Off No. 1
- Top two qualifiers from stroke play tee off in twosomes in the last groupings
- East vs. West match play for remaining 12 teams
- 12 p.m.-until Hot Lunch on Patio
- 2:30 p.m. Trophy presentation

# **EVENT INFORMATION**

#### Course

- Old Overton Club; Vestavia Hills, Ala.
- Par: 70 // Yardage: 7,204

#### **Live Scoring Link**

Golfstat.com

#### **Tournament Format**

- All 14 SEC teams will compete
- 36 Holes of Stroke Play Sunday (continuous play)
- 18 Holes of Stroke Play Monday (morning)
- Match Play Tuesday (determined by stroke play finish)

### **ABOUT JERRY PATE**

Host and tournament namesake Jerry Pate is the one of the most successful professional golfers to have worn the crimson and white. The former Tide golfer and current Champions Tour player proudly lends his name and plays an active role each year, including presenting the tournament trophy. Pate was a mere 22 years old when he won the United States Open in 1976, and that wasn't even the first time he'd made major national headlines. He did that in 1974 when he won the United States Amateur — only weeks before he started his senior season on The University of Alabama's golf team. Pate would go on to win eight PGA Tournaments including the 1976 U.S. Open as a rookie on the tour. That year, Pate was named the PGA Rookie of the Year and Co-Player of the Year. He was also a member of the victorious 1981 Ryder Cup team and was inducted into the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame in 1994.

<sup>\*</sup> Bushnell/Golfweek Coaches Poll (as of Sept. 9)