



2009 Viking Classic

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

Madison, MS
Annandale Golf Club

Oct. 26 – Nov. 1, 2009

Purse: \$3,600,000 (\$648,000 to the winner)
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,199

Saturday, October 31, 2009

The 2009 Viking Classic was cancelled due to unplayable course conditions at 11:15 a.m. CST.

On Friday night 1.75 inches of rain fell on Annandale Golf Club.

Rickie Fowler and Jamie Lovemark, who lost in a playoff to Troy Matteson at last week's Frys.com Open, can both use the top-10 exemption for the Children's Miracle Network Classic. They both have until Friday to commit to the Children's Miracle Network Classic.

In 2005, the Viking Classic (then named the Southern Farm Bureau Classic) was moved from October to November due to Hurricane Katrina.

The Viking Classic has been shortened due to weather nine times since its inception in 1968, including three times since moving to Annandale Golf Club. It was shortened in 1974, 1980, 1983, 1984, 1985 and 1989 when held in Hattiesburg, MS and 1994, 2002 and this year at Annandale Golf Club.

The last time a tournament was cancelled and not rescheduled was the 1996 AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am (unplayable course conditions).

The last time a tournament was rained out was the 1991 Independent Insurance Agent Open. It was originally in April and was rescheduled to October, and was eventually won by Fulton Allem.

Last time a final round was postponed and played later in the season was the 1998 AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am.

The Madison, MS area has received nearly 20 inches of rain over the last six weeks.

The last time two consecutive rounds were postponed on the PGA TOUR was the first two rounds of the 2005 BellSouth Classic. That event was reduced to 54 holes and completed on Monday with Phil Mickelson winning on the fourth hole of a five-way playoff, defeating Arjun Atwal, Rich Beem, Brandt Jobe and Jose Maria Olazabal. Rich Beem and Arjun Atwal are in the Viking Classic field this week.

This represents the 15th event on TOUR this season to experience a suspension or delay of play, most recent being the Turning Stone Resort Championship where play was suspended due to darkness both Thursday and Sunday evenings. Matt Kuchar and Vaughn Taylor completed four holes of a six-hole playoff on Monday morning with Kuchar victorious.

Ted Purdy's team won Wednesday's BankPlus Pro-Am.

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