



BMW Championship

2015 BMW Championship

(The 3rd of 4 events in the FedExCup Playoffs)

Lake Forest, Ill.
Conway Farms Golf Club

Sept. 17-20, 2015

FedExCup Points: 2,000
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,198

Purse: \$8,250,000

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, September 20, 2015

Weather: Sunny and cooler. High of 70 degrees. Winds E/SE 5-10 mph.

Final-Round Leaderboard

Jason Day	61-63-69-69—262 (-22)
Daniel Berger	65-64-70-69—268 (-16)
Scott Piercy	67-65-67-70—269 (-15)

FedExCup and the BMW Championship

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

Each playoff event offers 2,000 FedExCup points to the winner, decreased by 500 points in 2015.

- The top 125 in the final PGA TOUR Season FedExCup standings following the Wyndham Championship qualified for The Barclays.
- The top 100 players on the FedExCup points list following The Barclays qualified for the Deutsche Bank Championship.
- The top 70 on the points list following the Deutsche Bank Championship qualified for the BMW Championship.
- The top 30 on the points list following the BMW Championship have now qualified for the year-end TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola.
- A points reset will now take place, giving all 30 players in the field at the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola 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.

The top five:

FEC Rank	Player
1	Jason Day
2	Jordan Spieth
3	Rickie Fowler
4	Henrik Stenson
5	Bubba Watson

Jason Day

In becoming the 19th different holder of the No. 1 position in the Official World Golf Ranking, Jason Day birdied the 18th hole in the final round to play the par-5 in 5-under on the week and claim his fourth win in six starts. Day's final-round, 2-under 69 was good for a six-stroke victory over PGA TOUR rookie Daniel Berger at 22-under 262.

The closest anyone came to Day on Sunday was when Berger made birdie at No. 14 to get to 16-under and narrow the gap to four strokes. At the time, Day was on No. 13.

Jason Day's PGA TOUR victories (7):

2010 AT&T Byron Nelson

2014 World Golf Championships-Dell Match Play

2015 Farmers Insurance Open, RBC Canadian Open, PGA Championship, The Barclays, BMW Championship

Day's year-by-year results in the FedExCup: 2008 (83), 2009 (48), 2010 (8), 2011 (12), 2012 (87), 2013 (17), 2014 (10).

Day at the BMW Championship: 2009/T59; 2010/T54; 2011/T49; 2013/T4; 2014/WD (back), 2015/1st.

Day's six-stroke win equals his margin of victory from The Barclays, which is the third-largest winning margin of the season on the PGA TOUR. The largest victory this season is nine shots. At the Sony Open in Hawaii, Jimmy Walker won by nine over Scott Piercy who, incidentally, was paired with Day in today's final round.

Day claims his seventh PGA TOUR win in his 170th PGA TOUR start at the age of 27 years, 10 months and 8 days. In doing so, he takes over the No. 1 spot in the Official World Golf Ranking, becoming the third player in as many weeks to claim the coveted top spot. Prior to his win at the RBC Canadian Open six starts ago, Day was ranked ninth.

Since Official World Golf Rankings have been kept (1986), this would mark just the third time there have been three different No. 1 players in as many weeks:

March 15, 1992 – Ian Woosnam
March 22, 1992 – Fred Couples
March 29, 1992 – Nick Faldo

June 15, 1997 – Tiger Woods
June 22, 1997 – Ernie Els
June 29, 1997 – Greg Norman

September 6, 2015 – Jordan Spieth
September 13, 2015 – Rory McIlroy
September 20, 2015 – Jason Day

Day becomes just the third Australian to claim the world's No. 1 spot, joining Greg Norman and Adam Scott. He also becomes the youngest Aussie to reach No. 1. When Norman first took over the world's top spot on September 24, 1986, he was 31 years, 7 months, 14 days. Scott was 33 years, 10 months, 2 days when he claimed the top spot on May 18, 2014.

Day becomes the first player during the FedExCup era to win The Barclays and BMW Championship in the same season.

On three occasions, the BMW Championship winner has gone on to claim the FedExCup title. Tiger Woods achieved the feat in 2007 and 2009, while Billy Horschel did so last season.

