



2009 Frys.com Open

(The third of five events in the PGA TOUR Fall Series)

Scottsdale, AZ Grayhawk Golf Club October 19-25, 2009

Purse: \$5,000,000 (\$900,000 to the winner)

Par/Yards: 35-35—70/7,125

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, October 25, 2009

Weather: Sunny with temperatures in the mid-80s. Winds light and variable.

Troy Matteson followed up a PGA TOUR consecutive 36-hole record 122 (61-61) in rounds two and three with a 2-under 68 Sunday and then defeated Rickie Fowler (64) and Jamie Lovemark (64) in a playoff to win the 2009 Frys.com Open. All three players parred the first extra hole, before Matteson hit his approach shot on the par-4 17th hole to 21 inches for the victory.

The victory is the second of Matteson's career, with the first coming at the 2006 Frys.com Open, a separate tournament now known as the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open.

The three players in the playoff combined for 127 career PGA TOUR starts as professionals, with Matteson accounting for 121 starts. Lovemark and Fowler were making their fourth and second professional PGA TOUR start, respectively.

Jamie Lovemark, 2007 NCAA individual champion and National Player of the Year as a freshman for the University of Southern California, appeared headed for elimination on the first playoff hole as his approach shot landed in the water before bouncing out and into the greenside rough. He then got up and down for par to continue to the second playoff hole.

The 2009 season has produced 12 playoffs, including all three of the Fall Series events: Turning Stone Resort Championship (won by Matt Kuchar), Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open (won by Martin Laird) and the Frys.com Open (won by Matteson).

Both Jamie Lovemark (2007 Rochester Area Charities Showdown at Somerby) and Rickie Fowler (2009 Nationwide Children's Hospital Invitational) lost in playoffs as amateurs on the Nationwide Tour.

Rickie Fowler entered the final round four strokes behind Troy Matteson, but erased that lead by going 5-under on the first five holes, punctuated by a hole-in-one with a 6-iron from 211 yards on the par-3 fifth. Less than five minutes later, Matteson countered with an eagle on the par-5 fourth to take back the lead.

Fowler made his second pro PGA TOUR start on Sunday and has yet to record a round outside of the 60s. He carded rounds of 67-64-69-68 (16-under) to finish T7 last week at the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open and rounds of 65-64-69-64 (18-under) to finish T2 this week.

Fowler has collected \$553,700 the past two weeks to surpass No. 150 from the 2008 money list, earning him special temporary membership on the PGA TOUR for the remainder of the season.

While Troy Matteson posted consecutive 61s on Friday and Saturday, Mike Weir got in on the action with a 9-under 61 on Sunday. It equals his career-low round, set during the first round of the 2008 Deutsche Bank Championship (finished second). Kevin Stadler posted a 61 at Grayhawk GC a year ago to lay his claim on the course record as well.

Mike Weir has top-10 finishes in all three of his starts at the Frys.com Open (2007-1st, 2008-T4, 2009-T6).

The win for Matteson was his sixth top-25 finish of the season, but his first top-10 effort. His previous best finish in 2009 was T14 at the Buick Open. He collects \$900,000 with the victory and moves from No. 131 to No. 55 on the official money list.

Troy Matteson is now two for three when holding at least a share of the 54-hole lead, winning the 2006 Frys.com Open, finishing T2 at the 2006 FUNAI Golf Classic at Walt Disney World Resort and winning the 2009 Frys.com Open.

It was a prosperous week for Georgia Tech Yellow Jacket alums. Along with Matteson's victory, Bryce Molder finished T6 and Nicholas Thompson finished T8 (including an ace and double eagle). Former Yellow Jackets have now won two of three Fall Series events (Matteson and Matt Kuchar-Turning Stone Resort Championship).

Chris Stroud, who entered the week in the hot seat at No. 125 on the money list, finished T8 (despite a triple bogey on the par-4 12th hole) to jump to No. 111 on the money list. David Duval now holds down the 125th spot with just two events left in the 2009 season.

Rocco Mediate entered the week at No. 151 on the money list, but a T13 finish in Scottsdale propelled him to No. 141 in the standings.

One day after three aces were recorded at Grayhawk Golf Club, Rickie Fowler got in on the action Sunday with a hole-in-one at the par-3 fifth hole, with a 6-iron from 211 yards. There were a total of four aces (and one double eagle) recorded this week, still below a season-high eight at the RBC Canadian Open in July.

| Round 3 | Nicholas Thompson | No. 13 | 199 yards (7-iron) |
|---------|-------------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Round 3 | Chad Campbell | No. 16 | 199 yards (6-iron) |
| Round 3 | Ted Purdy | No. 16 | 199 yards (5-iron) |
| Round 3 | Nicholas Thompson | No. 11 | 261 yards (3-wood, double eagle) |
| Round 4 | Rickie Fowler | No. 5 | 211 yards (6-iron) |

Here's a look at the updated Kodak Challenge standings with just two events left before a \$1 million prize is given to the winner following the Children's Miracle Network Classic:

| 1. | Kevin Streelman | 16-under |
|-----|------------------|----------|
| T2. | J.J. Henry | 14-under |
| | Bo Van Pelt | 14-under |
| | Nathan Green | 14-under |
| T5. | Daniel Chopra | 13-under |
| | Ted Purdy | 13-under |
| | Jason Gore | 13-under |
| | Steve Lowery | 13-under |
| | Matt Bettencourt | 13-under |

Two of the three players in this week's field who have won on the Champions Tour this season made the cut this week, including Tom Pernice Jr. (T13) and Tom Lehman (T55). Michael Allen failed to advance to the weekend.

Scottsdale, AZ resident Martin Laird followed up his first career PGA TOUR win last week in Las Vegas with a T13 at the Frys.com Open (which included weekend rounds of 62-67). The only player to win in back-to-back weeks in 2009 was Tiger Woods at the Buick Open and World Golf Championships-Bridgestone Invitational.

The third-round leader/co-leader has now won 24 of 43 stroke-play events this season, with Troy Matteson performing the feat on Sunday. Prior to this week, Matt Kuchar was the last to do so at the Turning Stone Resort Championship. Matteson is the first third-round leader/co-leader to win the Frys.com Open.

How low were the scores this week at Grayhawk Golf Club? Chris DiMarco (68-69-69) was one of 19 players who posted all four rounds in the 60s, but he finished T55.

Scoring Averages at the par-70 Grayhawk Golf Club:

| | Front 9 | Back 9 | Total | Cumulative |
|----------|---------|--------|--------|------------|
| Thursday | 35.045 | 34.273 | 69.318 | |
| Friday | 34.649 | 34.519 | 69.168 | 69.243 |
| Saturday | 34.714 | 33.558 | 68.273 | 69.024 |
| Sunday | 34.156 | 33.961 | 68.117 | 68.856 |

The par-4 seventh hole played the toughest this week, with a 4.312 average. The par-5 11th hole was the easiest, at 4.578.

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