



2015 World Golf Championships-Cadillac Match Play

(The 25th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

San Francisco, CA
TPC Harding Park

April 27-May 3, 2015
Par/Yards: 36-35-71/7,127

Purse: \$9,250,000 (\$1,570,000 to the winner)

First-Round Notes – Wednesday, April 29, 2015

Weather

Temperatures were in the high 50s with winds W8-15mph.

New group format

The 64-player Cadillac Match Play field is divided into 16 four-player groups. Each group will play round-robin matches within their group on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The player with the best record in each of the four player groups advances to the Round of 16 for single-elimination match play (in the event of a two-way tie in a group, head-to-head match results will be used as the tiebreaker; a three-way tie will require a sudden-death stroke play hole-by-hole-playoff). The Round of 16 will be played Saturday morning, followed by the Quarterfinals on Saturday afternoon. The Semifinals will be Sunday morning, followed by the Championship Match and Consolation Match on Sunday afternoon.

The top seed for each of the 16 four-player groups is top 16 players in order of their position in the Official World Golf Ranking. The remaining three players in each group were determined by a blind draw from each of three pools depending on their standing in the OWGR.

GROUP 1

Player	Seed	Record
Rory McIlroy	(1)	1-0
Billy Horschel	(18)	1-0
Brandt Snedeker	(35)	0-1
Jason Dufner	(53)	0-1

Group 1, round by round

- RD. 1 Jordan Spieth defeated Jason Dufner, 5 and 4
Billy Horschel defeated Brandt Snedeker, 5 and 4
RD. 2 (THUR.) – McIlroy vs. Snedeker, Horschel vs. Dufner
RD. 3 (FRI.) – McIlroy vs. Horschel, Snedeker vs. Dufner

World No. 1 Rory McIlroy defeated Jason Dufner 5 and 4 as the top-ranked seed in the tournament in one of the most difficult groups from a ranking perspective. McIlroy won despite only having one birdie which came on the first hole followed by 13 pars. Dufner struggled with five bogeys.

Horschel's 5-and-4 victory included six birdies and no bogeys. The 2014 FedExCup champion has one top-10 finish so far this season. He started his round with birdies on three of the first four holes to jump to a 3-up lead early and never looked back.

GROUP 2

Player	Seed	Record
Jordan Spieth	(2)	1-0
Lee Westwood	(26)	1-0
Matt Every	(40)	0-1

Mikko Ilonen (62) 0-1

Group 2 round-by-round

RD. 1 Jordan Spieth defeated Mikko Ilonen, 4-and-2

Lee Westwood defeated Matt Every, 1-up

RD. 2 (THUR.) – Spieth vs. Every, Westwood vs. Ilonen

RD. 3 (FRI.) – Spieth vs. Westwood, Every vs. Ilonen

World No. 2 and winner of this year's Masters Tournament Jordan Spieth beat Finland's Mikko Ilonen 4-and-2. Spieth

At 21 year's old, Spieth and No. 1 Rory McIlroy (25), combine for the first time in tournament history that the top two seeds have both been 25 or younger entering the event. In his first appearance at the Cadillac Match Play last year, Spieth won his first three matches before losing to Ernie Els in the quarterfinals.

After a stellar offseason in which Spieth won in Australia and at the Hero World Challenge, he has finished in the top 20 in nine of his last 10 events, including seven top-10 finishes, two runner-ups and victories at the Valspar Championship and the Masters Tournament. Spieth is No. 1 in the FedExCup standings.

At 21 years, 9 months and 6 days (on Sunday of tournament week), Spieth could become the youngest-ever winner of a World Golf Championships event. Last year, Day became the tournament's youngest winner at 26 years, 1 month and 28 days.

Youngest winners of World Golf Championships events:

- Tiger Woods, Bridgestone Invitational, 1999–23 years, 7 months, 30 days
- Tiger Woods, Cadillac Championship, 1999–23 years, 10 months, 8 days
- Tiger Woods, Bridgestone Invitational, 2000–24 years, 7 months, 28 days
- Tiger Woods, Bridgestone Invitational, 2001–25 years, 7 months, 27 days
- Jason Day, Cadillac Match Play, 2014 –26 years, 1 month, 28 days

Fresh off his Asian Tour Indonesian Masters victory on Sunday, England's Lee Westwood defeated Matt Every 1-up. Westwood is playing in his 51st career World Golf Championships event, the most of any player in the series' history.

