



2015 Northern Trust Open (The 14th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Pacific Palisades, Calif.February 16-22, 2015The Riviera Country ClubPar/Yards: 35-36—71/7,349

Purse: \$5,700,000 (\$1,206,000) 500 FedExCup points to winner

Second-Round Notes - Friday, February 20, 2015

Weather: Mostly cloudy, with temperatures reaching into the lower 60s. Winds WSW 7-12 mph.

Due to darkness, the second round was suspended for the day at 6:05 p.m. Friday, with Alex Prugh remaining on the course. Prugh was back in position at 6:57 a.m. and completed his second round at 6:58 a.m. Prugh needed three putts to complete his round and will begin round three at 1-over 143.

The Northern Trust Open is the sixth event of the season with some type of suspension/delay of play: Shriners Hospitals for Children Open (darkness), CIMB Classic (dangerous weather), Sanderson Farms Championship (darkness), Waste Management Phoenix Open (darkness) and Farmers Insurance Open (fog/darkness).

Second-Round Leaderboard

Position	Name	Score	
1	Retief Goosen	66-70—136 (-6)	
T2	Ryan Moore	69-68—137 (-5)	
T2	Graham Delaet	70-67—137 (-5)	
T2	Justin Thomas	68-69—137 (-5)	

Retief Goosen

In search of his eighth career PGA TOUR win, and first since the 2009 Valspar Championship, Retief Goosen leads the Northern Trust Open through two rounds at 6-under-par 136. This week's start is his 104th since his win in the Tampa Bay area.

Retief Goosen has made seven putts from over 10 feet (leads field) through 36 holes this week. His career-best in an event is 15 at the 2004 World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship.

Goosen has struggled from tee-to-green in the last two seasons on the PGA TOUR, losing more than a half a stroke per round in each season (2013-14/-.61, 2014-15/-.88). This week, Goosen is outperforming the field by over two strokes per round in strokes gained: tee-to-green (+2.24).

Goosen is making his eighth start in the Northern Trust Open and remains in search of his first top-10 finish in the event. His best is T12 in 2011.

Goosen is also making his eighth start of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season this week, with his lone top-10 finish coming in the form of T3 honors at the season's first event, the Frys.com Open.

This marks the 11th time of Goosen being in the lead/co-lead after 36 holes. He went on to win from that position twice before, at the 2001 U.S. Open and the 2003 Valspar Championship.

Second-Round Lead Notes

Last year, Sang-Moon Bae led after 36 holes with a 9-under 133 total.

The last 36-hole leader to win the Northern Trust Open was Phil Mickelson in 2008.

So far this season, Brandt Snedeker is the only player to convert a 36-hole lead into a win (AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am).

The 6-under 137 lead is the highest to be leading through 36 holes this season. Russell Henley led the McGladrey Classic through 36 holes at 9-under-par for the next-closest.

The 6-under 137, 36-hole lead is the highest through two rounds at the Northern Trust Open since 2012, when Phil Mickelson led with the same score.

Ryan Moore

Already a winner on the PGA TOUR this season at the CIMB Classic in Malaysia, Ryan Moore shot a 3-under 68 and is one back of Goosen's lead at 5-under 137.

Moore is making his ninth start in the Northern Trust Open, with his best finish at T4 in 2011.

Moore has three top-25s in six starts so far this season, including his win at the CIMB Classic.

Graham Delaet

Graham Delaet, who is looking for his first PGA TOUR victory, carded five birdies against one bogey for a 67 (-4). Nine players have made the Northern Trust Open their first PGA TOUR win including Victor Ghezzi (1935), Johnny Bulla (1941), Fred Wampler (1954), Phil Rodgers (1962), TC Chen (1987), Chip Beck (1988), Kirk Triplett (2000), Len Mattiace (2002), John Merrick (2013).

On Tuesday, DeLaet (@GrahamDeLaet) sent the following tweet: "If I were doing a bucket list for someone, my tc non major courses on Tour: Riviera, Colonial, Muirfield Village, Innisbrook, Harbour Town."

Delaet would become the second Canadian to win in the tournament's 89-year history, following Mike Weir (2003-04). He would become the first Canadian to win on the PGA TOUR since Nick Taylor won the 2014 Sanderson Farms Championship.

In his four starts here, this is Delaet's lowest round behind 68s in 2012 and 2013 round 2.

Justin Thomas

PGA TOUR rookie Justin Thomas heads into the weekend T2, one stroke off the lead. Thomas posted three top-10s this season: Sanderson Farms Championship (T4), Sony Open in Hawaii (T6) and Humana Challenge (T7).

This marks Thomas' first start at the Northern Trust Open. The last player to win the Northern Trust Open in his first appearance was Adam Scott in 2005.

Thomas will be 21 years, 9 months, 24 days on Sunday. The youngest winner in Northern Trust Open history is Pat Fitzsimmons in 1975, at 24 years, 2 months, 8 days.

Miscellaneous notes

During Friday's second round of the Northern Trust Open, Lucas Glover aced the 6th hole with an 8-iron from 152 yards. It was the first hole-in-one at the Northern Trust Open since Joe Ogilvie made one at the 16th in 2012. As the Official Mortgage Sponsor of the PGA TOUR, Quicken Loans will award one year's worth of mortgage payments to Kevin N. of Las Cruces, NM to commemorate the ace. The Quicken Loans' Hole-In-One Sweepstakes awards one year's worth of mortgage payments to a randomly selected entrant for every ace during official PGA TOUR events from the Waste Management Phoenix Open through the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola. Fans can enter the sweepstakes by visiting www.pgatour.com/quickenloans. Participants in the 2014 Sweepstakes must re-register to be eligible in 2015.

Nick Watney, runner-up at last week's AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, held a two-shot lead at times during the second round Friday, but made four bogeys in a row during and is four shots back heading into the weekend. Watney is in search of his first TOUR win since the 2012 Barclays.

Defending champion Bubba Watson shot 3-under 68 and is at 2-under 140 through 36 holes. A win Sunday would be his second of the season (World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions).

Last week's AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am winner Brandt Snedeker made the 3-over 145 cut on the number.

Vijay Singh, a member of the World Golf Hall of Fame (2006), has claimed 34 career PGA TOUR wins. His most recent win on TOUR came at the 2008 Deutsche Bank Championship, 149 starts ago. He followed up his 5under-par 66 with a 2-over 73 and is T11 going into the third round. In the 25th anniversary of his 1991 victory at the Northern Trust Open, Fred Couples missed the cut by a single stroke. Couples was making his 33rd start in the event, where he has amassed 14 top-10 finishes. Most recently, he finished T7 in 2011. Following a pair of 1-over 72s, Couples missed last year's cut as well.

Will Zalatoris, the Wake Forest freshman who earned a spot into this week's field by virtue of winning Monday's Northern Trust Open Collegiate Challenge, shot rounds of 76-71 and will miss the cut.

Mike Weir withdrew during the second round with a right elbow injury. It is the ninth WD of his career.

Bogey-free rounds: R1: Brendon Todd (69). R2: None

Scoring averages at the par-71 Riviera Country Club					
	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative	
R1	35.479	37.486	72.965		
R2	36.042	36.634	72.676	72.822	