Day has now converted four of 10 54-hole leads to victories, including his last three (PGA Championship, The Barclays, BMW Championship).

The third-round leader/co-leader has now gone on to win 19 of 45 stroke-play events this season. Before this week, Day achieved the feat most recently at The Barclays.

The third-round leader/co-leader has now won 62 of 107 times at the BMW Championship. Before this week, Billy Horschel carried a three-stroke 54-hole lead over Ryan Palmer to a two-stroke win over Bubba Watson last season.

Day joins Jordan Spieth (Masters Tournament) as the only wire-to-wire winners on TOUR this season.

Day made 25 birdies and two eagles against just seven bogeys.

With his first PGA TOUR win at the 2010 AT&T Byron Nelson, Day became the 11th Aussie to win on the PGA TOUR. With his win today, his seventh on TOUR, he now has one more than Peter Thomson and is one win shy of Bruce Devlin. Greg Norman has the most, with 20.

Day has now posted scores of sub-70 in 22 of his last 24 rounds played on the PGA TOUR.

Dating to The Open Championship seven starts ago, Day is now a collective 101-under-par on the PGA TOUR.

Day's 193 total through 54 holes broke the previous low opening 54-hole record at the BMW Championship by four strokes: 197 – Camilo Villegas (2008), Tiger Woods (2009), Billy Horschel (2014).

Day's 193 total through three rounds was also a new 54-hole record for any three rounds at the BMW Championship. The previous mark was 195, set by Tiger Woods during the second through fourth rounds in 2007.

Prior to Day's 193 this week, the previous low opening 54-hole record on TOUR this season was 194 (Jimmy Walker at the Sony Open in Hawaii). Walker still owns the low 54-hole score this season for any three-consecutive rounds (191; rounds two through four at the Sony Open in Hawaii).

Day's six-shot lead through three rounds marked the largest lead after 54 holes on TOUR this season. The previous mark was held by J.B. Holmes, who led by five at the World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship. Incidentally, Holmes' final-round, 3-under 68 this week was good for a share of third place.

Day's 124 total through the first two rounds tied the PGA TOUR record for low opening 36 holes, is a BMW Championship 36-hole record and is the best 36-hole score on TOUR this season.

- Broke the BMW Championship (112-year history) record held by Morgan Hoffmann who had a 125 last year at the BMW Championship at Cherry Hills CC.
- Tied the PGA TOUR opening 36 hole record by Pat Perez (2009 CareerBuilder Challenge/20-under) and David Toms (2011 Crowne Plaza Invitational at Colonial/16-under).

Day's 61 in the first round marks the low start by a winner this season.

The BMW Championship has now produced 12 wire-to-wire winners (no ties). Prior to this week, Camilo Villegas (2008) and Tiger Woods (2003) won most recently in such fashion.

Day becomes the third player to win both a Major Championship and two FedExCup Playoffs event in the same season:
 Jason Day – 2015 PGA Championship, The Barclays, BMW Championship
 Rory McIlroy – 2012 PGA Championship, Deutsche Bank Championship, BMW Championship
 Tiger Woods – 2007 PGA Championship, BMW Championship, TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola

Tiger Woods has the most wins in FedExCup Playoffs events with three. Day joins eight other players with two wins in the Playoffs: Steve Stricker, Dustin Johnson, Phil Mickelson, Rory McIlroy, Camilo Villegas, Vijay Singh, Billy Horschel and Henrik Stenson.

International wins in the FedExCup Playoffs events by year:

2007	0
2008	4 (Vijay Singh-2, Camilo Villegas-2)
2009	0
2010	0
2011	1 (Justin Rose)
2012	2 (Rory McIlroy-2)
2013	3 (Adam Scott, Henrik Stenson-2)
2014	1 (Rory McIlroy)
2015	2 (Jason Day)

Since 2003, just three different players have won five or more times in a season:

2015	5	Jason Day
2013	5	Tiger Woods
2009	6	Tiger Woods
2007	7	Tiger Woods
2006	8	Tiger Woods
2005	6	Tiger Woods
2004	9	Vijay Singh
2003	5	Tiger Woods

Jason Day's Statistics:

