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2015 the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide

(The 30th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Dublin, Ohio June 1-7, 2015

Muirfield Village Golf Club Par/Yardage: 36-36—72/7,392 Purse: \$6,200,000 (\$1,116,000)

Second-Round Notes - Friday, June 5, 2015

Weather: Mostly sunny with a high of 82 degrees. Winds NW 5-10 mph.

36-hole cut: 71 players at 1-under 143 from a field of 120 professionals

Second-Round Leaderboard

David Lingmerth 67-65—132 (-12) Jason Dufner 66-67—133 (-11) Ryan Moore 67-67—134 (-10) Andy Sullivan 70-64—134 (-10)

David Lingmerth

Following a 5-under 67 Thursday, Sweden's David Lingmerth made seven birdies and no bogeys en route to a second-round, 7-under 65. Lingmerth ended his round with a birdie at his last, No. 18, which was round one's most difficult.

This marks only the second time Lingmerth has held a lead/co-lead after any round on the PGA TOUR. After 54 holes of the 2013 PLAYERS Championship, he was tied for the lead, before finishing T2.

In round two, Lingmerth found 12 of 14 fairways in regulation and hit 14 of 18 greens. He took 25 strokes with his putter.

Having missed the cut in four of his last five starts, Lingmerth comes to this week's Memorial Tournament not exactly riding a wave of momentum.

Lingmerth is making his 68th career start on the PGA TOUR this week, and remains in search of his first top-10 finish since the 2014 Crowne Plaza invitational at Colonial (T5). Lingmerth is also in search of his first win on the PGA TOUR.

Lingmerth caught the attention of the golfing world two years ago when, as a PGA TOUR rookie, he battled Tiger Woods down the stretch at the PLAYERS Championship, before settling for T2 honors, two strokes back of Woods.

In the 39-year history of the Memorial Tournament, only eight International players have won at Muirfield Village Golf Club, most recently Hideki Matsuyama in 2014 and Justin Rose in 2010.

Lingmerth, a 2012 and 2014 graduate of the Web.com Tour, won the 2012 Neediest Kids Championship in Maryland.

Second-Round Leader Notes

The lowest 36-hole score at the Memorial Tournament is 13-under 131, held by Rickie Fowler in 2010. Fowler finished second to Justin Rose.

Dating to the Memorial Tournament's inaugural year of 1976, 13 second-round leaders/co-leaders have managed to convert for the win. The last to do so was Steve Stricker in 2011.

Six of 28 second-round leaders have managed to convert for the win this year on the PGA TOUR. Steven Bowditch most recently achieved the feat at the AT&T Byron Nelson last week.

Jason Dufner

Two holes after a double-bogey five at No. 12, Cleveland native Jason Dufner played Nos. 14-16 birdie-eagle-ace. He made an eagle-three at 15, which he followed with an ace at the 16th from 201 yards (6-iron). Dufner also made eagle at the 15th in round one. With his second-round, 5-under 67, Dufner will head into the weekend one stroke back at 11-under 133.

With eagles at Nos. 5 and 15 in round one and 15 and 16 in round two, Dufner is just one eagle shy of the PGA TOUR record for most in a 72-hole event. Dave Eichelberger and Davis Love III recorded five each at the 1980 and 1993 Sony Open in Hawaii, respectively.

Before this week, the last time Dufner posted two eagles in the same round was in round two of the 2004 FedEx St. Jude Classic.

As the Official Mortgage Sponsor of the PGA TOUR, Quicken Loans will award one year's worth of mortgage payments to Joseph E. of Atlanta, Ga. to commemorate Dufner's 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 reregister to be eligible in 2015.

Dufner's ace was the first of his PGA TOUR career and first at the 16th during the Memorial Tournament since Joe Ozaki in the final round of 1996.

The last player to record an ace and go on to win the event on the PGA TOUR was Dustin Johnson earlier this year at the World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship. Before that, Steve Stricker aced the eighth hole in round two of the 2011 Memorial Tournament en route to his victory at Muirfield Village Golf Club.

This marks Dufner's fourth start in the Memorial Tournament, where he has previously not enjoyed much success. After missed cuts in his first two starts of 2009 and 2010, he managed a T19 finish last year with, among others, Bo Van Pelt and Jordan Spieth.

