



2015 RBC Heritage (The 23^{rd} of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Hilton Head Island, SC April 13-19, 2015 Purse: \$5,900,000 (\$1,062,000 to the winner)

Harbour Town Golf Links Par/Yards: 36-35—71/7,101

Final Notes - Sunday, April 19, 2015

Weather

Cloudy with rain showers in the morning. High of 78. Winds SSE 7-12 mph.

Preferred lies were utilized for the final round. Due to the threat of bad weather, the final round featured threesomes off of splits tees from 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Television airtimes remained the same.

Final Leaderboard

Jim Furyk 71-64-68-63—266 (-18) (won playoff)

Kevin Kisner 68-67-64—266 (-18) Troy Merritt 69-61-69-69—268 (-16) Brendon Todd 73-66-63-67—269 (-15)

Playoff Recap

Jim Furyk defeated Kevin Kisner with a birdie-2 on the second extra hole (No. 17).

Kisner drops his first playoff on TOUR.

Furyk improves to 4-8 in playoffs on TOUR. He lost his previous playoff to Luke Donald at the 2012 Valspar Championship.

This is the 12th playoff in tournament history and first since 2013.

This is the 10th playoff on the PGA TOUR this season and the sixth in the last 10 events.

On the first playoff hole (No. 18), Kisner made a birdie-3 from 16 feet, 11 inches on the first playoff hole (No. 18) to force Furyk to make his birdie putt. Furyk followed Kisner's putt with his own birdie on No. 18 from 7 feet, 9 inches to force a second extra hole.

On the second playoff hole (No. 17), Kisner missed a birdie putt from 22 feet, 8 inches. Furyk followed by draining his putt from 12 feet, 2 inches for birdie-2 to claim the victory.

Jim Furyk

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.

Furyk earns his 17th career PGA TOUR victory in his 532nd start at the age of 44 years, 11 months and 7 days.

Furyk's last win came at the 2010 TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola in his 432nd career start on TOUR. He made his 532nd career start this week at the RBC Heritage.

Furyk moves to No. 48 on the TOUR's all-time victory list with 17, joining Bobby Cruickshank, Harold McSpaden and Curtis Strange.

Furyk earns 500 FedExCup points to move up from No. 112 to No. 19 in the FedExCup standings.

Furyk sets the tournament record for the low finish by a winner at the RBC Heritage with a 63. The previous was a 64 by Brandt Snedeker (2011), Brian Gay (2009) and Stewart Cink (2004).

Furyk's largest come-from-behind victory is five shots at the 2002 Memorial Tournament. He also came from four shots back to win the 2001 Hyundai Tournament of Champions.

Furyk is the third consecutive RBC Golf Ambassador to win the RBC Heritage (2013/Graeme McDowell and 2014/Matt Kuchar). RBC began sponsoring this event in 2012. In the two years preceding their sponsorship, current RBC Golf Ambassadors Jim Furyk (2010) and Brandt Snedeker (2011) won in Hilton Head. To further enhance the connection, Carl Pettersson who won the RBC Heritage in 2012 also won the RBC Canadian Open in 2010.

PGA TOUR Victories (17)

1995	Las Vegas Invitational	2003 U.S. Open, Buick Open
1996	United Airlines Hawaiian Open	2005 Cialis Western Open
1998	Las Vegas Invitational	2006 Wells Fargo Championship, RBC Canadian Open
1999	Las Vegas Invitational	2007 RBC Canadian Open
2000	Doral-Ryder Open	2010 Valspar Championship, RBC Heritage, TOUR Championship
2001	Mercedes Championship	2015 RBC Heritage
2002	the Memorial Tournament	

Furyk eclipses Alex Cejka (Puerto Rico Open) as the oldest winner on TOUR this season. Furyk is the oldest winner since Woody Austin (49 years, 5 months, 25 days) won the 2013 Sanderson Farms Championship.

Furyk is now the second oldest winner of the RBC Heritage behind Hale Irwin. The RBC Heritage has now been won by a player aged 40 and above six times, including Arnold Palmer (40 years, 2 months, 20 days) at the inaugural 1969 tournament, Bob Goalby (1970; 41 years, 8 months, 15 days), Hale Irwin (1994; 48 years, 10 months, 14 days), Loren Roberts (1996; 40 years, 9 months, 27 days) and Nick Price (1997; 40 years, 20 months, 22 days).