Westwood's round included six birdies, five bogeys and one double bogey including birdies on three of the final four holes for the victory.

GROUP 3

Player	Seed	Record
Bill Haas	(23)	1-0
John Senden	(60)	1-0
Brendon Todd	(42)	0-1
Henrik Stenson	(3)	0-1

Group 3 round-by-round

RD. 1 John Senden defeated Henrik Stenson, 19 holes

Bill Haas defeated Brendon Todd, 3 and 2

RD. 2 (THUR.) – Stenson vs. Todd, Haas vs. Senden

RD. 3 (FRI.) – Stenson vs. Haas, Todd vs. Senden

Third seed Henrik Stenson lost to Australian John Senden on the 19th hole after Senden secured the victory with a birdie on the first playoff hole. Since winning the Cadillac Match Play in 2008, Stenson has one win in his last seven matches.

Bill Haas defeated fellow American Brendon Todd thanks to birdies on holes 4, 5, 6 and 8 that saw him go 4-up thru eight holes. The win puts Haas' career record to 2-4 at the Cadillac Match Play having advanced out of the first round only once in his four previous attempts at the event.

GROUP 4

Player	Seed	Record
Bubba Watson	(4)	1-0
Louis Oosthuizen	(29)	1-0
Keegan Bradley	(33)	0-1

M. A. Jimenez (63) 0-1

Group 4 round-by-round

RD. 1 Bubba Watson defeated Miguel A. Jimenez, 5 and 4
Louis Oosthuizen defeated Keegan Bradley, 6 and 5
RD. 2 (THUR.) – Watson vs. Bradley, Oosthuizen vs. Jimenez
RD. 3 (FRI.) – Watson vs. Oosthuizen, Bradley vs. Jimenez

No. 4 seed Bubba Watson defeated Miguel Angel Jimenez 5 and 4. In four previous attempts at the event, Watson never lost in the opening round, reaching the consolation match in 2011. In six events on the PGA TOUR this year, Watson has a victory at the World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions, a runner-up at the Waste Management Phoenix Open, finished 3rd at the World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship and has only finished outside the top 14 once.

GROUP 5

Player	Seed	Record
Jim Furyk	(5)	1-0
Martin Kaymer	(17)	1-0
Thongchai Jaidee	(44)	0-1
George Coetzee	(59)	0-1

Group 5 round-by-round

RD. 1 Jim Furyk defeated George Coetzee, 3 and 2
Martin Kaymer defeated Thongchai Jaidee, 3 and 1
RD. 2 (THUR.) – Furyk vs. Jaidee, Kaymer vs. Coetzee
RD. 3 (FRI.) – Furyk vs. Kaymer, Jaidee vs. Coetzee

In his first tournament since winning the RBC Heritage, Jim Furyk defeated South African George Coetzee thanks to three consecutive birdies on holes 11-13. Furyk recorded his best finish at this event in 14 previous tries with a T5 last year.

Two weeks ago, 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.

Martin Kaymer, who will return to TPC Sawgrass next week as the defending champion of THE PLAYERS, has missed his last three cuts on the PGA TOUR and is looking for his first top-10 finish on TOUR since the 2014 World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions.

GROUP 6

Player	Seed	Record
Anirban Lahiri	(34)	1-0
Marc Leishman	(56)	1-0
Justin Rose	(6)	0-1
Ryan Palmer	(22)	0-1

Group 6 round-by-round

RD. 1 Anirban Lahiri defeated Ryan Palmer, 4 and 2
Marc Leishman defeated Justin Rose, 3 and 2
RD. 2 (THUR.) – Rose vs. Lahiri, Leishman vs. Palmer
RD. 3 (FRI.) – Rose vs. Palmer, Lahiri vs. Leishman

Coming off a victory at last week's Zurich Classic of New Orleans, Justin Rose was defeated by Marc Leishman, 3 and 2. Leishman, whose wife was seriously ill and given a five percent chance to live in early April. His wife is recovering well and Leishman has returned to play golf.

