



## 2015 RBC Canadian Open

(The 38<sup>th</sup> of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Oakville, Ontario July 20 – 26, 2015 FedExCup Points: 500 to the winner Glen Abbey Golf Club Par/Yardage: 35-37—72/7,253 Purse: \$5,800,000 (\$1,044,000)

Final Notes - Sunday, July 26, 2015

Weather: Partly cloudy, with a high of 86 degrees. Winds SSW 5-10 mph.

#### Final Leaderboard

 Jason Day
 68-66-69-68—271 (-17)

 Bubba Watson
 68-67-68-69—270 (-16)

 David Hearn
 69-64-68-72—273 (-15)

 Jim Furyk
 68-69-68-69—274 (-14)

### Jason Day

Playing in the second to the last group, Jason Day drained a putt from 21 feet 10 inches on No. 18 to come from two shots behind third-round leader David Hearn and win the RBC Canadian Open in his third start. Bubba Watson and Canadian David Hearn each had a chance at eagle on the par-5 18<sup>th</sup> hole to pull even with Day. Watson's chip shot from 22 feet on the back of the green came up a foot short and he settled for birdie-4. Hearn's second shot found a green-side bunker and he had to settle for par-5.

With his victory, Jason Day wins his fourth career PGA TOUR event at the age of 27 years, 8 months and 14 days in his 165<sup>th</sup> TOUR start.

With the win, Day earns 500 FedExCup points and moves from No. 16 in the FedExCup standings to No. 4 with only five events before the Playoffs.

Day at the RBC Canadian Open: 2008/T48, 2009/52<sup>nd</sup> and 2015/Won

Jason Day's PGA TOUR victories: 2010 AT&T Byron Nelson Championship 2014 World Golf Championships-Cadillac Match Play Championship 2015 Farmers Insurance Open, RBC Canadian Open

Day records a multiple win season (Farmers Insurance Open and RBC Canadian Open) for the first time in his career on TOUR.

Day is the sixth different Australian to win the RBC Canadian Open: Joe Kirkwood (1933), Jim Ferrier (1950 and 1951), Kel Nagel (1964), Greg Norman (1984 and 1992), Nathan Green (2009) and Jason Day (2015).

In February, Day came from behind to win the Farmers Insurance Open for his third victory on TOUR. Day started the final round two shots back of 54-hole leaders J.B. Holes and Harris English and carded a final-round 70 to get into a four-man playoff. Day defeated Holmes on the second extra hole with a par.

An RBC Golf Ambassador has won five of the last six RBC-sponsored events on TOUR:

2013 RBC Heritage Graeme McDowell
2013 RBC Canadian Open Brandt Snedeker
2014 RBC Heritage Matt Kuchar
2014 RBC Canadian Open ----

2015 RBC Heritage Jim Furyk 2015 RBC Canadian Open Jason Day

Day (2 wins) and Steven Bowditch (AT&T Byron Nelson) are the only two Australian's to win on TOUR this season.

#### Jason Day's Statistics:

 Fairways Hit:
 21/56
 T73

 Driving Distance:
 330.6
 2<sup>nd</sup>

 Greens in Regulation:
 47/72
 T36

 Total Putts:
 103
 T2

 Strokes Gained – Putting:
 7.053
 4<sup>th</sup>

#### **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: 14-12-7-2

Career PGA TOUR starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 165-128-43-4

Day's last three start on TOUR:
U.S. Open T9
Open Championship T4
RBC Canadian Open Won

#### David Hearn

Canadian David Hearn, who held a two shot lead entering the final round, closed with a 72 to finish third. He was looking for his first win on TOUR in 167 starts at the age of 36 years, 1 month and 9 days.

Hearn made his fourth start in the RBC Canadian Open when hosted at Glen Abbey Golf Club. His final-round scoring average in his three previous starts at Glen Abbey was 73.50. Entering this week, Hearn's final-round scoring average this year on TOUR is 69.53.

Hearn records his best finish in his 13<sup>th</sup> start in the RBC Canadian Open: 2002/MC, 2003/MC, 2004/MC, 2005/MC, 2006/T20, 2007/T58, 2008/T58, 2010/MC, 2011/T34, 2012/T71, 2013/T44, 2014/T53, 2015/3<sup>rd</sup>.

At The Greenbrier Classic earlier this month, Hearn played himself into a sudden-death playoff with Kevin Kisner, Robert Streb and eventual winner, Danny Lee. Hearn's other runner-up finish, also a P2 via sudden death, came at the 2013 John Deere Classic where Jordan Spieth won.

In addition to his playoff loss, Hearn's other top-10 finishes this year came at the Shriners Hospital for Children Open (T7) and Zurich Classic of New Orleans (T6).

