



2015 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by MasterCard
(The 19th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Orlando, FL March 19-22, 2015
Bay Hill Club and Lodge

Purse: \$6,300,000 (\$1,134,000 winner)
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,419

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, March 22, 2015

Weather: Partly cloudy and warm, with a high of 88 degrees. Winds W 10-15 mph.

Final-Round Leaderboard

Position	Name	Score
1	Matt Every	68-66-69-66—269 (-19)
2	Henrik Stenson	68-66-66-70—270 (-18)
3	Matt Jones	71-65-67-68—271 (-17)

Matt Every

Matt Every, who entered the final round trailing Henrik Stenson by three strokes, carded a final-round 6-under 66 (highlighted by a 16'10" birdie on the 72nd hole) to edge Stenson by one stroke. It marks the ninth-consecutive come-from-behind winner on the PGA TOUR.

Every wins in his 118th start of his PGA TOUR career at the age of 31 years, 3 months and 18 days. With the victory, he earns a three-year exemption on TOUR and a berth in the upcoming Masters Tournament.

PGA TOUR wins (2):

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Every collects 500 points and moves from No. 158 to No. 22 in the FedExCup standings.

Every joins Tiger Woods and Loren Roberts (1994-95) as the only players to win in back-to-back years at Bay Hill. Roberts, like Every, also posted his first two career victories at the Arnold Palmer Invitational. He went on to win eight times.

Multiple Arnold Palmer Invitational winners: Tiger Woods (8 wins), Tom Kite (2), Roberts (2), Ernie Els (2) and Every (2).

Every is the third player this season to successfully defend a title, joining CIMB Classic winner Ryan Moore and Sony Open in Hawaii winner Jimmy Walker.

Since 2008, with his back-to-back wins at the Arnold Palmer Invitational in 2014 and 2015, Matt Every becomes just the 14th player (11th different player) to successfully defend a PGA TOUR title from the previous year.

Every becomes the TOUR's first player to post his first two career wins at the same event since Boo Weekley won the 2007 and 2008 RBC Heritage.

Every becomes this season's 19th different winner in as many events, a storyline which hasn't been featured since 1994, when 20 events passed before a multiple winner emerged.

Every wins in his sixth start in the Arnold Palmer Invitational (T52-2010, MC-2011, T24-2012, T34-2013, Won-2014, Won-2015).

Every's victory comes in his 10th start of the season. His previous-best finish this season was T27 at the Hyundai Tournament of Champions. His last top-10 finish came at the 2014 FedEx St. Jude Classic (T3).

Every becomes the ninth player in his 30s to win on TOUR this season, compared to eight winners in their 20s and two in their 40s.

Every posts the 14th come-from-behind win out of 19 stroke-play events on the PGA TOUR this season.

Every's Statistics for the Week:

Fairways Hit	41 of 56	T29
Driving Distance	290.3 yards	34
Greens in Regulation	58 of 72	2
Total Putts	113	T16
Strokes Gained: Putting	+1.227/round	8
Strokes Gained: Tee to Green	+2.628/round	2
Sand Saves	5 of 9	T38

About Matt Every

Birthdate: December 4, 1983

Birthplace/Residence: Daytona Beach, Fla./Jacksonville Beach, Fla.

Family: Wife, Danielle; Liam Steele, Quinn Palmer

Height/Weight: 5-11, 190

Turned Pro/Joined TOUR: 2006/2010

Web.com Tour Graduate: 2009, 2011

Third-Round Lead Notes

On just five of 19 occasions this season has a third-round leader emerged victorious and not since Bill Haas at the Humana Challenge.

Since moving to Bay Hill in 1979, 24 54-hole leaders have converted for victory. The last two seasons have featured come-from-behind winners, with Adam Scott in 2014 and Henrik Stenson in 2015 failing to convert.

Henrik Stenson

After entering the final round with a two-stroke cushion over Morgan Hoffmann, Henrik Stenson carded a 2-under 70 to finish one shot behind tournament winner Matt Every.

Stenson, who was seeking his fifth PGA TOUR victory, finishes runner-up on TOUR for the fourth time (2013 Shell Houston Open, 2013 Open Championship, 2013 WGC-Bridgestone Invitational, 2015 Arnold Palmer Invitational).

Stenson was hoping to join 2011 champion Martin Laird (native of Glasgow, Scotland) as the only European winners of the Arnold Palmer Invitational. Just four international players have won this event: Laird (2011), South African Ernie Els (1998 and 2010), Australian Rod Pampling (2006) and Vijay Singh of Fiji (2007).

Stenson is now one for two when holding the 54-hole lead on the PGA TOUR. At the 2013 TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola, Stenson took a 4-stroke lead into the final round at East Lake. With it, he came out not only with the tournament title, but FedExCup title honors.

Stenson finishes runner-up in his seventh start in the Arnold Palmer Invitational, with his three top-10 finishes coming in his last three starts; T8/2013, T5/2014, 2/2015.