Anirban Lahiri, who has won twice on the European Tour as a rookie this season at the Maybank Malaysian Open and the Hero Indian Open, defeated Ryan Palmer 3 and 2.

Group 6 (Lahiri and Leishman), Group 9 (Paul Casey and Francesco Molinari) and Group 11 (Webb Simpson and Gary Woodland) are the three groups in which both of the lower seeds won on Wednesday.

GROUP 7

Player	Seed	Record
Charley Hoffman	(49)	1-0
Zach Johnson	(24)	1-0
Jason Day	(7)	0-1
Branden Grace	(38)	0-1

Group 7 round-by-round

- RD. 1 Charly Hoffman defeated Jason Day, 4 and 3
Zach Johnson defeated Branden Grace, 2-up
RD. 2 (THUR.) – Day vs Grace, Johnson vs. Hoffman
RD. 3 (FRI.) – Day vs. Johnson, Grace vs. Hoffman

No. 49 seed Charley Hoffman recorded a convincing 4-and-3 victory over defending champion Jason Day 4 and 3 thanks to birdies on three of his last four holes. Hoffman won earlier this year at the OHL Classic at Mayakoba. This is the second time in his career that he has qualified for the Cadillac Match Play, losing in the first round to Luke Donald in 2011.

Zach Johnson, one of four players in the field this week (Mahan, Furyk, Scott) who played in the Presidents Cup when it was held at TPC Harding Park in 2009, defeated Brendan Grace, 2-up. Johnson also beat Grace in singles play at the 2013 Presidents Cup at Muirfield Village.

Johnson is also one of 11 players in the field who teed it up at TPC Harding Park with the World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship was played here.

Player	2005 Cadillac Championships finish
Jim Furyk	T15
Sergio Garcia	T3
Thongchai Jaidee	T60
Miguel A Jimenez	T41
Zach Johnson	T43
Graeme McDowell	T6
Ian Poulter	T18
Charl Schwartzel	T18
Adam Scott	T29
Henrik Stenson	T3
Lee Westwood	T51

GROUP 8

Player	Seed	Record
Dustin Johnson	(8)	1-0
Victor Dubuisson	(21)	0-1
Charl Schwartzel	(37)	1-0
Matt Jones	(58)	0-1

Group 8 round-by-round

- RD. 1 Dustin Johnson defeated Matt Jones, 3 and 1
Charl Schwartzel defeated Victor Dubuisson, 5 and 4
RD. 2 (THUR.) – Johnson vs. Schwartzel, Dubuisson vs. Jones
RD. 3 (FRI.) – Johnson vs. Dubuisson, Schwartzel vs. Jones

Dustin Johnson, winner of the most recent World Golf Championships event at the Cadillac Championship, defeated Australian Matt Jones 3 and 1. Johnson lost in the first round of the event in five of his six career previous appearances. The nine-time PGA TOUR winner has victories in each of the last eight calendar years dating back to 2008.

Johnson has two career World Golf Championships victories (2013 HSBC Champions, 2015 Cadillac Championship). Players with multiple World Golf Championships wins include Tiger Woods (18), Geoff Ogilvy (3), Darren Clarke (2), Ernie Els (2), Hunter Mahan (2), Phil Mickelson (2), Ian Poulter (2), Dustin Johnson (2).

GROUP 9

Player	Seed	Record
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Paul Casey	(36)	1-0
Francesco Molinari	(64)	1-0
Adam Scott	(9)	0-1
Chris Kirk	(25)	0-1

Group 9 round-by-round

RD. 1 Francesco Molinari defeated Adam Scott, 5 and 4

Paul Casey defeated Chris Kirk, 22 holes

RD. 2 (THUR.) – Scott vs. Casey, Kirk vs. Molinari

RD. 3 (FRI.) – Scott vs. Kirk, Casey vs. Molinari

No. 64 seed Francesco Molinari defeated No. 9 seed Adam Scott 5 and 4. The Italian had made it out of the first round once in five previous appearances at the event. The 5-and-4 defeat is Scott's worst loss in 27 matches in 13 appearances at the tournament.

