



## BMW Championship

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### 2014 BMW Championship

**Dates:** September 1-7, 2014

**Where:** Cherry Hills Golf Club, Cherry Hills Village, Colo.

**Par/Yards:** 35-35--70/7,352 yards

**Field:** 69 (Dustin Johnson)

**2013 champion:** Zach Johnson

**Purse:** \$8,000,000/\$1,440,000 (winner)

**FedExCup:** Top 30 in FedExCup after BMW Championship advance to TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola

**Format:** 72-hole stroke-play

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### A look at the 2013 BMW Championship

Zach Johnson overcame the third-round lead of Jim Furyk to win his 10<sup>th</sup> PGA TOUR title in a Monday finish at Conway Farms Golf Club outside Chicago. Johnson entered the fourth round trailing Furyk, who had posted just the sixth 59 in PGA TOUR history in the second round, by three shots. He responded with a bogey-free 65 en route to a 2-shot win over Nick Watney and three over Furyk. Johnson went on to play in the FedExCup Playoff finale, the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola for the fifth time in seven years, finishing fifth in the final standings.

### Cherry Hills Golf Club

The 2014 BMW Championship will be conducted at Cherry Hills Golf Club in Englewood, Colo. The William Flynn designed course has hosted seven Major Championships and two U.S. Amateur Championships since it opened in 1922. Cherry Hills, Winged Foot Golf Club in Mamaroneck, N.Y., and Hazeltine National Golf Club in Chaska, Minn., are the only courses to have hosted the U.S. Open, U.S. Senior Open, U.S. Amateur and U.S. Women's Open. Past Champions at Cherry Hills include Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus and Phil Michelson.

### A look to 2015

The BMW Championship returns in 2015 for the second time in three years to Conway Farms Golf Club in Lake Forest, Ill.

### The BMW Championship and the FedExCup Playoffs

The BMW Championship is the third of four events of the PGA TOUR Playoffs for the FedExCup – with the entire season building toward this four-tournament stretch. There is more on the line than just the BMW Championship trophy – as players jockey for the coveted top-30 position to advance to the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola.

- Each Playoff event offers 2,500 FedExCup points to the winner.
- The top 125 players on the final PGA TOUR Season FedExCup points list qualified for The Barclays.
- The top 100 players on the FedExCup points list following The Barclays qualified for the Deutsche Bank Championship, with 25 players having been eliminated following the first week of the Playoffs.
- The top 70 on the points list following the Deutsche Bank Championship qualify for the BMW Championship, with 30 players having been eliminated from the Playoffs.
- The top 30 on the points list following the BMW Championship qualify for the year-end TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola, with 40 players being eliminated from the Playoffs.

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- A points reset will take place following the BMW Championship giving all 30 players in the field at the TOUR Championship a mathematical chance to win the FedExCup. The top five players control their own destiny and can win the FedExCup with a victory at the TOUR Championship.

**2014 FedExCup Playoff summaries**

**The Barclays**

Beginning the final round of The Barclays one stroke behind co-leaders Jason Day and Jim Furyk, Hunter Mahan birdied four of his last six holes at Ridgewood CC to claim a two-stroke victory over Day, Stuart Appleby and Cameron Tringale. Mahan, who has qualified for the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola all seven years since the inception of the FedExCup in 2007, moved to No. 1 in the FedExCup standings, and currently sits third entering the BMW Championship.

**Deutsche Bank Championship**

Beginning the final round two strokes out of the lead, Chris Kirk posted a bogey-free, 5-under 66 to claim a two-stroke win over Geoff Ogilvy, Billy Horschel and third-round leader Russell Henley. Kirk, who moved to No. 1 in the FedExCup standings, played his last 37 holes in 14-under and with no bogeys. With the win, Kirk earned his third career PGA TOUR victory at the age of 29 years, 3 months and 24 days in his 114<sup>th</sup> career start on the PGA TOUR.

**More on Chris Kirk:**

- Kirk becomes the sixth multiple winner of the 2013-2014 PGA TOUR Season, joining Rory McIlroy (3), Jimmy Walker (3), Patrick Reed (2), Martin Kaymer (2) and Bubba Watson (2).
- Kirk claimed the eighth win on the PGA TOUR this season by a player to hail from the University of Georgia; Chris Kirk (2), Bubba Watson (2), Russell Henley, Harris English, Brendon Todd and Brian Harman.

**The top five**

The top five in the FedExCup Playoff standings is the goal for players after the BMW Championship is played and the 70-man field has been trimmed to 30. The top five in the standings entering the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola will control their own destiny and will win the FedExCup with a victory at East Lake GC. Here's a look at the top five headed into this week's BMW Championship.

