

Noted Golf Artist Lee Wybranski Creates Two Posters For Ryder Cup



Flagstaff, Ariz. (Sept. 1, 2016) -- It has been a busy summer for artist Lee Wybranski, but his work is far from over. After painting official posters for the U.S. Open, Open Championship, and PGA Championship, he is producing not one, but *two* pieces of art to commemorate the 41st Ryder Cup, which will be held at Hazeltine National Golf Club in Chaska, Minnesota, September 30-October 2.

The official event poster shows the 16th hole—which will play as the 7th during the Ryder Cup—as it runs along Lake Hazeltine. But knowing that the hole is already one of the best known on the course, Wybranski looked for something different, which he found in the replica of the Swilken Bridge from Scotland’s St. Andrews.

“A bridge is a natural element to work in, but it’s extra special because it is dedicated to Payne Stewart, who won the U.S. Open at Hazeltine in 1991. Payne is known as such a great sportsman and Ryder Cup competitor, and I feel honoring him is a nice tip of the cap to both him and the matches.”

The second poster will be a radical departure for Wybranski, who usually paints elements of the golf landscape such as courses and clubhouses. This one will be about the trophy and the teams, which means he can’t finish it until the very last minute when all the players have been selected.

“It will be a much more graphic piece,” Wybranski says, “not based on illustration as I usually do, but the names of the players from both the American and European teams, big and bold. And since the last player isn’t announced until the Sunday before the matches begin, I’ll be working right up to the last minute. But it will be one of the few items available with the full list of players from both sides.”

Along with the two posters, Wybranski also fashioned an embossed metal pub sign for the Ry-

der Cup Matches that is already for sale. He created pub signs for the last two U.S. Opens and both were big hits.

“The Hazeltine pub sign shows my second favorite view of the course, which is from the top of the hill on the 10th fairway and you can see two greens—the 10th and the 16th (which will be the 7th for the Ryder Cup matches)—stacked with a view of the lake behind them. I always like views with two or three greens in one look, and I’m very excited about how this sign came together.”

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