



# 2015 Wyndham Championship

(The final of 43 events in the 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season)

Greensboro, N.C. August 17-23, 2015 First-place FedExCup Points: 500

Sedgefield Country Club Par/Yards: 70/7,127 Purse: \$5,400,000

Final-Round Notes - Sunday, August 23, 2015

Weather: Mostly cloudy, with afternoon high of 86 degrees. Winds SW 5-10 mph.

## Final-Round Leaderboard

Davis Love III 64-66-69-64—263 (-17)
Jason Gore 66-67-62-69—264 (-16)
Charl Schwartzel 67-66-66-66—265 (-15)
Paul Casey 66-66-66-67—265 (-15)
Scott Brown 66-65-66-68—265 (-15)

#### Davis Love III

Davis Love III, a Life Member on the PGA TOUR based on a minimum of 20 victories, posted bookend 6-under 64s en route to winning the Wyndham Championship, his 21<sup>st</sup> PGA TOUR title. With a 72-hole total of 17-under 263, Love finished one stroke clear of Jason Gore.

With the victory, Love becomes the third oldest winner in PGA TOUR history. At 51 years, 4 months and 10 days old, he trails only Sam Snead (52-10-8 at the 1965 Wyndham Championship) and Art Wall (51-7-10 at the 1975 Greater Milwaukee Open).

Love's 21<sup>st</sup> victory comes in his 716<sup>th</sup> official PGA TOUR start, 146 starts since his last win at the 2008 Children's Miracle Network Classic.

Most years from first victory to last on the PGA TOUR:

28 years, 11 months, 20 days - Raymond Floyd (March 17, 1963-March 8, 1992)

28 years, 6 months, 28 days - Sam Snead (April 7, 1936-April 4, 1965)

28 years, 4 months, 4 days - Davis Love III (April 19, 1987-August 23, 2015)

23 years, 11 months, 24 days – Tom Watson (June 30, 1974-May 24, 1998)

With the victory, Love moves to T29 among the all-time winningest players in PGA TOUR history, joining Willie Macfarlane, Lanny Wadkins, Craig Wood and James Barnes with 21 wins. Among the players he was tied with previously are 20-time winners Greg Norman, Hale Irwin, Doug Sanders and Johnny Revolta.

With the victory, Love collects 500 points and moves from No. 186 to No. 76 in the FedExCup standings, playing his way into The Barclays – the first event of the 2015 FedExCup Playoffs.

Love (1992, 2006, 2015) owns three wins at the Wyndham Championship, trailing only Sam Snead's record eight wins at the event.

Love opened his final round with a 4-under 31, going 6-under in a five-hole stretch on Nos. 2-6 (birdie-birdie-birdie-eagle-birdie). It equaled the second-best birdie-eagle streak of the season, but still well shy of the 10-under mark posted by Ryan Palmer over eight holes during the second round of the CareerBuilder Challenge in partnership with the Clinton Foundation.

Love posted two eagles during the final round (Nos. 5 & 15).

Love earns a spot in the following 2015-16 season events (if not otherwise eligible): Hyundai Tournament of Champions, CareerBuilder Challenge in partnership with the Clinton Foundation, Arnold Palmer Invitational, Masters Tournament, RBC Heritage, THE PLAYERS Championship, Colonial National Invitation Tournament, the Memorial Tournament, Quicken Loans National, PGA Championship.

Love, captain of next year's U.S. Ryder Cup team, collects 1,000 points towards making the 2015 U.S. Presidents Cup team (currently an Assistant Coach with the team). With the additional points, he moves from No. 123 to No. 71 on the President's Cup points list.

Love wins in his 21st start at the Wyndham Championship, notching his third win and sixth top-10 finish.

Love wins in his 16<sup>th</sup> start of the season, notching his second top-10 finish (T8 – CIMB Classic).

Love becomes only the third come-from-behind winner of the event after 54 holes since its return to Sedgefield Country Club in 2008, joining Ryan Moore/2009 and Camilo Villegas/2014.

Love entered the final round trailing Jason Gore by four strokes, recording just the fourth come-from-behind win in the last 17 playings of the Wyndham Championship.

On TOUR this season, Love records the 25<sup>th</sup> come-from-behind win in 42 stroke-play events.

