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**2015 the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide**  
(The 30<sup>th</sup> 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**

**FedExCup Points: 500**  
**Purse: \$6,200,000 (\$1,116,000)**

### **Third-Round Notes – Saturday, June 6, 2015**

*Weather: Mostly cloudy skies with a high of 78 degrees. Winds NE 8-15 mph.*

#### **Third-Round Leaderboard**

Justin Rose	68-67-66—201 (-15)
Francesco Molinari	68-67-69—204 (-12)
David Lingmerth	67-65-72—204 (-12)

#### **Justin Rose**

With a third-round 6-under 66, 2010 Memorial Tournament champion Justin Rose will head into the final round with a three-stroke lead.

In 2010, Rose headed to the final day three shots off the lead. He went on to win his maiden PGA TOUR victory by three strokes over Rickie Fowler.

Rose looks to 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).

In the 39-year history of the event, Rose is one of eight international players to have a win at the Memorial Tournament. Rose joined Carl Pettersson (2006) as the only European winners of the Memorial Tournament.

This marks the 11<sup>th</sup> time Rose has led/co-led after 54 holes, and converted to victory three times, most recently at the 2015 Zurich Classic of New Orleans.

It took 20 events in the 2014-15 PGA TOUR season for the first multiple winner to emerge. Justin Rose looks to become the fourth behind Jimmy Walker, Jordan Spieth and Rory McIlroy, having won just six weeks ago. Span between multiple wins: Walker (12 weeks) Jordan Spieth (five weeks) and McIlroy (three weeks).

Rose is making his 11<sup>th</sup> start at the Memorial Tournament where he has five top 10s: T8/2013, 8<sup>th</sup>/2012, Won/2010, T2/2008, 4<sup>th</sup>/2004.

In 10 starts at Muirfield Village Golf Club, Rose recorded all four sub-round pars twice, in 2010 (win) and 2004 (4<sup>th</sup>).

Rose looks to become the first winner since Steve Stricker to record all four rounds in the 60s. Stricker posted rounds of 68-67-69-68 to win in 2011.

#### **Third-Round Leader Notes**

The lowest 54-hole score at the Memorial Tournament is 18-under 198, held by Scott Hoch in 1987.

The leader/co-leader of the Memorial Tournament going into what would be the final round has gone on to win 18 times since the event's 1976 inception.

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

### Francesco Molinari

Italy's Francesco Molinari is making his 11<sup>th</sup> start as a member of the PGA TOUR. He had 53 starts on TOUR as a non-member from 2007 to 2014. His season is highlighted by a T10 finish at the CareerBuilder Challenge in partnership with the Clinton Foundation.

Molinari is making his first start at the Memorial Tournament. Other than Roger Maltbie, who won the inaugural edition of the Memorial Tournament in 1976, 2015 champion Hideki Matsuyama is the only player to win the event in his first start.

Molinari won the 2010 World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions by one stroke over Lee Westwood, when the event did not count as an official TOUR win.

Molinari is currently No. 59 in the Official World Golf Ranking.

Molinari is winless in 63 starts on the PGA TOUR. Should he win, he would become the sixth player to make the Memorial Tournament his maiden PGA TOUR victory, joining Keith Fergus (1981), Kenny Perry (1991), Tom Lehman (1994), Justin Rose (2010) and last year's champion Hideki Matsuyama.

Molinari recorded the 12<sup>th</sup> ace of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR season on the 16<sup>th</sup> hole at TPC Scottsdale during the 2015 Waste Management Phoenix Open. It was the first hole-in-one at the 16<sup>th</sup> during the tournament since Jarrod Lyle's in the second round of 2011.

### David Lingmerth

David Lingmerth followed rounds of 67-65 with a third-round 1-over-par 72 and is three shots off the lead heading into the final round.

Lingmerth comes off four missed cuts in his last five starts on TOUR.

Lingmerth is making his 68<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

### Tiger Woods

Today's 42-43—85 (+13) marked a career-high round for Tiger Woods (in a non-major and as a professional), two-strokes higher than his previous career-high which came earlier this season in the second round of the Waste Management Phoenix Open, 11-over 82. Woods made six bogeys, two double bogeys and one quadruple bogey. His only birdie came at the par-5 15<sup>th</sup>.

The chart below shows Woods' career quadruple bogeys:

Tournament	Hole/Round
2013 BMW Championship	Par-4, No. 1 in Round 2
1999 AT&T Byron Nelson	Par-3, No. 17 in Round 3
1997 Memorial Tournament	Par-4, No. 3 in Round 3
1997 Open Championship	Par-4, No. 10 in Round 2
1996 John Deere Classic	Par-4, No. 4 in Round 4

Today's 7-over 43 on his back nine is one stroke shy of Woods' highest nine-hole score on the PGA TOUR.

Of Woods' 34 competitive rounds on the PGA TOUR since the beginning of the 2013-14 Season, 21 have now been with over-par scores.

Woods has twice posted an 8-over 44 on nine holes:

- First nine in round two of this year's Waste Management Phoenix Open (Nos. 10-18)
- Inward nine in round three of the 2013 Memorial Tournament.

Today marked the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> time in his career Woods posted a nine-hole score of 40 or higher.

With a bogey on the par-4 17<sup>th</sup> all three rounds and a double bogey, par, quadruple bogey on the par-4 18<sup>th</sup>, Woods is 9-over on Muirfield Village Golf Club's two finishing holes.

With his double-bogey six at the 18<sup>th</sup> hole in round one and quadruple-bogey eight in round three, Woods is now 12-over on the hole in his last 11 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.

As 71 players made the cut, Tiger Woods will play the final round solo for the first time in his career in tomorrow's final round.

### Patrick Rodgers

Last year's Jack Nicklaus Award winner Patrick Rodgers carded a third-round 78 to sit in T46 heading into the final round. A non-member, Rodgers needs to finish in sole possession of 62<sup>nd</sup> or better to earn Special Temporary Membership for the remainder of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR season.

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.

### Miscellaneous Notes

With Tiger Woods' 85 and Phil Mickelson's 78 in the third round, the pair combined for a 163 total, one stroke higher than their worst cumulative score in the same round of 162, which came in the third round of the 1998 Open Championship where Woods carded a 77 and Mickelson an 85. Woods went on to finish third after a final-round 66.

Dustin Johnson recorded two eagles (No. 5 and No. 11), six birdies and one double-bogey six for a third-round 7-under 65. Johnson's stats between round two and three:

Statistic	Second Round	Third Round
Strokes Gained: Tee To Green	0.910 (50 <sup>th</sup> )	4.405 (4 <sup>th</sup> )
Strokes Gained: Putting	-0.649 (76 <sup>th</sup> )	2.778 (3 <sup>rd</sup> )
Strokes Gained: Total	0.261 (T49)	7.183 (T1)

After opening with a bogey on the first hole, Keegan Bradley recorded eight birdies, including consecutive birdies on Nos. 5-8 for a second round 7-under 65. He leads the field in scrambling and Strokes Gained: Tee To Green.

Defending champion Hideki Matsuyama carded a second straight 1-under 71 and is five shots off the lead heading into the final round. He came back from a two-stroke deficit to win in 2014.

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.

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).

R3: None

Scoring averages at the par-72 Muirfield Village Golf Club

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	34.983	36.317	71.300	
R2:	35.487	35.773	71.260	71.279
R3:	35.606	36.577	72.183	71.487

The most difficult hole in round three was the par-4 18<sup>th</sup>, playing to an average of 4.465. The easiest was the par-5 15<sup>th</sup>, with an average of 4.437.