Morgan Hoffmann

Morgan Hoffmann, who entered the final round trailing playing partner Henrik Stenson by two strokes, carded a final-round 1-under 71 to finish solo-fourth.

Hoffmann was attempting to become the second-consecutive player (Matt Every) to make the Arnold Palmer Invitational his first PGA TOUR victory. Prior to Every, Paul Goydos performed the feat last in 1996. Hoffmann's best finish in 68 starts on TOUR is a solo-third at last year's BMW Championship.

After a 67-71-71 start at Bay Hill last year, his only other start in the event, Hoffmann was inside the top-10 at 7-under 209 through 54 holes (T8). A costly 6-over 78 Sunday resulted in a T35 finish.

Albatross Sightings at the Arnold Palmer Invitational

Not to be outdone by Daniel Berger's albatross on the sixth hole Saturday, Zach Johnson recorded an albatross on the par-5 16th hole Sunday with a 5-iron from 207 yards. It marks the sixth time since 1983 that a stroke-play tournament has featured multiple albatrosses (Note: the final round of The International featured two albatrosses in the Modified Stableford Scoring system):

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2005 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open
2005 Humana Challenge in partnership with the Clinton Foundation
2001 Open Championship
1988 Provident Classic

Berger's albatross on the par-5 sixth hole during the third round made him just the third player since 1983 to post a 2, 3, 4 and 5 on four par-5s in a round. The others were Tag Ridings (third round of the 2005 Humana Challenge) and Geoff Ogilvy (first round of the 2006 Honda Classic).

Since the PGA TOUR began keeping such records in 1983, Berger and Johnson's albatrosses are the first at the Arnold Palmer Invitational, and 105th and 106th on the PGA TOUR, respectively.

Additional Player Notes

In his first start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational, World No. 1 Rory McIlroy finished T11 at 11-under 277. In search of his 10th PGA TOUR title and first since the 2014 PGA Championship, McIlroy's Florida swing also included a missed cut at The Honda Classic and T9 at the WGC-Cadillac Championship.

Matt Jones finished third for his first top-10 finish in five starts at the Arnold Palmer Invitational. His previous-best finish here was T14 in 2014.

After missing the cut in his first two starts at the Arnold Palmer Invitational (2011, 2014), Ben Martin finished fifth for his first top-10 finish since winning the 2014 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open earlier this season.

Kevin Na finished T6 for his fifth top-15 finish in eight starts at the Arnold Palmer Invitational (MC-2005, MC-2006, T11-2009, T2-2010, T30-2011, T4-2012, T14-2014, T6-2015).

Jason Kokrak followed up a T7 at last week's Valspar Championship with a T6 this week, marking the first time in his PGA TOUR career he has strung together back-to-back top-10 finishes.

Making his 20th start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational, two-time champion (1998, 2010) Ernie Els finished T13.

In his sixth start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational, Arnold Palmer's grandson Sam Saunders finished T29. Here's a look at his finishes at this event: MC (2006), T50 (2010), T30 (2011), MC (2012), T43 (2014) and T29 (2015).

Brooks Koepka withdrew during the final round (No. 12), suffering from a dislocated rib he suffered earlier in the week. His only other start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational led to a T26 in 2014.

Miscellaneous Notes

Past Arnold Palmer Invitational champions who made the cut this week: Matt Every/2014 (Won), Ernie Els/1998, 2010 (T13), Martin Laird/2011 (T43) and Vijay Singh/2007 (T57).

Dr. Phillips Charities contributed \$5,000 to Orlando Health for every eagle made during the tournament through the "Eagles for Arnie Program." For the week, 49 eagles were made. In addition, \$10,000 was donated for eagle double eagle this week.

The hardest hole this week was the par-3 second hole, with a scoring average of 3.179. The easiest was the par-5 16th, with a 4.298 average.

Bogey-free rounds:

R1 – Morgan Hoffmann (66), John Peterson (67), Ian Poulter (67), Henrik Stenson (68), Keegan Bradley (68), Martin Laird (68), Hunter Mahan (68), George McNeill (69), Francesco Molinari (70), David Lingmerth (70).

R2 – Danny Lee (64), Blayne Barber (65), Matt Jones (65), Harris English (66), Ben Martin (67), Chesson Hadley (68), Daniel Summerhays (69).

R3 – Kiradech Aphibarnrat (65), Jason Kokrak (65), Brandt Snedeker (66), Henrik Stenson (66), Russell Knox (67), Zach Johnson (68), Sean O'Hair (68), Carl Pettersson (68), Adam Scott (69), Francesco Molinari (69).

R4 – Hudson Swafford (68)

Scoring Averages:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1	36.067	35.375	71.441	---
R2	35.858	35.108	70.967	71.204
R3	35.600	34.857	70.457	71.035
R4	36.058	35.449	71.507	71.121

