



2009 50th Bob Hope Classic hosted by Arnold Palmer
(The third of 37 events in the PGA TOUR Regular Season)

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| La Quinta, CA | January 21-25, 2009 | FedExCup Points: 500 (winner) | Purse: \$5,100,000 |
| Arnold Palmer Private/PGA West; La Quinta, CA | | Par/Yards: 72/6,930 | |
| Jack Nicklaus Private/PGA West; La Quinta, CA | | Par/Yards: 72/6,951 | |
| Bermuda Dunes CC; Bermuda Dunes, CA | | Par/Yards: 72/6,962 | |
| Palmer Course at SilverRock Resort, La Quinta, CA | | Par/Yards: 72/7,553 | |

Fifth/Final-Round Notes – Sunday, January 25, 2009

*Weather: Mostly Sunny. Winds variable at 5-15 mph in the morning, then 15-30 mp after noon.
 High temperature of 70.*

Pat Perez stuffed a 6-iron to within 3 feet, 1 inch from 199 yards on the final hole Sunday to wrap up his first PGA TOUR win. Perez, playing in the final threesome, rolled in the eagle putt at the closing par-5 to wind up at 33-under par, three better than John Merrick, who earned his career-best finish.

Pat Perez becomes the fifth player in the 50 years of the Bob Hope Classic to earn his first PGA TOUR win in this event:

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| 2009 | Pat Perez | 1st win | 198th career start |
| 2007 | Charlie Hoffman | 1 st win | 41 st career start |
| 1986 | Donnie Hammond | 1 st of 2 | 87 th career start |
| 1980 | Craig Stadler | 1 st of 13 | 106 th career start |
| 1978 | Bill Rogers | 1 st of 6 | 68 th career start |

Pat Perez joins a growing list of comeback winners in this event. Perez came from three strokes off the pace in the final round to reach the winner's circle, joining several others in the past dozen years.

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Winner</u> | <u>After 72</u> | <u>Final day</u> | <u>Result</u> |
|-------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 2009 | Pat Perez | trailed by 3 | shot 69 | won by 3 |
| 2008 | D.J. Trahan | trailed by 4 | shot 65 | won by 3 |
| 2007 | Charley Hoffman | trailed by 4 | shot 71 | won playoff over John Rollins |
| 2005 | Justin Leonard | trailed by 2 | shot 67 | won by 3 |
| 2003 | Mike Weir | trailed by 4 | shot 67 | won by 2 |
| 2002 | Phil Mickelson | trailed by 4 | shot 64 | won playoff over David Berganio, Jr. |
| 2000 | Jesper Parnevik | trailed by 2 | shot 65 | won by 1 |
| 1999 | David Duval | trailed by 7 | shot 59 | won by 1 |
| 1998 | Fred Couples | trailed by 3 | shot 66 | won playoff over Bruce Lietzke |
| 1997 | John Cook | trailed by 3 | shot 63 | won by 1 |

Low rounds of the day:

- 63 Stephen Ames
- 64 Chad Campbell, Matt Kuchar
- 65 Brad Adamonis, Nick Watney

Steve Stricker's 5-over-par 77 today ties the second-highest final-round score by a 72-hole leader in tournament history. The highest final-round score by a leader/co-leader was an 80 turned in by Lucas Glover, who held a share of the lead in 2007 before posting an 8-over 80 at the Classic Club. Co-leader Billy Casper also posted a 77 in 1962

When tournament leader Steve Stricker made a triple-bogey at No. 7 today, it halted his bogey-free streak at 45 holes. Stricker's last hiccup had come on the 15th hole at SilverRock in round two. He then negotiated the third and fourth rounds without a bogey.

Sunday's windy conditions turned the otherwise benign Palmer Private course into a much different layout. Below are the scoring conditions for each of the five rounds at the host course:

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| Wednesday | 67.469 |
| Thursday | 68.781 |
| Friday | 67.406 |
| Saturday | 68.031 |
| Sunday | 70.351 |

Biggest movers on the final day:

| <u>Player</u> | <u>Started</u> | <u>Shot</u> | <u>Finished</u> | <u>Moved UP</u> |
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| Matt Kuchar | T68 | 64 | T25 | 43 spots |
| Stephen Ames | T45 | 63 | T4 | 41 |
| Chad Campbell | T45 | 64 | T9 | 36 |
| Nick Watney | T60 | 65 | T25 | 35 |
| Brad Adamonis | T39 | 65 | T9 | 30 |
| Brian Gay | T45 | 66 | T18 | 27 |

Players who were bogey-free on the final day:

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| 64 | Matt Kuchar |
| 66 | Brian Gay |

Stephen Ames must love the California desert. Ames, who has earned \$1,515,000 in his last three starts in the LG Skins game (winner in 2006, 2007), shot a 9-under 63 today. His day included a pair of eagles on par-5s (Nos. 11 and 2) to vault him up the leaderboard. Ames wound up at 27-under par 333 and T4.

Rookie Webb Simpson is off to an impressive start in 2009. The 23-year old Wake Forest graduate posted a final-round 69 today to finish T4, his second straight top-10 finish. Simpson rolled in a short birdie putt on the final hole, which added an additional \$54,570 to his pocket. Simpson, who played on the 2008 Nationwide Tour, wound up T9 at last week's Sony Open in Hawaii. Simpson earned \$192,270 this week and is currently No. 12 on the money list.

Scott Piercy saw his bogey-free streak in this event end today. The 30-year old rookie suffered a bogey on the 5th hole, stopping his streak at 76 holes. Piercy was the only player in the field to negotiate each of the first four rounds without a bogey.

John Mallinger recorded the third ace of the week during Sunday's final round. Mallinger used a 5-iron on the 183-yard, 3rd hole for his hole-in-one. John Senden and Briny Baird registered aces earlier in the week.

Mike Weir, 2003 champion, finished T3 this week, his first start of the 2009 season. Weir continues where he left off in 2008, when he posted top-10 finishes in six of his final eight starts. Weir also began the 2008 season on a high note with a fourth-place effort at the Mercedes-Benz Championship. He went on to finish No. 6 in the FedExCup standings and No. 14 on the season money list, earning a career-best \$3,020,135.

Cameron Beckman's 6-under 66 featured only four pars today. Beckman had nine birdies, three bogeys, one eagle and one double-bogey.