Love notches the first win by a player over 50 this season, compared to four wins by players in their 40s, 18 by players in their 30s and 20 by players in their 20s. The last player 50 or older to win on TOUR was Fred Funk at the 2007 OHL Classic at Mayakoba.

This week marked Love's 540<sup>th</sup> made cut on TOUR and his 178<sup>th</sup> top 10 finish.

2014-15 PGA TOUR Season starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 16-7-2-1

# **Davis Love III – Wyndham Championship Statistics**

Driving Accuracy	40 of 56	T10
Greens in Regulation	56 of 72	T18
Total Putts	116	T15
Driving Distance	297.6 yards	33
Strokes Gained – Putting	+2.283/Avg.	3

#### **About Davis Love III**

Birthdate: April 13, 1964

Birthplace/Resides: Charlotte, N.C./Sea Island, GA

Family: Wife, Robin; Alexia, Davis IV College: University of North Carolina

Height/Weight: 6-3, 175 Turned Pro: 1985 Joined TOUR: 1986

## FedExCup Playoffs Implications following Wyndham Championship

As the final event in the PGA TOUR Season, the Wyndham Championship is pivotal in the race to the FedExCup Playoffs, offering the final opportunity to improve FedExCup positions heading into the Playoffs. In some instances, it's to move into the top 125 in the FedExCup standings and qualify for the first Playoffs event, The Barclays.

The following players entered the week outside the top 125 in the FedExCup standings and moved inside the top 125: Davis Love III (from No. 186 to No. 76), Jason Gore (from No. 166 to No. 98), Jonas Blixt (from No. 135 to No. 121), Camilo Villegas (from No. 129 to No. 123) and Ryo Ishikawa (from No. 130 to No. 124).

The following players entered the week inside the top 125 in the FedExCup standings but outside the magic number following the Wyndham Championship: Will MacKenzie (from No. 116 to No. 126), Brian Stuard (from No. 119 to No. 128), Scott Stallings (from No. 120 to No. 129), Jamie Donaldson (from No. 121 to No. 130) and Nicholas Thompson (from No. 123 to No. 131).

No player outside the Playoffs bubble entering the Wyndham Championship has successfully negotiated his way to the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola.

Six of the eight previous FedExCup champions were in the Wyndham Championship field this week: Billy Horschel (2014), Brandt Snedeker (2012), Bill Haas (2011), Tiger Woods (2009 and 2007), Vijay Singh (2008).

Three of the eight previous FedExCup champions have competed in the Wyndham Championship the week preceding the start of the Playoffs: Vijay Singh (2008), Bill Haas (2011) and Brandt Snedeker (2012).

The last six players ranked No. 125 in the standings entering the Wyndham Championship have remained inside the cut line entering the FedExCup Playoffs. In fact, all six players in that position have not finished outside the top 30 at the Wyndham Championship. Here's the list:

Year	Player	Wyndham	Rank entering Playoff
2010	Michael Letzig	T18	No. 118
2011	Camilo Villegas	T9	No. 109
2012	Rod Pampling	T28	No. 116
2013	Steven Bowditch	T29	No. 120
2014	Paul Casey	T18	No. 118
2015	Charl Schwartzel	T3	No. 96

Prior to this season, 30 players had advanced to the FedExCup Playoffs each season. Following the Wyndham Championship, 22 of those players will extend that streak another year. Here's the updated list:

Player	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Haas, Bill	23	16	24	32	1	31	41	73	126
Overton, Jeff	125	92	108	44	90	29	67	99	111
Kuchar, Matt	26	8	6	18	6	2	40	115	92
Poulter, lan	59	78	53	39	87	39	31	112	57
Senden, John	88	23	109	30	13	50	24	37	55
Moore, Ryan	25	39	51	11	37	21	47	87	52
Hoffman, Charley	14	53	61	69	41	4	37	68	50
Perez, Pat	54	98	98	54	75	90	46	71	44
Watney, Nick	52	105	15	4	9	12	12	109	41
Watson, Bubba	3	5	37	13	26	22	53	30	37
Kelly, Jerry	79	62	85	122	38	102	22	51	32
Donald, Luke	119	89	28	9	3	3	30	105	31
Snedeker, Brandt	13	86	12	1	8	37	33	34	20
Howell III, Charles	70	34	35	84	19	75	49	95	18
Rose, Justin	5	11	10	6	5	15	85	114	16
Mahan, Hunter	77	6	20	19	7	18	27	18	15
Scott, Adam	94	12	4	25	16	19	110	47	12
Furyk, Jim	18	4	14	15	36	1	4	5	11
Garcia, Sergio	31	13	22	17	44	109	38	3	9
Johnson, Zach	11	18	5	12	40	17	6	131	7
Sabbatini, Rory	72	108	46	97	35	48	34	69	4
Mickelson, Phil	51	68	9	5	15	13	2	7	3