Dufner comes to Muirfield Village Golf Club this week in search of his fourth career PGA TOUR title. He won the 2012 Zurich Classic of New Orleans, 2012 AT&T Byron Nelson and 2013 PGA Championship.

In 14 starts this season before this week, he has collected top-10 finishes at the World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions (T10) and last week's AT&T Byron Nelson (T8).

Dufner is contributing \$50 to the WGC-Bridgestone Invitational's "Birdies for Kids" program for every birdie, eagle or double eagle he makes in the 2014-15 PGA TOUR season. In round two today, Dufner made four birdies and two eagles to add to the 163 birdies and 7 eagles to date to raise charitable funds for designated children's hospitals in Northeast Ohio.

Andy Sullivan

In his first stroke-play start on the PGA TOUR, England's Andy Sullivan posted a bogey-free, 8-under 64 to get to 10-under 134 and within two strokes of the lead. He finished T34 earlier this season at the WGC-Cadillac Match Play in his only other start of any kind on TOUR.

Sullivan earned a spot into this week's Memorial Tournament field as a tournament selection from among the money leaders on the European TOUR.

The 29-year-old Sullivan has enjoyed increasing success on the European Tour since turning professional in 2011. From 2011-2014, Sullivan finished 145th, 98th and 33rd, respectively on the European Tour's Order of Merit.

At the South African Open in January, Sullivan overcame a seven-stroke deficit to beat Charl Schwartzel and claim his first European Tour title. Two months later, Sullivan captured his second European Tour title at the Joburg Open.

In the final round of last year's KLM Open, Sullivan aced the 15th hole. As a result, he won – literally – a trip into space, courtesy of tournament sponsor XCOR Expeditions. As a promotional endeavor, the U.S. spaceflight company was awarding various trips to outer space on board its Lynx Mark I and II spaceships.

Sullivan comes into this week's Memorial Tournament ranked 58th in the Official World Golf Ranking.

Hideki Matsuyama

Defending Memorial Tournament champion Hideki Matsuyama wasn't able to mount much of a charge in Friday's second round, posting a 1-under 71. Matsuyama will head into the weekend at 9-under 135.

En route to his 2014 victory, his first and only PGA TOUR title, Matsuyama opened with scores of 70-67 and was five strokes back at 7-under-par.

With a win, 23-year-old Matsuyama would join Tiger Woods as players who've successfully defended a Memorial Tournament title. Woods, who has five tournament titles, won three consecutively from 1999-2001. He would also become the seventh player to win the Memorial Tournament more than once. The others: Jack Nicklaus (1977, 1984), Tom Watson (1979, 1996), Hale Irwin (1983, 1985), Greg Norman (1990, 1995), Kenny Perry (1991, 2003, 2008) and Tiger Woods (1999-2001, 2009, 2012).

Matsuyama is making his 16th start of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season this week, having collected seven top-10 finishes. His seven top-10 finishes is one shy of Jordan Spieth, who leads the TOUR in that category.

Jim Furyk

Making his 20th start in the Memorial Tournament, Jim Furyk put himself in good position for the weekend, posting a 6-under 66. Coupled with an opening-round 69, Furyk is at 9-under 135 through 36 holes.

Furyk has collected six top-10 finishes in the event, highlighted by a 2002 victory. His only missed cut at Muirfield Village Golf Club came in 2011.

With a win this week, Furyk would join Jimmy Walker and Jordan Spieth as multiple winners on the PGA TOUR this season. Furyk won the RBC Heritage, his 17th TOUR title, in sudden death over Kevin Kisner. A win this week would also be his first multiple-win season on the PGA TOUR since 2010, when he won three times en route to FedExCup honors.

Jordan Spieth

In search of a sixth top-5 finish in 12 starts, World No. 2 Jordan Spieth followed a 4-under 68 with a 2-under 70 in round two. He will head into the weekend six strokes off David Lingmerth's 12-under lead.

Dating to the Valspar Championship, site of his first PGA TOUR win this season, Spieth has now posted 24 of 32 sub-par scores. He is 29 of 32 in rounds of par-or-better.

With eight top-10 finishes so far this season, Spieth leads in that category over defending Memorial Tournament champion Hideki Matsuyama, who has seven.

After missing the cut at THE PLAYERS Championship last month, Spieth finished T2 at the Crowne Plaza Invitational at Colonial and T30 at last week's AT&T Byron Nelson.