Furyk did not hold a lead after any round this week. His struggles with the 54-hole lead have been well documented the last five years. Over his career Furyk is nine of 23 when holding the lead/co-lead going into a final round. He has not been able to convert his last nine 54-hole leads on TOUR. The last event in which he closed the deal was the 2010 TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola.

Furyk and his wife Tabitha, through the Jim and Tabitha Furyk Foundation, are hosting the fifth annual Furyk and Friends Concert and Celebrity Golf Classic today and tomorrow (April 19-20) in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida.

About Jim Furyk

Birthdate: May 12, 1970 Birthplace: West Chester, Pa.

Resides: Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida

Family: Wife, Tabitha; Children: Caleigh Lynn; Tanner James

Height/Weight: 6-2/185 College: University of Arizona

Turned Pro: 1992

Joined PGA TOUR: 1993

Furyk's 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 7-6-2-1

Furyk's career PGA TOUR (amateur and pro) starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 532-442-174-17

Furyk becomes the 10th player to win the RBC Heritage more than once. Multiple winners include Davis Love III (5), Hale Irwin (3), Johnny Miller (2), Hubert Green (2), Tom Watson (2), Fuzzy Zoeller (2), Payne Stewart (2), Stewart Cink (2) and Boo Weekley (2).

Furyk owns the most recent of six 59s on the PGA TOUR:

Event/Rd.	Par
1977 FedEx St. Jude Classic/R2	72
1991 Shriners Hospital for Children Open/R3	72
1999 Humana Challenge/R4	72
2010 John Deere Classic/R1	71
2010 Greenbrier Classic/R4	70
2013 BMW Championship/R2	71
	1977 FedEx St. Jude Classic/R2 1991 Shriners Hospital for Children Open/R3 1999 Humana Challenge/R4 2010 John Deere Classic/R1 2010 Greenbrier Classic/R4

Furyk's first RBC Heritage win in 2010 came in his 12th start at the event and his second win comes in his 17th start in Hilton Head. He has made 14 cuts and has eight top-10 finishes. His two runner-up finishes came in 2005 (T2) and 2006.

Furyk defeated Brian Davis in a playoff to win the 2010 RBC Heritage.

Furyk now has victories in 13 of 22 seasons on TOUR.

Tournament Statistics

Seven of 23 third-round leader/co-leaders have gone on to win this season, most recently Jordan Spieth at the Masters Tournament.

The third-round lead/co-leader has won 31 of 47 times at the RBC Heritage, most recently Carl Pettersson in 2012.

The largest final-round comeback at the RBC Heritage is nine strokes (Stewart Cink, 2004).

The lowest 72-hole score at the RBC Heritage is 264 by Brian Gay in 2009.

A player has posted four rounds in the 60s 32 times (six in 2015) throughout the history of the RBC Heritage. Nick Price holds the event record with nine straight sub-70 rounds.

Furyk was the 11th (2010) and last champion to shoot four rounds in the 60s at the RBC Heritage.

Kevin Kisner

Kevin Kisner came from three shots behind third-round leader Troy Merritt at the RBC Heritage to force and lose a playoff to Jim Furyk. The playoff loss is Kisner's best career finish on TOUR.

Kisner was looking for his first PGA TOUR victory in his 90th start at the age of 31 years, 2 months and 4 days.

Kisner was looking to become the first South Carolinian to win in the 47-year history of the RBC Heritage.

Kisner made his third start at the RBC Heritage, missing the cut in 2011 and finishing T38 in 2014.

All three of Kisner's best finishes in 89 previous PGA TOUR starts have come in the southeast, including a career-best T4 at the 2014 McGladrey Classic, T6 at the 2014 Wells Fargo Championship and T8 at the 2014 Wyndham Championship.

Kisner was looking to become the 11th former Georgia Bulldog to win on the PGA TOUR. No former Georgia Bulldog has won the RBC Heritage.

Troy Merritt

Merritt, who held a four shot lead after round two and a three shot lead after round three, closed with a 69 to finish third at the RBC Heritage.

Merritt made his third start at the RBC Heritage, missing the cut in 2010 and finishing T52 in 2011.

Merritt's only other leads on TOUR were a share of the opening-round lead at the 2010 Sony Open in Hawaii (finished T20) and the second-round lead and third-round lead this week.