**Current top five:**

FEC Rank	Player	FedExCup Points	Wins	Top 10 FEC points behind
1	Chris Kirk	4,154	2	4 --
2	Rory McIlroy	3,335	3	10 819
3	Hunter Mahan	3,311	1	6 843
4	Jimmy Walker	2,823	3	10 1,331
5	Matt Kuchar	2,618	1	11 1,536

**Current players on the top-30 bubble:**

FEC Rank	Player
25	Brendon Todd
26	Stuart Appleby
27	Justin Rose
28	Keegan Bradley
29	Gary Woodland
30	Hideki Matsuyama

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Six players inside the top 70 beginning the Deutsche Bank Championship were eliminated from the FedExCup Playoffs:

Name	Pre-DBC	DBC finish	Post-DBC
Ryo Ishikawa	56 <sup>th</sup>	MC	72 <sup>nd</sup>
Justin Hicks	58 <sup>th</sup>	MC	75 <sup>th</sup>
Ben Martin	63 <sup>rd</sup>	MC	76 <sup>th</sup>
Scott Langley	65 <sup>th</sup>	T65	77 <sup>th</sup>
Shawn Stefani	67 <sup>th</sup>	68 <sup>th</sup>	83 <sup>rd</sup>
Scott Brown	70 <sup>th</sup>	77 <sup>th</sup>	85 <sup>th</sup>

Six players outside the top 70 beginning the Deutsche Bank Championship played their way into the BMW Championship, including Morgan Hoffman, who started the FedExCup Playoffs in 124<sup>th</sup> position:

Name	Pre-DBC	DBC finish	Post-DBC
Billy Horschel	82 <sup>nd</sup>	T2	20 <sup>th</sup>
Geoff Ogilvy	100 <sup>th</sup>	T2	24 <sup>th</sup>
Chesson Hadley	84 <sup>th</sup>	T9	57 <sup>th</sup>
Carl Pettersson	93 <sup>rd</sup>	T9	66 <sup>th</sup>
Morgan Hoffmann	72 <sup>nd</sup>	T35	68 <sup>th</sup>
Ben Crane	78 <sup>th</sup>	T29	69 <sup>th</sup>

**Chesson Hadley**

Only six rookies have advanced all the way to the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola in the FedExCup era, with all six going on to win PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year. Hadley, the lone rookie still competing in the FedExCup Playoffs, is currently 57th thanks to a T9 finish at the Deutsche Bank Championship.

- 2013 – Jordan Spieth/7th
- 2012 - John Huh/29th
- 2011 - Keegan Bradley/20th
- 2009 - Marc Leishman/20th
- 2008 - Andres Romero/28th
- 2007 - Brandt Snedeker/20<sup>th</sup>

**Miscellaneous Notes**

Four of the six winners on the Fall segment of the 2013-14 PGA TOUR Season are currently inside the top 30: Chris Kirk (1); Jimmy Walker (4); Webb Simpson (19); and Dustin Johnson (22). Just outside the top 30 are Harris English (31) and Ryan Moore (34).

Fifteen different players under the age of 30 have wins on the PGA TOUR this season, accounting for a total of 20 victories. Last week’s Deutsche Bank Championship winner Chris Kirk was the first player under the age of 30 to win a FedExCup Playoff event since Rory Mcllroy at the 2012 BMW Championship.

In Rory Mcllroy’s last five starts on the PGA TOUR, he has led the field in the Driving Distance category; The Open Championship (327.8), WGC-Bridgestone Invitational (334.8), PGA Championship (315.6), The Barclays (303.8) and Deutsche Bank Championship (304.1).

Hunter Mahan is the only player to have never missed a start in the FedExCup Playoffs (30 overall).

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In the five previous years (2009-2013) with the current FedExCup points system, a total of 13 players have played their way into the top 30 at the BMW Championship, including Luke Donald and Nick Watney in 2013.

Three players have made it to the TOUR Championship the first seven years of the FedExCup. Here's their year-by-year FedExCup finish and how they stand after the Deutsche Bank Championship:

Name	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 Current FEC
Steve Stricker	2 <sup>nd</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	18 <sup>th</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>	3rd	116 <sup>th</sup> – Eliminated
Phil Mickelson	3 <sup>rd</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	9th	56 <sup>th</sup>
Hunter Mahan	15 <sup>th</sup>	18 <sup>th</sup>	27 <sup>th</sup>	18 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	19 <sup>th</sup>	20th	3 <sup>rd</sup>

**Miscellaneous FedExCup Notes**

Top-10-finishes leaders (FedExCup Playoffs):

Name	Top 10s
Jim Furyk	13
Steve Stricker	13
Camilo Villegas	10
Phil Mickelson	10
Tiger Woods	10

Most rounds in the 60s in the Playoffs:

Name	Sub-70s
Steve Stricker	62
Jim Furyk	57
Adam Scott	56
Phil Mickelson	54
Hunter Mahan	52

Most rounds at par or better in the Playoffs:

Name	Par-or-Better
Jim Furyk	89
Steve Stricker	80
Phil Mickelson	81
Hunter Mahan	74

Past FedExCup Champions Remaining in 2014 FedExCup Playoffs

Player	Year Won	Pre-BMW Rank
Jim Furyk	2010	No. 8
Bill Haas	2011	No. 17
Henrik Stenson	2013	No. 55

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