



2009 Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open
(The second of five events in the PGA TOUR Fall Series)

Las Vegas, NV
TPC Summerlin

October 12-18, 2009

Purse: \$4,200,000 (\$756,000 to the winner)
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,223

First-Round Notes – Thursday, October 15, 2009

Weather: Sunny with temperatures in the low 80s. Winds N/NE 5-10 mph.

Spencer Levin, Troy Matteson and Tom Pernice, Jr. each shot a 9-under 62 in the first-round to take the lead by one shot over Bob Heintz and Martin Laird. Scott Piercy and Jim Furyk are two shots back.

Levin's 62 is a career-best round on TOUR. His previous best was a 63 earlier this year in Milwaukee.

Levin has never held a first-round lead on TOUR. He was T2 after the first round of the Legends Reno-Tahoe Open earlier this year, but finished T63.

Pernice's 62 equals his career-best round from the 2005 Children's Miracle Network Classic where he finished second behind Lucas Glover. Pernice shot a pair of 63s earlier this year at the Sony Open in Hawaii and the 50th Bob Hope Classic.

It is Pernice's second career first-round lead/co-lead. Pernice held the co-lead at the 1999 Bob Hope Classic before finishing T13.

Pernice is making his 529th start on the PGA TOUR. He has one career start on the Champions Tour, which he won last month at the SAS Championship.

Pernice is making his 18th career start in Las Vegas dating back to 1986. Both of Pernice's top 10s in Las Vegas have come in the last three years (T7 in 2006 and T8 in 2008).

Tom Pernice, Jr. is looking to join Raymond Floyd (1992), Craig Stadler (2003) and Fred Funk (2007) as players to win on both the Champions Tour and PGA TOUR in the same season.

No official record exists of the lowest round on TOUR by a player over 50, but Fred Funk shot a 62 in the first round when he won the 2007 Mayakoba Golf Classic and Craig Stadler had a 63 in the final-round when he won the 2003 B.C. Open, both at the age of 50.

Troy Matteson, who won the 2006 Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, shot a career-best 62 in the first round today. His previous best round was a 63 at the 2008 Children's Miracle Network Classic.

Matteson has held two other first-round leads/co-leads in his TOUR career including the 2008 Children's Miracle Network Classic (T6) and the 2008 Buick Invitational (T11).

In his last 12 October starts dating back to 2006, Matteson has seven top-10 finishes. He has been in the top-30 in nine of his last 12 October starts.

After winning his first start in Las Vegas in 2006, Matteson has missed the cut his last two starts here (2007 and 2008).

Martin Laird, who finished No. 125 on the 2008 money list in his rookie season, is looking for his second top-2 finish in the state of Nevada this season. Laird finished T2 earlier this year at the Legends Reno-Tahoe Open. Last season, Laird finished T4 at the Legends Reno-Tahoe Open and finished T47 at the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open.

Laird's 63 matches his career-best round set at the 2008 Wyndham Championship (T4).

Playing in his 18th TOUR event of the season, Bob Heintz is looking for his second top 10. Heintz finished T8 earlier this year at the Buick Open.

Bob Heintz's 63 matched his career-best round on TOUR from the 2008 Wyndham Championship (T53).

Heintz's best finishes on TOUR are T5s at the 2005 Valero Texas Open, 2007 U.S. Bank Championship and 2007 Canadian Open.

Heintz, who got in the field on Wednesday as the third alternate, missed the cut in his last Las Vegas start in 2007 and finished T58 in 2005.

Below is where the top four players after the first-round of the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open stand on the season money list:

T1	Tom Pernice, Jr.	161
T1	Troy Matteson	132
T1	Spencer Levin	139
T2	Bob Heintz	182
T2	Martin Laird	134

Jim Furyk (64), a three-time winner of the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open (1995, 1998-1999), turned in his second-best round of the season. Furyk shot a 63 in the first-round of the Deutsche Bank Championship on his way to a T8 finish.