Hearn's lone victory on the Web.com Tour came at the 2004 Alberta Classic held at Redwood Meadows Golf and Country Club in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. That victory came the same year that he won the Times Colonist Open on the MacKenzie Tour - PGA TOUR Canada.

Since 2000, just three of the 15 different winners of the RBC Canadian Open have made the title their first on the PGA TOUR – Nathan Green (2009), Chez Reavie (2008) and John Rollins (2002).

The last Canadian to win the RBC Canadian Open is Pat Fletcher in 1954 at Point Gray Golf and Country Club. In 2004, Mike Weir lost in a playoff to Vijay Singh in the 50-year anniversary of Fletcher's win. After his playing days, Fletcher was the Head Professional at Royal Montreal Golf Club.

Pat Fletcher (June 18, 1916) and David Hearn (June 17, 1979) were born 63 years apart almost to the day. Hearn was looking to become the first Canadian winner of the RBC Canadian Open since Fletcher 61 years ago (1954). Fletcher passed away 30 years ago this week (July 21, 1985).

Hearn held the first 54-hole lead of his PGA TOUR career this week at the RBC Canadian Open.

Prior to Hearn this week, the last Canadian to take a 54-hole lead into Sunday at the RBC Canadian Open was Mike Weir in 2004.

Below are Canadian players to hold the 54-hole lead at the RBC Canadian Open since 1954:

Year	Player	54-hole lead	R4 score	Result
2015	David Hearn	2 shot lead	72	3 <sup>rd</sup>
2004	Mike Weir	3 shot lead	72	P2/lost to Vijay Singh in playoff
1987	Richard Zokol	Tied for lead	75	T7
1968	George Knudson	Tied for lead	73	T10
1954	Gordon Brydson	2 shots lead	77	T2 (won by Canadian Pat Fletcher)

Since 1954, the final round scoring average for a Canadian golfer that held the 54-hole lead at the RBC Canadian Open is 73.8 (5 times).

Canadian winners of the RBC Canadian Open:

(Note: Wins from 1904-1914 are not considered official PGA TOUR wins)					

Canadian players to win on TOUR include: Ken Black (1 win as amateur and first Canadian to win on the PGA TOUR), Jules Huot (1 win), Al Balding (4), Stan Leonard (3), George Knudson (8), Wilf Homenuik (1), Dan Halldorson (2), Dave Barr (1), Richard Zokol (2), Mike Weir (8), Ian Leggatt (1), Stephen Ames (4, Trinidad-born), Nick Taylor (1). Note: Pat Fletcher's 1954 Canadian Open win is not considered an official PGA TOUR victory.

Hearn was looking to become the second Canadian to win on TOUR this season (Nick Taylor/Sanderson Farms Championship). The last time two Canadians won in the same season was in 2007 (Mike Weir/Frys.com Open and Stephen Ames/Children's Miracle Network Classic).

Prior to Taylor's win the last Canadian-born player to win on TOUR was Mike Weir at the 2007 Frys.com Open. Stephen Ames (2009 Children's Miracle Network Classic) was the last Canadian resident to win on TOUR.

2014-15 PGA TOUR Season starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 26-16-4-0

Career PGA TOUR starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 167-105-14-0

# **Leader Stats**

Last year, Jim Furyk held a three-stroke advantage over Tim Clark heading into the final round. Clark fired a 65 on Sunday to edge out Furyk (69) by a single shot to take the trophy.

A total of 49 leaders/co-leaders after 54 holes have gone on to win in 106 playing's of the RBC Canadian Open.

The third-round leader/co-leader has gone on to win 14 of 37 stroke-play events on TOUR this year, most recently Scott Piercy at the Barbasol Championship.

Since 2008, Brandt Snedeker (2013) and Chez Reavie (2008) are the only two 54-hole leaders to win the RBC Canadian Open.

#### **Bubba Watson**

Watson led the field in Strokes Gained Tee to Green (11.410) and in Driving Distance (339.5).

Watson made his sixth start in the RBC Canadian Open this week. His previous-best finish was a T14 at Hamilton Golf and Country Club in 2006 (65-71-68-69—273/-7).

With the runner-up finish, Watson moves from No. 3 to No. 2 in the FedExCup standings.

Watson was paired with Canadian Graham DeLaet on his way to winning the Travelers Championship earlier this year. Today he finished second at the RBC Canadian Open after being paired with Canadian David Hearn.

Watson played the final three holes in 11-under-par this week. Here's a breakdown of the final three holes.

Rd	No. 16	No.17	No. 18
R1	birdie	par	birdie
R2	eagle	par	eagle
R3	birdie	par	birdie
R4	birdie	birdie	birdie

Watson's win at the Travelers Championship came a week after a missed cut at the U.S. Open. His near win this week at the RBC Canadian Open comes a week after a missed cut at The Open Championship.