Spieth is making his third start at the Memorial. Following a T63 finish in 2013, he improved to T19 last year.

Phil Mickelson

Making his 15th start at the Memorial, Phil Mickelson followed an opening-round, even-par 72 with a 4-under 68.

In his 14 previous starts, Mickelson has collected three top-10 finishes; T9/2002, T4/2006 and T5/2010. In his last two starts at the Memorial Tournament, Mickelson withdrew after an opening-round, 7-over 79 in 2012 and finished T49 last year.

The par-3 16th hole has proven to be Mickelson's nemesis over the years. Although he has managed par in both rounds this week so far, Mickelson is 14-over in 48 rounds on that hole. He played the hole in 5-over-par last year.

Tiger Woods

With birdies at three of his first four holes, Tiger Woods posted a 2-under 70 in round two. At 1-under 143 through 36 holes, Woods made the cut on the number and will begin the weekend 11 strokes back.

Muirfield Village Golf Club's two finishing holes haven't been friendly to Woods so far this week. He has bogeyed the par-4 17th both days and played the par-4 18th double-bogey, par, putting him at 4-over through that four-hole stretch. Woods 5' 8" putt for par at 18 in round two was necessary to make the cut.

With his double-bogey six at the 18th hole in round one, Tiger Woods is now 8-over on the hole in his last nine rounds. Woods also made a double bogey on the hole in round one of 2012 en route to his fifth and most recent win in the event. On his way to a third-round, 7-over 79 in 2013, Woods took a triple bogey at the home hole.

With his made cut today, Woods continues to hold the longest active streak of consecutive cuts made at the Memorial, having made the cut in each of his 15 starts.

Patrick Rodgers

Playing on a special, tournament exemption for winning last year's Jack Nicklaus Award, Patrick Rodgers followed a 3-under 69 in round one with a 6-under 66 in today's second round. At 8-under 136, Rodgers has himself in good position for a strong weekend finish.

Rodgers is not a member of the PGA TOUR, but can earn Special Temporary Membership for the remainder of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season. He needs to earn more than the player that finished No. 150 on the 2013-14 FedExCup points list (323/Johnson Wagner). When he surpasses that number and becomes eligible for Special Temporary Membership, he would be able to accept unlimited sponsor exemptions for the remainder of his 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season in his attempt to earn his 2015-16 TOUR card. Rodgers has 315 FedExCup points, which leaves him nine points shy of STM. With this week's Memorial Tournament being his last available event via a sponsor exemption (7), his only way to get into a PGA TOUR field the remainder of this season, unless he earns STM, is via a top-10 finish this week at the Memorial or through Monday Qualifying. He can also earn a spot in the U.S. Open via qualifying. To earn STM this week at the Memorial Tournament, Rodgers needs to finish in sole possession of 62nd (a multiple-way tie for 57th – 61st would not be a guarantee).

Rodgers just missed the necessary points at the Wells Fargo Championship a month ago. Needing a solo-second-place finish, Rodgers, finished T2.

Miscellaneous Notes

Kenny Perry's victory in 2008 came at the age of 47 years, 9 months and 22 days, making him the tournament's oldest champion. Last year, Hideki Matsuyama (22 years, 3 months and 7 days) supplanted Tiger Woods (1999 at 23 years, 5 months and 7 days) as the youngest champion in tournament history.

The tournament record at the Memorial Tournament is 268 (-20) by Tom Lehman in 1994, while the course record at Muirfield Village Golf Club is 61 (-11) by John Huston in 1996.

Alex Cejka was disqualified after his second round for signing an incorrect scorecard.

Bogey-Free rounds:

R1: Hideki Matsuyama (64) and Francesco Molinari (68).

R2: Andy Sullivan (64), David Lingmerth (65), Andrew Putnam (66), Brendan Steele (67), Zac Blair (68), Matt Jones (68) and Troy Merritt (69).

Scoring averages at the par-72 Muirfield Village Golf Club

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R1:	34.983	36.317	71.300	
R2:	35.487	35.773	71.260	71.279

Early scoring average: 71.04 Late scoring average: 71.78

The most difficult hole in round two was the par-4 10th, playing to an average of 4.286. The easiest was the par-5 15th, with an average of 4.652.