



## 2010 WENDY'S CHAMPIONS SKINS GAME

At Royal Ka'anapali Golf Course  
PRE-TOURNAMENT NOTES

**THE TEAMS:** Ben Crenshaw—Fuzzy Zoeller  
Jack Nicklaus—Tom Watson  
Gary Player—Loren Roberts  
Fred Couples—Nick Price

**MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** The eight players have combined for 42 PGA TOUR major championships, with **Jack Nicklaus** accounting for 18 of those. **Gary Player** (nine), **Tom Watson** (eight), **Nick Price** (three), **Ben Crenshaw** (two) and **Fuzzy Zoeller** (two) account for the rest.

**THE ROOKIES:** This year's Wendy's Champions SKINS GAME field features two rookies: **Fred Couples**, **Nick Price**. In fact, the two will also represent the first rookie team to compete since the event moved to Royal Ka'anapali. The 2008 Wendy's Champions SKINS GAME marked the first time since 2004 the field had no rookies competing.

**THE VETERANS:** **Jack Nicklaus** will be playing in his 20<sup>th</sup> SKINS GAME and **Gary Player** will be competing in his 11<sup>th</sup>. Nicklaus owns three titles (1991, 2005, 2007) and Player one (2000).

**NICKLAUS-WATSON:** This legendary twosome will be paired for the sixth consecutive time.

**HALL OF FAME MEMBERS:** Five of the eight players competing in the Wendy's Champions SKINS GAME are members of the World Golf Hall of Fame. The members and the year they were inducted: **Ben Crenshaw** (2002), **Jack Nicklaus** (1974), **Gary Player** (1974), **Nick Price** (2003), **Tom Watson** (1988)

**THE PURSE:** The purse for the Wendy's Champions SKINS GAME is \$770,000. Here is the breakdown:

Holes 1-6 -- \$30,000 per hole  
Holes 7-12 -- \$40,000 per hole  
Holes 13-17 -- \$50,000 per hole  
Hole 18/Wendy's Super Skin -- \$100,000

**CHARITY:** The players will donate 10% of their winnings to charity: 5% to the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption and 5% to their designated charities.

**NICKLAUS:** The Wendy's Champions SKINS GAME has been dominated by the Golden Bear. Jack Nicklaus owns 10 career Wendy's Champions SKINS GAME records,

including most career skins (104) and most career money (\$2,430,000). His 68 front-nine skins are more than every other competitor's TOTAL skins, save Ray Floyd, who has 69.

**A FEW RECORDS TO MENTION:** In 2008, the eight-skin front-nine total from **Jack Nicklaus** and **Tom Watson** moved them to the top of the list for most front-nine skins, tying their mark from 2006 and Nicklaus' solo mark from 1990. And the \$270,000 Nicklaus and Watson earned is the largest amount earned on the front nine. Last year, the \$530,000 earned by **Fuzzy Zoeller** and **Ben Crenshaw** also marked an event record for the most money earned. The twosome also accumulated 12 skins on the back-nine for another event record.

**PLAYOFFS:** Last year's playoff marked the 18<sup>th</sup> time in 22 events that extra holes were needed to decide the Wendy's Champions SKINS GAME title. The second extra hole, panned by Jay Haas for the skin, was the 40<sup>th</sup> playoff hole in event history.

**THE VENUE:** The Royal Ka'anapali Course, a Robert Trent Jones Senior design, opened in 1962. A par 71 stretching 6,700 yards, the Royal Course combines wide fairways and undulating greens. A course with a rich pedigree, Royal Ka'anapali played host to the Champions Tour Ka'anapali Classic for 14 years, the most recent of a long list of events that includes Shell's Wonderful World of Golf, the Canada Cup and the LPGA's Kemper Open. Past champions at Royal Ka'anapali include such golfing greats as **Jack Nicklaus**, **Arnold Palmer**, **Gary Player**, **Chi Chi Rodriguez**, **Jan Stephenson** and **Betsy King**.

**EAGLES HARD TO FIND:** There have only been five eagles carded in the 22-year history of the Wendy's Champions SKINS GAME and **Jack Nicklaus** owns four of them. He and partner **Tom Watson** both recorded eagles in 2004.

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