

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – September 30, 2024**

### **Sam Burns Goes Undefeated to Help Team USA to its 10<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Presidents Cup Win**

**Baton Rouge, LA** – Former Calvary Baptist Academy golfer, Sam Burns, helped team USA to its 10<sup>th</sup> straight win at the Presidents Cup to move the series to 13-1-1. The Americans finished on Sunday at the Royal Montreal Golf Club with a final score of 18.5-11.5.

Burns got off to a great start in Thursday's Four-ball match as he and his partner, Patrick Cantlay, defeated Corey Connors and Hideki Matsuyama of the international team by a final of 2&1 in match play. Team USA completed a 5-0 sweep on Thursday to kick things off.

On Friday, the international team responded with a 5-0 sweep of its own in foursomes to equalize the totals heading into Saturday. Burns did not play on Friday.

Burns and Cantlay picked up their second win on Saturday morning in a four-ball match over Matsuyama and Sungjae Im to help the Americans to a two-point lead before the afternoon. In the afternoon Burns was paired with Collin Morikawa for foursomes against Connors and Mackenzie Hughes of the International squad. Burns and his partner finished 1 Up to extend Burns individual record to 3-0 for the weekend and put USA up by four ahead of Sunday.

In Sunday singles, Burns was pitted against a good friend of his in Tom Kim. Burns and Kim are good friends with world No. 1, Scottie Scheffler. The trio is often seen playing their practice rounds together ahead of PGA Tour events. Burns carded six birdies in his final round to finish the match with a tie.

The 18.5 – 11.5 win marked the largest margin of victory for an away team in Presidents Cup History. After going 3-0-1, Burns was the only undefeated player for the weekend.

“The majority of the people out here are not rooting for us,” said Burns on the environment following his tie Sunday. “We knew that coming in. We tried to embrace it and use it as fuel and overall, I think we did a good job of that. We got a long way to go this afternoon but I’m proud of our guys.”

While in high school Burns helped lead Calvary Baptist Academy to a total of five-straight championships from 2010-14. He was a three-time individual state champion during his time at Calvary, winning back-to-back Division III state titles with winning scores of 2-under 140 in 2013 and 8-under 134 at East Ridge Country Club in Shreveport. The Choudrant native was also crowned the Division IV state champion in 2012 with a winning score of 6-under 138 in the event held at Atchafalaya Country Club in Patterson, Louisiana.

After high school Burns went on to become the 2017 Division I Jack Nicklaus National Player of the Year after two stellar seasons leading the LSU Tigers to back-to-back National Championship tournaments. Burns holds LSU's lowest single season scoring average with a 70.05 in 2016-17. The two-time PING All-American turned pro following his sophomore year and hasn't slowed down since.

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