The players who failed to advance to the FedExCup Playoffs for the first time: Freddie Jacobson, Brian Davis, Bo Van Pelt, Ernie Els, Geoff Ogilvy, Aaron Baddeley, K.J. Choi, Steve Stricker.

# FedExCup Playoffs - Rookie Notes

Nine rookies are inside the top 125 to advance to the FedExCup Playoffs: Justin Thomas (36), Tony Finau (39), Daniel Berger (46), Scott Pinckney (78), Adam Hadwin (95), Nick Taylor (102), Jon Curran (105), Zac Blair (106) and Carlos Ortiz (112).

Rookies to qualify for FedExCup Playoffs

2014-15	9
2013-14	2
2013	9
2012	11
2011	11
2010	7
2009	6
2008	9#
2007	11#

# field was 144

Only six rookies have advanced all the way to the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola in the FedExCup era, with all six going on to win Rookie of the Year (Jordan Spieth/2013/7<sup>th</sup>, John Huh/2012/29<sup>th</sup>, Keegan Bradley/2011/20<sup>th</sup>, Marc Leishman/2009/20<sup>th</sup>, Andres Romero/2008/28<sup>th</sup>, Brandt Snedeker/2007/20<sup>th</sup>).

#### **Web.com Tour Finals Bubble Notes**

The Web.com Tour Finals debuted in 2013 with the Wyndham Championship playing a key role in the final qualification. Players ranked Nos. 126-200 on the FedExCup points list will be eligible for the Web.com Tour Finals. This week at the Wyndham Championship, no player moved from outside the top 200 in.

Last year at the Wyndham Championship, only Doug Labelle II (T38) moved from outside the top 200 in (200<sup>th</sup>). In doing so, he knocked out David Duval.

### **Jason Gore**

In search of his second PGA TOUR victory (2005 84 Lumber Classic) in his 246<sup>th</sup> PGA TOUR start, Jason Gore posted a final-round 1-under 69 to post the second runner-up finish of his career (2007 Buick Open).

With the runner-up finish, Gore collects 300 points and moves from No. 166 to No. 98 in the FedExCup standings, earning a spot in The Barclays (first Playoffs event). He entered the week needing a top-3 finish to advance to the Playoffs.

Gore qualified for the FedExCup Playoffs in 2007 and 2008. He advanced to the Deutsche Bank Championship (second Playoffs event) in 2007.

Gore's runner-up finish comes in his seventh start at the Wyndham Championship: 2001 (MC), 2003 (MC), 2007 (T7), 2008 (T66), 2009 (MC), 2010 (T41), 2015 (2).

Gore falls to one for two when holding the 54-hole lead/co-lead, having won the 2005 84 Lumber Classic.

### **Tiger Woods**

Tiger Woods posted a final-round even-par 70 to finish T10 in his first-ever Wyndham Championship start.

Below are the last six tournaments where Woods made his first appearance:

2015 Wyndham Championship	T10
2012 The Greenbrier Classic	MC
2011 Frys.com Open	T30
2007 Quicken Loans National	T6
2004 Wells Fargo Championship	Т3
2003 Deutsche Bank Championship	T7

Woods entered the final round trailing Jason Gore by two strokes and was seeking his 80<sup>th</sup> PGA TOUR victory in his 313<sup>th</sup> career professional start (has 14 starts as an amateur). Interestingly, Sam Snead claimed his 80<sup>th</sup> TOUR win at the Wyndham Championship in 1960 at Starmount Forest Country Club.

