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Nick Dunlap named 2024 PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year

Dunlap receives Arnold Palmer Award after becoming first amateur to win TOUR event in three decades

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Florida – The PGA TOUR today announced that 20-year-old Nick Dunlap has won the Arnold Palmer Award as the PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year for the 2024 season. Dunlap, who became the first player in TOUR history to win as an amateur and a professional in the same season, is the youngest player to be named PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year since Jordan Spieth in 2013.

“On behalf of the PGA TOUR, congratulations to Nick Dunlap on being named PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year,” said PGA TOUR Commissioner Jay Monahan. “Nick carved out his place in the PGA TOUR record book. To begin 2024 as a collegiate golfer and end it with two PGA TOUR victories and among the top-50 players in the FedExCup is truly impressive.”

Rookie of the Year is determined by a member vote, with PGA TOUR members who played in at least 15 events during the 2024 season eligible to vote. The voting period ran from November 25 through December 4. Dunlap received 57 percent of the vote for the Arnold Palmer Award and was selected over three other nominees: Max Greyserman, Jake Knapp and Matthieu Pavon.

Starting the year as a sophomore at the University of Alabama, Dunlap won The American Express in January, becoming the first amateur to win a PGA TOUR event since 1991 (Phil Mickelson/Northern Telecom Open). Dunlap recorded a 60 in the third round to hold a three-shot lead in his fourth PGA TOUR start, which he went on to win by one shot. Four days after the victory, Dunlap announced his decision to turn professional and subsequently joined the PGA TOUR, making his professional debut the following week at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

In July, Dunlap added to his historic season with a victory at the Barracuda Championship, becoming the first player in TOUR history to win as an amateur and a professional in the same season. Dunlap, who qualified for his first FedExCup Playoffs at No. 67 in the FedExCup, finished T5 at the FedEx St. Jude Championship and advanced to the BMW Championship. Dunlap finished No. 49 in the FedExCup, qualifying him for the TOUR’s Signature Events in 2025 by virtue of finishing among the top 50.

Dunlap ended his amateur career as the No. 1 player in the World Amateur Golf Ranking. He won the 2021 U.S. Junior Amateur and the 2023 U.S. Amateur, joining Tiger Woods as the only players to win each title.

At the age of 20 years, 11 months, 12 days, Dunlap becomes the second-youngest player to be named PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year behind Jordan Spieth who received the 2013 award at the age of 20 years, 2 months.

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