Fairways Hit:	32/56
Driving Distance:	312.7
Greens in Regulation:	54/72
Total Putts:	107
Strokes Gained – Total:	15.978 (ranked 1 st)

About Jason Day

Birthdate: November 12, 1987
 Birthplace/Residence: Beaudesert, Queensland, Australia/Columbus, OH
 Family: Wife, Ellie; Dash James (7/11/12)
 Height/Weight: 6-0, 195
 Turned Pro: 2006
 Joined TOUR: 2008
 Web.com Tour Graduate: 2007

2014-15 PGA TOUR Season starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 19-17-10-5

Career PGA TOUR starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 170-133-46-7

Daniel Berger

PGA TOUR rookie Daniel Berger made five birdies and three bogeys in Sunday's final round to post a 2-under 69 and finish alone in second place, six strokes behind Jason Day.

With his solo-second finish, the 22-year-old Berger moves from No. 46 to ninth in the FedExCup standings and into this week's TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola.

Each of the six rookies who previously qualified for the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola also won Rookie of the Year honors:

Year	Player	FedExCup Finish
2013	Jordan Spieth	7 th
2012	John Huh	29 th
2011	Keegan Bradley	20 th
2009	Marc Leishman	20 th
2008	Andres Romero	28 th
2007	Brandt Snedeker	20 th

Berger was making his 30th start of the season this week, having now collected six top-10 finishes. His closest brush with victory came in his hometown area of Palm Beach Gardens at The Honda Classic, where he lost in sudden death to Padraig Harrington.

Following a T10 finish at the AT&T Byron Nelson, Berger fell into a slump defined by seven consecutive missed cuts. Berger got back on track at the Deutsche Bank Championship, finishing T12 and moving from 54th in the FedExCup standings to 46th headed into the BMW Championship.

Berger made his way onto the PGA TOUR this season by virtue of his 28th-place finish on last season's Web.com Tour priority list.

Rickie Fowler

Two-time PGA TOUR winner this season Rickie Fowler posted rounds of 69-66-66-69—270 (-14) to claim a share of fourth place with Rory McIlroy and J.B. Holmes.

Fowler was making his sixth-consecutive start in the BMW Championship this week. In 2013, when the event was last played at Conway Farms GC, he finished T39. At Cherry Hills GC last year, Fowler took home T4 honors.

Rory McIlroy

Despite his T3 finish this week, Rory McIlroy drops from No. 1 in the Official World Golf Ranking to No. 2.

McIlroy, the 2012 BMW Championship winner (Crooked Stick), posted scores of 68-65-67-70—270 (-14) and will head to this week's TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola ranked 10th in the FedExCup standings,

Jordan Spieth

Despite five birdies in his final round, Jordan Spieth also took two bogeys and a double bogey at the par-4 10th to post a 1-under 70 and settle for a share of 13th with four others at 11-under 273. Spieth was coming off a 1-over 72 in round three, his fifth over-par score in his last eight rounds.

At No. 2 in the FedExCup standings, Spieth remains one of the top five in the standings who can win the FedExCup title with a win this week at the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola. Spieth finished T27 at East Lake last year and T2 in his rookie year of 2013.

Zach Johnson

2013 BMW Championship winner (at Conway Farms GC) birdied the last five holes in the final round to claim a share of 13th place at 11-under 273 and move from seventh to sixth in the FedExCup standings. Should Johnson win at the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola and the No. 1 ranked player in the FedExCup standings finish worse than second alone, Johnson would win the FedExCup title.

Johnson will be making his seventh start in the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola in the FedExCup era, with a T2 in 2007 his best finish. Johnson finished 21st at East Lake last season.

Miscellaneous Notes

Players who moved inside the top 30 in the FedExCup standings and into the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola field:

Player	Before BMW	After BMW
Daniel Berger	46	9
Scott Piercy	44	20
Kevin Na	34	27
Harris English	32	30

Players who dropped out of the top 30 in the FedExCup standings and out of the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola:

Player	Before BMW	After BMW
Daniel Summerhays	26	31
Russell Knox	29	34
Ben Martin	25	35
Jason Bohn	28	40

Since 2009, the sixth-place position in the FedExCup standings headed into the BMW Championship has not been more than 512 points behind fifth place. This week, Charley Hoffman came into the week at No. 6, trailing Bubba Watson in fifth place by 1,027 points.