Paul Casey and Chris Kirk played 2XXX holes

GROUP 10

Player	Seed	Record
Sergio Garcia	(10)	1-0
Jamie Donaldson	(30)	1-0
Bernd Wiesberger	(39)	0-1
Tommy Fleetwood	(54)	0-1

Group 10 round-by-round

RD. 1 Sergio Garcia defeated Tommy Fleetwood, 2-up

Jamie Donaldson defeated Bernd Wiesberger, 1-up

RD. 2 (THUR.) – Garcia vs. Wiesberger, Donaldson vs. Fleetwood.

RD. 3 (FRI.) – Garcia vs. Donaldson, Wiesberger vs. Fleetwood

In the all-European Group 10, Spaniard Sergio Garcia defeated England's Tommy Fleetwood while Welshman Jamie Donaldson defeated Austria's Bernd Wiesberger 1-up.

Sergio Garcia finished T3 when the 2005 Cadillac Championship (then American Express Championship) was held at TPC Harding Park. Garcia birdied two of his final four holes for the victory. The Spaniard is playing in the event for the 13th time in his career with his best finish (4th) coming in 2010.

Donaldson, who was a key figure on the European Team's Ryder Cup victory last year, won his first match in his third time playing the event after being eliminated in the first round in his past two attempts.

GROUP 11

Player	Seed	Record
Webb Simpson	(46)	1-0
Gary Woodland	(50)	1-0
Jimmy Walker	(11)	0-1
Ian Poulter	(27)	0-1

Group 11 round-by-round

RD. 1 Gary Woodland defeated Jimmy Walker, 19 holes

Webb Simpson defeated Ian Poulter, 3 and 2

RD. 2 (THUR.) – Walker vs. Simpson, Poulter vs. Woodland

RD. 3 (FRI.) – Walker vs. Poulter, Simpson vs. Woodland

Gary Woodland eagled the signature 14th hole from 127 yards away as part of his victory over 11th-seeded Jimmy Walker in 19 holes. No player ever led the match by more than 1-up at any time. On the 19th hole (hole No. 1), Woodland birdied the par 5 for his victory. This is Woodland's third time playing in this event. In the old format, he failed to advance beyond the first round in his previous two appearances.

Walker is playing in his seventh career World Golf Championships event and his second Cadillac Match Play. He is still searching for his first top-10 finish in a World Golf Championships series event. Walker has five PGA TOUR victories since the start of the 2013-2014 season including two wins this year at the Sony Open in Hawaii and the Valero Texas Open.

Webb Simpson, who won the 2012 U.S. Open at TPC Harding Park's neighbor course, The Olympic Club, defeated 2009 Cadillac Match Play champion Ian Poulter 3 and 2. Poulter bogeyed four of his first eight holes and was unable to rebound on the back nine.

GROUP 12

Player	Seed	Record
Marc Warren	(51)	1-0
Brooks Koepka	(19)	1-0
Russell Henley	(45)	0-1
J.B. Holmes	(12)	0-1

Group 12 round-by-round

RD. 1 Marc Warren defeated J.B. Holmes, 2 and 1
Brooks Koepka defeated Russell Henley, 1-up
RD. 2 (THUR.) – Holmes vs. Henley, Koepka vs. Warren
RD. 3 (FRI.) – Holmes vs. Koepka, Warren vs. Henley

Scotland's Marc Warren beat American J.B. Holmes 2 and 1 after Holmes recorded a bogey and double bogey on the 16th and 17th holes, respectively. Warren is playing in the event for the first time in his career. Holmes' season includes a victory at the Shell Houston Open in a playoff against Johnson Wagner and Jordan Spieth and runner-up finishes at the World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship and the Farmers Insurance Open.

Brooks Koepka defeated fellow American Russell Henley, 1-up in his first-ever appearance at the Cadillac Match Play. Koepka earned his first career PGA TOUR victory at the age of 24 years, 8 months, 26 days earlier this year at the Waste Management Phoenix Open. He earned enough non-member FedExCup points/money during the 2013-2014 season to achieve Special Temporary Membership, and parlayed that into a top-125 finish on the non-member FedExCup points list to earn his TOUR card for the 2014-15 season.