Merritt's week included a back-nine 7-under 28 Friday, topping the previous record on that nine by one stroke (Jeff Maggert/2006, Steve Flesch/2001, Chris Perry/2000, Brad Faxon/1997). The only other 28 at the RBC Heritage occurred on the front nine (Craig Barlow in 2003).

Merritt's only win on the Web.com Tour came at the 2009 Mexico Championship -- which is being held this week at the El Bosque CC in Leon (about 240 miles NW of Mexico City). He began that tournament with four bogeys on his first four holes. He posted scores of 69-68-67-69--273 (-15) and eventually defeated Adam Bland with a birdie-4 on the first playoff hole.

Matt Kuchar

In his bid to join Payne Stewart (1989-90), Davis Love III (1991-92) and Boo Weekley (2007-08) as back-to-back winners at the RBC Heritage, Matt Kuchar finished fifth at 14-under.

No one has been more consistent than Kuchar on the PGA TOUR since the start of the 2010 season, having racked up a TOUR-leading 51 top-10 finishes during that time frame.

Kuchar kept a 22-year streak intact this week as no defending champion has missed the cut at the RBC Heritage since Davis Love III in 1993.

Miscellaneous Notes

This is the final week for players to move into the top 64 in the Official World Golf Ranking to qualify for the World Golf Championships-Cadillac Match Play.

Brendon Todd finished fourth in his third start at the RBC Heritage, missing the cut in 2012 and finishing T38 in 2014.

South African Branden Grace (T7) earns his first top 10 on TOUR in his 35th start. Grace is not a member of the PGA TOUR. He was already in the Zurich Classic of New Orleans field next week via a sponsor exemption. A player from South Africa won the last RBC sponsored event (Tim Clark/2014 RBC Canadian Open).

Jordan Spieth finished T11, but maintains his leads in the FedExCup standings and on the PGA TOUR Money List. Spieth also continues to lead the TOUR with seven top-10 finishes in 2014-15.

Sean O'Hair (6th) earns his second top-10 finish at the RBC Heritage (7th/2007) in his seventh start on Hilton Head Island. It is O'Hair's second top 10 this season, marking his first multiple top-10 season since 2012.

Bo Van Pelt (T9) records his first top 10 of the season at the RBC Heritage. After recording 10 top 10s in 2012, Van Pelt has only had one each of the last three seasons on TOUR. It is Van Pelt's third top 10 in 10 starts on Hilton Head Island.

Louis Oosthuizen (T7) records a top 10 in his first start at the RBC Heritage with four rounds in the 60s (69-67-69-67).

Tom Watson, a winner here in 1979 and 1982, finished T72. He owns 20 made cuts in 25 starts at the RBC Heritage and has seven top-10 finishes. Watson made the cut Friday at the age of 65 years, 7 months and 13 days. By comparison, the oldest player to make the cut on the PGA TOUR is Sam Snead, doing so at the 1979 Manufacturers Hanover Westchester Classic at the age of 67 years, 2 months and 21 days.

The lone amateur to make the cut was 2014 Players Amateur Champion Scott Vincent (T64).

Bogey-free rounds:

R1 – Jim Furyk (71)

R2 – Troy Merritt (61), Jordan Spieth (62), Russell Knox (64), Bryce Molder (64), Brandt Snedeker (64), Chris Stroud (67), Daniel Berger (68), Freddie Jacobson (68).

R3 – Brendon Todd (63), Brice Garnett (65), Jason Kokrak (65), Anirban Lahiri (66), Branden Grace (66), Luke Donald (66), Kevin Kisner (67), Bo Van Pelt (67), Jim Furyk (68), Justin Thomas (68).

R4 – Kevin Kisner (64), Bryce Molder (67), Lucas Glover (69), Bo Van Pelt (69), Robert Streb (70)

Friday's stroke-average of 69.641, Saturday's average of 69.763 and Sunday's average of 69.959 represent the second, third and fourth lowest single round stroke averages in RBC Heritage history. The only other sub-70 single-round stroke average occurred during the third round in 2000 (69.162).

Scoring Averages:	Front (36)	Back (35)	Total (71)	Cumulative
First round	35.794	36.275	72.069	
Second round	34.824	34.817	69.641	70.855
Third round	35.105	34.658	69.763	70.609
Final round	34.644	35.315	69.959	70.505