2014-15 PGA TOUR Season starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 13-11-6-2

Career PGA TOUR starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 226-159-44-8

# Jim Furyk

Furyk was four shots behind the leader entering the final round and closed with a 3-under 69 to finish fourth.

Earlier this year, Furyk came from four shots behind third-round leader Troy Merritt at the RBC Heritage to win his 17th PGA TOUR event and first since the 2010 TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola.

Four of Furyk's last six wins on TOUR have been at a RBC sponsored event, the last came earlier this season at the RBC Heritage.

Furyk's 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 14-12-5-1

Furyk's career PGA TOUR (amateur and pro) starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 539-448-177-17

### Miscellaneous

Rookie Tom Hoge (T5) earns his first top-10 finish on TOUR in his 24<sup>th</sup> career start. He was making his first career start in the RBC Canadian Open. His previous best finish on TOUR was T12 at the FedEx St. Jude Classic earlier this season. Hoge moves from No. 164 in the FedExCup standings to No. 141. Seventeen players have won the RBC Canadian Open in their debut. The last player to accomplish the feat was Chez Reavie in 2008.

Stewart Cink (T5) entered the week at No. 125 in the FedExCup standings and registered his first top-10 finish since the 2013 Quicken Loans National (5<sup>th</sup>), a span of 51 starts.

Rookie Canadian Adam Hadwin (T7) notched his third top-10 of the season on TOUR. It is his second top 10 in six starts at the RBC Canadian Open. His best finish on TOUR is T4 at the 2011 RBC Canadian Open.

Austin Cook finished T7 in his sixth career start on TOUR to earn a spot in the Barracuda Championship in Reno, Nevada in two weeks. Cook, who is not a member of the TOUR, finished T6 last week at the Barbasol Championship to earn a spot in the field this week. He Monday qualified into four (2014 FedEx St. Jude Classic/T13, 2015 Shell Houston Open/T11, 2015 AT&T Byron Nelson/MC and 2015 Barbasol Championship/T6). He was given a sponsor invitation into the 2015 FedEx St. Jude Classic, where he finished T22. Cook has conditional status on the Web.com Tour.

First-round leader Emiliano Grillo, who hails from Argentina, finished T22. Grillo is a member of PGA TOUR Latinoamerica and the European Tour. Grillo made his sixth start on the PGA TOUR this week, and fourth of the season. He earned a spot in the field this week via a T10 finish last week at the Barbasol Championship. Earlier this season, he lost on the first hole of sudden death to Alex Cejka at the Puerto Rico Open in March. As a result of the top-10 finish, he earned a spot into the following week's field at the Valspar Championship (MC). In his only other starts, he finished T42 and T29 at the 2012 and 2014 Puerto Rico Open, respectively.

There were 15 Canadians in this week's field: David Hearn (3<sup>rd</sup>), Adam Hadwin (T7), Adam Svensson (T34), Nick Taylor (T56), Austin Connelly (MDF), Corey Conners (MC), Graham DeLaet (WD), Brad Fritsch (MC), Blair Hamilton (MDF), Richard Jung (MC), Taylor Pendrith (MC), Garrett Rank (MC), Justin Shin (MC), Roger Sloan (MC), and Billy Walsh (MC).

J.J Spaun(T41) is the lone MacKenzie Tour - PGA TOUR Canada member to make the cut in this week's RBC Canadian Open. Spaun posted five straight top-10 finishes on the MacKenzie Tour, including three consecutive performances in the top three and a win at the Staal Foundation Open presented by Tbaytel.

There are seven past RBC Canadian Open champions in the field: Tim Clark/2014 (T63), Scott Piercy/2012 (MDF), Sean O'Hair/2011 (MC), Chez Reavie/2008 (T41), Jim Furyk/2006, 2007 (4<sup>th</sup>), Vijay Singh/2004 (MC) and Scott Verplank/2001 (T48).

The par-5 16<sup>th</sup> ranked as the easiest hole this week with an average of 4.457, while the par-4 14<sup>th</sup> played the toughest with a 4.282 scoring average.

# Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Ricky Barnes (68), Martin Flores (68) and Chad Collins (70).

R2: Chad Campbell (63), David Hearn (64), Michael Putnam (65), Austin Connelly (65), Johnson Wagner (66), J.J. Henry (67), Eric Axley (68), Alex Cejka (70).

R3: Roberto Castro (67), Michael Putnam (68), Jim Furyk (68), Jonas Blixt (69), James Hahn (69).

R4: Stewart Cink (66), Daniel Summerhays (67)

# Scoring Averages at the par-72 Glen Abbey GC:

Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
35.006	36.123	71.129	
34.779	36.452	71.231	
35.033	36.265	71.287	
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