Woods won his last event in his 290<sup>th</sup> professional start at the 2013 WGC-Bridgestone Invitational, a span of 23 starts. Woods' longest winless streak on TOUR is 27 events from the 2009 BMW Championship until the 2012 Arnold Palmer Invitational.

This week marked Woods' first time heading into a weekend inside the top 10 on the PGA TOUR since the 2013 Barclays (T8). Woods finished T2 at Liberty National GC that week.

Woods' opening rounds of an event shooting 65 or better each round:

2015 Wyndham Championship	64-65	T10
2007 TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola	64-63	Won
2006 WGC-Cadillac Championship	63-64	Won
2002 WGC-Cadillac Championship	65-65	Won
2000 WGC-Bridgestone Invitational	64-61	Won
1997 AT&T Byron Nelson	64-64	Won

Woods came into the week No. 187 in the FedExCup standings and needed a victory or possibly sole possession of second to advance to the FedExCup Playoffs next week. He ends the season No. 178 in the standings (the second-worst showing of his career behind a 201<sup>st</sup> place finish in 2014).

Woods continues his trek to catch Sam Snead's all-time win total of 82. This year, the Wyndham Championship celebrated 50 years since Snead's last TOUR win in Greensboro in 1965.

# **Martin Kaymer**

Martin Kaymer finished T14 in his second-career start at the Wyndham Championship (T20-2013).

Kaymer finishes the year No. 139 in the FedExCup standings, with just 13 starts. Since Kaymer failed to meet the 15-event minimum, he is not eligible for TOUR membership for the entire 2015-16 season and will be held to the 12-event maximum placed on non-members. Kaymer will also be ineligible for the FedExCup. After that one year of sitting out as a member, Kaymer will be able to come back and continue as a member in 2016-17 under his multi-year exemption.

### **Scott Brown**

During today's final round of the Wyndham Championship, Scott Brown aced the third hole with an 8-iron from 162 yards. As the Official Mortgage Sponsor of the PGA TOUR, Quicken Loans will award one year's worth of mortgage payments to Albert Jellison from Port Charlotte, FL 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.

The ace was the second of Scott's PGA TOUR career (R1, 2014 Colonial National Invitation Tournament, No. 13).

Brown's ace was the eighth at the Wyndham Championship (since the event moved back to Sedgefield in 2008).

Brown at the Wyndham Championship: MC/2012, MC/2014, T3/2015.

Brown entered the week at No. 99 in the FedExCup standings and moves to No. 71 with his third-place effort.

#### **Miscellaneous Notes**

This year's Wyndham Championship marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Sam Snead winning his eighth and final Greensboro title at the age of 52 years, 10 months and 8 days. His is still the oldest winner in TOUR history.

Eight past champions of the Wyndham Championship were in the field this week: Camilo Villegas/2014 (T26), Webb Simpson/ 2011 (T6), Arjun Atwal/2010 (MC), Ryan Moore/2009 (T10), Carl Pettersson/2008 (T6), Brandt Snedeker/2007 (T43), Davis Love III/2006, 1992 (Won), and K.J. Choi/2005 (T63).

### Bogey-free rounds:

R1: William McGirt (62), Erik Compton (62), Tom Hoge (62), Morgan Hoffmann (63), Jim Herman (63), Derek Ernst (63), Carl Pettersson (64), Hideki Matsuyama (65), Chad Campbell (65), Sam Saunders (65), Bryce Molder (66), Gonzalo Fdez-Castano (66), Spencer Levin (66), Arjun Atwal (67), Colt Knost (67), Brooks Koepka (67), Charl Schwartzel (67), Bill Lunde (67), Greg Chalmers (67), Byron Smith (67), Steve Wheatcroft (67), Johnson Wagner (68). R2: Brandt Snedeker (61), John Huh (65), Nick Watney (65), Ben Curtis (66), Luke Donald (67), Carl Pettersson (67).

R3: Byeong-Hun An (67), Ben Martin (67), Vaughn Taylor (67), Justin Thomas (66).

R4: Cameron Smith (65), Vijay Singh (66), Derek Ernst (68)

Scoring Averages at the par-70 Sedgefield Country Club:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1	33.714	34.818	68.532	
R2	34.427	34.985	69.412	68.991
R3	34.015	34.406	68.421	68.887
R4	34.058	34.812	68.870	68.858