



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

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

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

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, February 21, 2015

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

Third-Round Leaderboard

Position	Name	Score
1	Retief Goosen	66-70-69—205 (-8)
2	Graham DeLaet	69-68-70—207 (-6)
T3	Sang-Moon Bae	71-71-66—208 (-5)
T3	Carlos Ortiz	67-73-68—208 (-5)
T3	Sergio Garcia	71-69-68—208 (-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 three rounds at 8-under 205. This week's start is his 104th since his win in the Tampa Bay area.

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 10th time of Goosen being in the lead/co-lead after 54 holes. He went on to win from that position four times before, most recently at the 2004 U.S. Open.

Third-Round Lead Notes

Last year, William McGirt led after 54 holes at a 12-under 130.

The last 54-hole leader to win the Northern Trust Open was Aaron Baddeley in 2011.

Through 13 events this season, five players have converted a 54-hole lead into victory. Bill Haas most recently achieved the feat at the Humana Challenge.

Graham DeLaet

Graham DeLaet, who is looking for his first PGA TOUR victory, posted a 1-under and will begin the final round two back. 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).

With a win, 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.

DeLaet is making his fourth start in the Northern Trust Open this week, with a T21 in 2013 as his best showing.

Sang-Moon Bae

In search of his second PGA TOUR win of the season (Frys.com Open), Sang-Moon Bae's 5-under 66 in round three ties the day's low round with Morgan Hoffmann.

In each of the previous two years at the Northern Trust Open, Bae had at least a share of a 36-hole lead. He finished T12 in 2014 and T8 in 2013.

J.B. Holmes

Making his ninth start at the Northern Trust Open, J.B. Holmes is getting closer to locking in his fifth top-10 finish in the event. His best finish at Riviera is T3 in 2010.

Making his eighth start of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR season, Holmes' lone top-10 finish came at last week's AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am (T10).

Holmes' third and most recent win was at the 2014 Wells Fargo Championship.

Carlos Ortiz

PGA TOUR rookie Carlos Ortiz made his way onto the PGA TOUR this season thanks to three wins on the Web.com Tour last year: Panama Claro Championship, El Bosque Mexico Championship, WinCo Foods Portland Open.

Ortiz is making his ninth start on the PGA TOUR this season and has claimed one top-10 finish at OHL Classic at Mayakoba (T9).

This marks Ortiz' 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.

Sergio Garcia

This marks Garcia's ninth start at the Northern Trust Open where he's claimed two top-10 finishes (T4/2012, 6th/2007).

In two previous starts this season, Garcia finished T2 at the CIMB Classic, three strokes behind champion Ryan Moore and T28 a week later at the WGC-HSBC Champions.

Garcia is looking for his ninth PGA TOUR win and first since the 2012 Wyndham Championship.

Miscellaneous notes

Defending champion Bubba Watson is at T7 (4-under 209). A win this week would be his second of the season (World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions).

After making the cut on the number at 3-over 145, last week's AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am winner Brandt Snedeker got off to a rugged start, taking triple-bogey seven at his first hole of the day (No. 10). Snedeker would finish the day with an 8-over 79, his highest score on the PGA TOUR since shooting 80 in round three of the 2014 Masters.

Justin Thomas struggled in round three, posting a 4-over 75 for the day (T19).

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Brendon Todd (69)

R2: None

R3: Sang-Moon Bae (66)

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
R3:	35.280	36.480	71.760	72.601