GROUP 13

Player	Seed	Record
Shane Lowry	(47)	1-0
Rickie Fowler	(13)	1-0
Graeme McDowell	(32)	0-1
Harris English	(55)	0-1

Group 13 round-by-round

RD. 1 Rickie Fowler defeated Harris English, 1-up
Shane Lowry defeated Graeme McDowell, 1-up
RD. 2 (THUR.) – Fowler vs. Lowry, McDowell vs. English
RD. 3 (FRI.) – Fowler vs. McDowell, Lowry vs. English

Rickie Fowler matched Harris English's birdie at the final hole to finish 1-up for his first-round victory. Fowler is in search of his first top-10 finish since he started the season T3 at the World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions – a span of eight events. The eight-event stretch without a top-10 finish is the longest of Fowler's career since he went nine events to end the 2012 season.

Fowler was 3-up with five holes to play but took until the 18th hole to secure his win.

Ireland's Shane Lowry defeated his friend Graeme McDowell (Northern Ireland) 1-up. Lowry beat Rory McIlroy in the first round in 2013 as the 64 seed. Lowry will face Fowler in the second round with both players holding a 1-0 record.

GROUP 14

Player	Seed	Record
Hunter Mahan	(31)	1-0
Ben Martin	(61)	1-0
Stephen Gallacher	(41)	0-1
Matt Kuchar	(14)	0-1

Group 14 round-by-round

- RD. 1 Hunter Mahan defeated Stephen Gallacher, 7 and 6
Ben Martin defeated Matt Kuchar, 1-up
RD. 2 (THUR.) – Martin vs. Mahan, Kuchar vs. Gallacher
RD. 3 (FRI.) – Kuchar vs. Mahan, Martin vs. Gallacher

Hunter Mahan, who won the 2012 Cadillac Match Play and finished runner-up in 2013, defeated Stephen Gallacher in the largest deficit of the day 7 and 6. Since the start of the 2012 Cadillac Match Play, Mahan now has a 14-2 record.

Mahan is one of four players in this week's field who played in The Presidents Cup when it was held at TPC Harding Park in 2009. Mahan went 2-1-1 as part of the U.S. Team's victory, including a 2-and-1 win over Camilo Villegas in singles play.

Mahan is joined by 2009 teammates Jim Furyk, and Zach Johnson as players from the U.S. Team who are in the field at the Cadillac Match Play. Adam Scott is the lone member of the 2009 International Team in the field.

Ben Martin and 2013 Cadillac Match Play champion Matt Kuchar arrived to the 17th tee all square. Martin recorded a hole-in-one to take a 1-up lead and eventually go on to win the first match of his career at the Cadillac Match Play. This is Martin's first career World Golf Championships event. He recorded his first PGA TOUR victory earlier this season at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open.

During today's first round of the World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship, Ben Martin aced the 17th hole from 235 yards, using a hybrid. As the Official Mortgage Sponsor of the PGA TOUR, Quicken Loans will award one year's worth of mortgage payments to Richard M. from Deering, New Hampshire, to commemorate the 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 re-register to be eligible in 2015.

GROUP 15

Player	Seed	Record
Patrick Reed	(15)	1-0
Ryan Moore	(28)	0-1
Danny Willett	(48)	1-0
Andy Sullivan	(57)	0-1

Group 15 round-by-round

- RD. 1 Patrick Reed defeated Andy Sullivan, 2 and 1
Danny Willett defeated Ryan Moore, 3 and 2
RD. 2 (THUR.) – Reed vs. Willett, Moore vs. Sullivan
RD. 3 (FRI.) – Reed vs. Moore, Willett vs. Sullivan

Miscellaneous Notes

Of the 32 matches, 18 were won by the "favorites."

The lowest-ranked seed to win was No. 64 Francesco Molinari over No. 9 Adam Scott.
The highest-ranked seed to lose was No. 3 Henrik Stenson to John Senden.

Matches decided in extra holes:

Four matches were decided in extra holes during the first round.
Match No. 3 – Gary Woodland defeated Jimmy Walker in 19 holes
Match No. 5 – John Senden defeated Henrik Stenson in 19 holes
Match No. 28 – Paul Casey defeated Chris Kirk in 22 holes
Match No. 32 – Kevin Na defeated Joost Luiten in 19 holes

First-time Participants: 11

Of the 11 first-time participants at the 2015 Cadillac Match Play, Brooks Koepka, Anirban Lahiri, Ben Martin, Marc Warren and Danny Willett won their first-round matches.

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