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Escalante Golf Announces Acquisition of Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club

Experienced Owner-Operator to Carry out Long-term Vision at Premier 36-Hole Oregon Facility

(FORT WORTH, Texas) – [Escalante Golf](http://EscalanteGolf.com), boutique owner-operator of high-end clubs and courses, has acquired a controlling interest in 36-hole Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club (North Plains, Ore.)

Opened in 1992 just outside of Portland, Pumpkin Ridge has established itself as one of the Pacific Northwest's most-heralded clubs and golf destinations. Former Golf World "Golf Course Architect of the Year" Bob Cupp designed both Witch Hollow and Ghost Creek with input from Portland-native and former protégé John Fought.

"Pumpkin Ridge's strong tournament heritage, impressive architectural pedigree, beautiful setting and outstanding national reputation make it an ideal addition to our family," says David McDonald, President of Escalante Golf. "We will continue delivering high levels of personalized service to Witch Hollow members, while creating an unforgettable experience for Ghost Creek guests."

Members-only Witch Hollow has hosted many prestigious championships, including the 1996 U.S. Amateur won by Tiger Woods in a dramatic comeback over Steve Scott, as well as the 1997 and 2003 Women's U.S. Opens. It is the current venue for the season-ending WinCo Foods Portland Open where the top 25 Web.com players are awarded PGA TOUR status. The 7,017-yard par 72 has been ranked in Golf Digest's "America's 100 Greatest Courses," GOLF Magazine's "Top 100 Courses in the U.S." and Golfweek's "Best Modern Courses."

Ghost Creek, a par 71, 6,871 yard daily-fee facility, meanders through wetlands punctuated by lush stands of trees. Undulating fairways, immaculate greens and strategic bunkering are other hallmarks. It is recognized as one of the top 10 courses in Oregon and ranked 56th in GOLF Magazine's "Top 100 Courses You Can Play."

"As we open this new chapter in Pumpkin Ridge history, our focus will be on protecting the club's integrity and traditions," adds McDonald. "We view our role as stewards of its proud heritage and pledge to preserve the club for future generations."

Two 20,000 square-foot clubhouses, a 17-acre practice area, learning center, full-service restaurants and extensive banquet space are other Pumpkin Ridge calling cards. Less than thirty minutes from downtown Portland, a short distance to Portland International Airport and Vancouver, Washington, and just over

three hours from the Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue Metropolitan Area, Pumpkin Ridge is conveniently accessible to Pacific Northwest golfers.

About Escalante Golf

Founded in 1991, Escalante Golf is a boutique owner and operator of 17 luxury golf properties across nine states. The Fort Worth, Texas-based company has quietly assembled an impressive collection of exclusive clubs in key markets. Many have hosted several prestigious amateur and professional golf tournaments including the U.S. Mid-Amateur Golf Championship, the Charles Schwab Cup, the WGC Match Play Championship and the Shell Houston Open. The firm's culture emphasizes personal service, integrity, long-term stability and operational excellence. Operating partners David McDonald, Elcio Silva, Robert Silva and David Matheson direct the Escalante team.

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