Defending FedExCup champion Billy Horschel finished the BMW Championship at 7-under 277 (T32) and was eliminated from this week's TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola.

Hunter Mahan, who was eliminated from the FedExCup Playoffs after his T32 finish this week, was the only player in the FedExCup era to advance each season to the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola and make all 35 starts in the Playoffs. With a T4 finish at TPC Boston, he moved from No. 91 entering the Deutsche Bank Championship to No. 52 to keep his streak alive. Here's a look at his year-by-year FedExCup finishes:

Name	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Hunter Mahan	15 th	18 th	27 th	18 th	7 th	19 th	20 th	6 th	49 th

Past FedExCup Champions scheduled to compete at the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola:

Player	Year Won	FEC Rank
Jim Furyk	2010	16
Bill Haas	2011	26
Brandt Snedeker	2012	23
Henrik Stenson	2013	4

Four players ranked between No. 71-100 at the Deutsche Bank Championship played their way into the top 70 to advance to the BMW Championship. Here's the list of players who moved inside the top 70:

Player	FEC before DBC	FEC after DBC	FEC after BMW
Hunter Mahan	91	52	49
Keegan Bradley	71	63	60
Jerry Kelly	94	65	68
Will McGirt	88	68	69

Of the eight players who entered The Barclays ranked No. 101 – 125 in the FedExCup standings, Zac Blair was the only one to advance to the BMW Championship:

Player	FEC before DBC	FEC after DBC	FEC after BMW
Zac Blair	45	51	59
Luke Donald	87	80 (eliminated)	DNP
Spencer Levin	80	82 (eliminated)	DNP
Camilo Villegas	99	84 (eliminated)	DNP
Johnson Wagner	92	87 (eliminated)	DNP
Jason Dufner	82	88 (eliminated)	DNP
Carlos Ortiz	83	93 (eliminated)	DNP
Mark Wilson	85	95 (eliminated)	DNP

Top-10-finishes leaders (FedExCup Playoffs):

Name	Top 10s
Jim Furyk	16
Steve Stricker	13
Sergio Garcia	11

Most rounds in the 60s in the Playoffs:

Name	Sub-70s
Jim Furyk	69
Steve Stricker	62
Adam Scott	61
Phil Mickelson	58
Hunter Mahan	57
Matt Kuchar	56

Most rounds at par or better in the Playoffs:

Name	Par-or-Better
Jim Furyk	105
Phil Mickelson	89
Bubba Watson	88
Zach Johnson	84

Rookies in the FedExCup

Nine rookies finished the season ranked within the top 125 in FedExCup points, with four having advanced to this week's BMW Championship:

Player	BMW Finish	FedExCup rank
Daniel Berger	2 nd	9
Justin Thomas	T13	Eliminated from the Playoffs after BMW Championship
Tony Finau	T47	Eliminated from the Playoffs after BMW Championship
Zac Blair	T53	Eliminated from the Playoffs after BMW Championship
Scott Pinckney	DNP	Eliminated from the Playoffs after Deutsche Bank Championship
Carlos Ortiz	DNP	Eliminated from the Playoffs after Deutsche Bank Championship
Adam Hadwin	DNP	Eliminated from the Playoffs after The Barclays
Nick Taylor	DNP	Eliminated from the Playoffs after The Barclays
Jon Curran	DNP	Eliminated from the Playoffs after The Barclays

Bogey-free Rounds

R1: Harris English (65), Kevin Na (65), Patrick Reed (68), Nick Watney (68)

R2: Dustin Johnson (62), Matt Jones (66), Hideki Matsuyama (63), Rory McIlroy (65), George McNeill (65), Scott Piercy (65), Henrik Stenson (63)

R3: Brendan Steele (68)

R4: David Hearn (64), Bill Haas (66), Henrik Stenson (67), Jimmy Walker (68), Zac Blair (69)

Scoring Averages at the par-71 Conway Farms Golf Club:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	35.588	34.588	70.176	--
R2:	33.377	34.552	67.929	68.787
R3:	35.072	35.580	70.652	69.401
R4:	34.391	35.362	69.754	69.496

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