Furyk's tournament-best score is a 63 when he won in 1998. Furyk has only missed the cut one time at this tournament in 13 previous appearances. He has finished in the top 25 all other 12 times.

Furyk is making his first start in Las Vegas since 2006.

PGA TOUR rookie and Las Vegas native Scott Piercy tied his career-best round with a 7-under 64. Piercy also had a 64 earlier this year at the Buick Open (T28) and at the 2006 Reno-Tahoe Open (T63).

With his wife Sara expected to go into labor any day, Piercy is making the most of his fourth start at the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open. He missed the cut in 2007, finished T44 in 2006 and T58 in 2005. His previous low round at this event was a 65 in 2005.

There are four former UNLV Rebel golfers in the field this week. Below are their standings through the first-round.

Player	Position Through Rd 1	1st Round Score
Chad Campbell	T26	67
Chris Riley	T112	73
Charley Hoffman	T13	66
Bill Lunde	T38	68

Stuart Appleby (T70), No. 130 on the money list, has not finished below No. 55 on the final TOUR money list since his rookie year in 1996 (12 straight seasons). Appleby, who has only one top-10 finish this season, has had three or more top 10s every season since 1996 when he had one. Appleby has two top-25 finishes this season, which is the worst of his career. His five top 25s in 1996 were his previous career low.

The PGA TOUR's Fall Series events are a time for players to move into the top 125 on the money list and earn full exempt status on the TOUR in 2010. Australian Matt Jones is in the No. 125 spot coming into the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open. Below are player's ranked No. 125-130 before the Shriners event and their current standing:

No. Before Turning Stone	Player	Current Standing at Shriners
125	Matt Jones	DNP
126	Bill Lunde	T38
127	Todd Hamilton	T125
128	Chris Riley	T112
129	Chris Stroud	T52
130	Stuart Appleby	T70

No rookie has won on TOUR this year – something that hasn't happened since 1998, when Steve Flesch won Rookie of the Year honors. At 44th on the money list, Australian Marc Leishman leads all rookies. Leishman was the only rookie to play in THE TOUR Championship and finished 20th in the FedExCup standings. Other rookies that are playing well this season include:

Player	Money List Standing	First-Round
Marc Leishman	44	T125 (+4)
Webb Simpson	71	T112 (+2)
Jeff Klauk	82	T8 (-6)
James Nitties	89	WD
Scott Piercy	86	T6 (-7)
Matt Bettencourt	106	130 (+6)
Bill Lunde	126	T38 (-3)
Aron Price	138	T96 (+1)

Last year, six of the seven Fall Series winners were at No.125 or higher on the money list prior to their win. The complete list of winners from the 2008 Fall Series includes:

Tournament	Champion	\$ prior to win	\$ after win
Viking Classic	Will MacKenzie	No. 178	No. 97
Turning Stone	Dustin Johnson	No. 128	No. 41
Valero Texas Open	Zach Johnson	No. 125	No. 55
Justin Timberlake	Marc Turnesa	No. 138	No. 75
Frys.com Open	Cameron Beckman	No. 175	No. 86
Ginn sur Mer Classic	Ryan Palmer	No. 143	No. 73
Children's Miracle	Davis Love III	No. 118	No. 48

The Kodak Challenge continues this week with the 560-yard, par-5 16th hole at TPC Summerlin as the featured hole this week. Players must play at least 18 of the 30 Kodak Challenge holes throughout the season to compete for \$1 million and the Kodak Challenge title. A player's lowest score relative to par on his best 18 Kodak Challenge holes will be counted.

Kodak Challenge leader, Kevin Streelman registered a birdie to extend his lead to 14-under par. Streelman missed a 29-foot eagle putt by four inches

Steve Lowery made an unusual and unexpected three stroke move up the leaderboard today to land at 13-under par; one shot off Streelman's lead. The Kodak Challenge's unique scoring rule allows players to record their best 18 scores. Because this event represents Lowery's 19th Kodak Challenge hole, his eagle on #16 replaced a previously recorded bogey on an earlier Kodak Challenge hole.

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