



2015 Hyundai Tournament of Champions
(8th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Kapalua, Maui, HI **January 9-12, 2015**
The Plantation Course, Kapalua Resort

Purse: \$5,700,000 (\$1,140,000)
Par/Yards: 36-37—73/7,452

First-Round Notes – Friday, January 9, 2015

Weather

Partly cloudy and warm with temperatures in the high 70s. East-Southeast winds shifting west into the day at 10-12 mph.

First-Round Leaderboard

Russell Henley	65 (-8)
Sang-Moon Bae	66 (-7)
Scott Stallings	67 (-6)
Robert Streb	67 (-6)
Ben Martin	67 (-6)
Patrick Reed	67 (-6)
Jimmy Walker	67 (-6)

Russell Henley

First-round leader Russell Henley, in the field thanks to his playoff victory over Rory McIlroy, Ryan Palmer and Russell Knox at the 2014 Honda Classic, shot a bogey-free opening-round 8-under-par 65 and holds a one-shot lead over South Korea's Sang-Moon Bae.

This is the first time that Henley has led or shared a first-round lead in his PGA TOUR career. Henley's 65 is the best opening-round score at the Hyundai Tournament of Champions since Ernie Els and Jim Furyk shot 64 to start the 2003 event.

The 8-under-par matches Henley's best start to a tournament in relation to par with his 8-under start to the Humana Challenge in 2013.

In his first appearance at the Hyundai Tournament of Champions in 2014, Henley did not break 70 shooting scores of 72-72-70-75 and finishing 27th.

Henley has victories in each of the last two seasons with victories at the 2014 Honda Classic and the 2013 Sony Open in Hawaii.

Henley, who won the 2013 Sony Open in Hawaii with a tournament-record total score of 256 (24-under) besting the previous record by four strokes. Henley is trying join last year's Hyundai Tournament of Champions winner Zach Johnson and become the 10th player to win both the Hawaii events.

Last year, Johnson (2009 Sony Open in Hawaii, 2014 Hyundai Tournament of Champions) became the ninth player to win each of the PGA TOUR's Hawaii events at least once: Jim Furyk (1996 Sony Open, 2001 Tournament of Champions), Jack Nicklaus (1974 Sony Open, 1963-64, 1971, 1973, 1977 Tournament of Champions); Lee Trevino (1968 Sony Open, 1981 Tournament of Champions); Lanny Wadkins (1988, 1991 Sony Open, 1982-83 Tournament of Champions); Paul Azinger (1991 Sony Open, 1990 Tournament of Champions); Mark O'Meara (1985 Sony Open, 1996 Tournament of Champions); Ernie Els (2003-04 Sony Open, 2003 Tournament of Champions); Vijay Singh (2005 Sony Open, 2007 Tournament of Champions).

Sang-Moon Bae

South Korea's Sang-Moon Bae shot an opening-round 7-under 66. Bae won the first event of the 2014-2015 season at the Frys.Com Open and ranks No. 2 early in the FedExCup standings. Bae's round started with birdies on six of the first eight holes for a front-nine 30.

Bae is making his second consecutive appearance at the Hyundai Tournament of Champions after finishing T21 in 2014.

Bae finished the 2013-2014 season ranked No. 122 in the FedExCup standings without recording a single top-10 finish in 24 starts. He has two top-10 finishes in just three events (1st - Frys.com Open, T5 – CIMB Classic) so far in the 2014-2015 season.

Scott Stallings

2014 Farmers Insurance Open champion Scott Stallings finished two strokes off the lead at 6-under-par and is in a five-way tie for third following the opening round. Stallings birdied three of his final four holes for his lowest score (67) in his eighth career round at the Plantation Course at Kapalua.

This is Stallings' third time playing the Hyundai Tournament of Champions with a T13 in 2013 as his best finish.

This is Stallings' fourth event of the 2014-2015 season with a T19 at the CIMB Classic as his best finish so far.

Robert Streb

In his third consecutive season on the PGA TOUR, Robert Streb recorded his first career PGA TOUR victory to start the 2013-2014 season with a playoff win at the McGladrey Classic.

Streb leads the early FedExCup standings thanks to three top-10 finishes and has made the cut in all five starts so far this season.

Streb's three top-10 finishes in five events (T10 – Shriners Hospitals Open, 1st The McGladrey, 8th Sanderson Farms Championship) to start the 2014-2015 season are more than Streb has recorded in his previous 46 events combined.

Streb is coming off a 71st place finish in the 2013-14 FedExCup standings. He was two FedExCup points shy of qualifying for the third Playoffs event at the BMW Championship. Streb had 966 points, while Jerry Kelly claimed the 70th and final spot with 968 points.

Streb grew up playing hockey with St. Louis Rams quarterback Sam Bradford.

Miscellaneous Notes

Last year's Hyundai Tournament of Champion winner Zach Johnson posted a 5-under 68 in round one.

First-time participants at the Hyundai Tournament of Champions: Steven Bowditch (69-T12), Matt Every (73-T31), Chesson Hadley (70-T18), Brian Harman (70-T18), Matt Jones (69-T12), Ben Martin (67-T3), Hideki Matsuyama (70-T18), Seung-Yul Noh (71-T25), Kevin Stadler (74-T33), Robert Streb (67-T3), Nick Taylor (69-T12) and Brendon Todd.(69-T12).

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Russell Henley, Robert Streb, Patrick Reed, Jimmy Walker, Matt Kuchar, Kevin Streelman, Brian Harman

Scoring Averages at the par-73 Plantation Course:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total Cumulative
R1:	34.353	35.118	69.471