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## 2016 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am Media Notes

**Dates:** February 8-14, 2016  
**Where:** Pebble Beach Golf Links (Host) Par (Yards): 36-36—72 (6,816)  
Spyglass Hill Golf Course Par (Yards): 36-36—72 (6,953)  
Monterey Peninsula CC, Shore Course Par (Yards): 34-37—71 (6,914)  
**Field:** 156  
**Format:** 72-hole stroke play  
**FedExCup points:** 500 to the winner  
**Purse:** \$7,000,000 (\$1,260,000)  
**Defending Champion:** Brandt Snedeker  
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### 31<sup>st</sup> year as title sponsor for AT&T

AT&T enters its 31<sup>st</sup> year as title sponsor of the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am in 2016, having served as title sponsor since 1986. The only event with a longer-running sponsorship is The Honda Classic, with Honda having been the title sponsor since 1982.

### This week in FedExCup history

The AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am has played a significant role in the FedExCup, the PGA TOUR's season-long competition now in its 10<sup>th</sup> year. In 2010, Dustin Johnson won his second consecutive AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am title and moved to No. 1 in the FedExCup standings for the first time in his career. He would hold the No. 1 spot for four consecutive weeks and finish the season fifth in the FedExCup standings. Johnson has qualified for the season-ending TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola seven consecutive years dating back to 2009.

### A look back at the 2015 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am

With a final-round 5-under 67, Brandt Snedeker prevailed by three strokes over runner-up Nick Watney to win the 2015 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. His 22-under 265 winning score supplanted the previous 72-hole record of 19-under 267 that he set in 2013. With his win, Snedeker extended the stretch of American-born players to win the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am to 11 years. The last international winner of the event was Vijay Singh in 2004.

Here's a look at Snedeker's eight PGA TOUR victories: 2007 Wyndham Championship, 2011 RBC Heritage, 1212 Farmers Insurance Open, 2012 TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola, 2013 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, 2013 RBC Canadian Open, 2015 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, 2016 Farmers Insurance Open.

### 2015 Final Professional Leaderboard

Brandt Snedeker	64-67-67-67—265 (-22)
Nick Watney	65-69-65-69—268 (-19)
Charlie Beljan	70-63-70-66—269 (-18)

### 2015 Final Pro-Am Leaderboard

Pat Perez/Michael Lund	42-under 245
Brandt Snedeker/Toby S. Wilt	40-under 247

### More on Brandt Snedeker's win in 2015

- Earned seventh career PGA TOUR win at age of 34 years, 2 months, 7 days in his 221<sup>st</sup> career TOUR start.
- Will seek to become the first repeat winner of the event since Dustin Johnson (2009-10).

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- Lone bogey of the week came at the par-4 third hole at Pebble Beach in round three.
- Three-stroke win was the largest margin of victory at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am since Dustin Johnson won by four strokes in 2009 (rain-shortened to 54 holes).
- With his win, became the Web.com Tour's 400<sup>th</sup> graduate to find victory on the PGA TOUR.
- Won in his eighth start at the event. Aside from his 2013 and 2015 wins, his highest finish is T21 in 2010.
- Became the fourth winner in the last five years to have emerged after playing Pebble Beach in rounds three and four. In 2014, Jimmy Walker played Monterey Peninsula Country Club in round three.
- With the win, became the seventh player since 2000 to come from behind in the final round to win the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. The last to do so was Phil Mickelson in 2012.

#### A glance at the field

- Eight out of the top 15 in the FedExCup standings: Brandt Snedeker (2), Russell Knox (3), Kevin Na (4), Jason Dufner (9), Emiliano Grillo (11), Jason Bohn (12), Jordan Spieth (13), David Lingmerth (15).
- Six players in the top 10 in the Official World Golf Ranking: Jordan Spieth (1), Jason Day (3), Bubba Watson (6), Justin Rose (7), Dustin Johnson (8), Patrick Reed (9).
- Five winners during the 2015-16 season: Russell Knox (WGC-HSBC Champions), Peter Malnati (Sanderson Farms Championship), Jordan Spieth (Hyundai Tournament of Champions), Jason Dufner (Career Builder Challenge), Brandt Snedeker (Farmers Insurance Open).
- Former AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am champions: Brandt Snedeker (2013, 2015), Jimmy Walker (2014), Phil Mickelson (1998, 2005, 2007, 2012), D.A. Points (2011), Dustin Johnson (2009, 2010), Vijay Singh (2004), Davis Love III (2001, 2003).
- Players with at least nine TOUR wins: Phil Mickelson (42), Vijay Singh (34), Davis Love III (21), David Duval (13), David Toms (13), Steve Stricker (12), Dustin Johnson (9).
- Fifteen Major Championship winners, including multiple winners Phil Mickelson (5), Pádraig Harrington (3), Vijay Singh (3), Jordan Spieth (2), Bubba Watson (2).

#### Additional player notes

- AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am defending champion Brandt Snedeker won the Farmers Insurance Open two weeks ago with a final-round 69 on a day the stroke average for the field was 77.901. The six-stroke comeback was the second time Snedeker had overcome such a deficit in the final round to win the Farmers Insurance Open (2012). With the victory, the 2013 FedExCup champion moved to second in the FedExCup standings and 12<sup>th</sup> in the Official World Golf Ranking (he's now 14<sup>th</sup> in OWGR).
- After missing the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am for the first time in 19 years last year, Phil Mickelson returns in search of his fifth title on the Monterey Peninsula.
- Two-time AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am winner Dustin Johnson owns six top-10 finishes in eight starts at the event (T7-2008, Won-2009, Won-2010, T5-2012, T2-2014, T4-2015). Has won at least one time in each of the last eight seasons (2008-15), the best streak on TOUR.
- World No. 1 and 2015 FedExCup champion Jordan Spieth will make his fourth start at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, with top-10 finishes in his last two starts (T22-2013, T4-2014, T7-2015).
- Jason Day owns three sixth-place finishes or better in six starts at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am (6<sup>th</sup>-2008, T14-2009, T46-2010, 6<sup>th</sup>-2013, T64-2014, T4-2015).
- Several local favorites, including five-time TOUR winner and former Fresno State standout Nick Watney, who will make his 13<sup>th</sup> start at the event, with a runner-up finish in 2015, T6 in 2011 and T7 in 2006 his best outings.
- Ryder Cup captain Davis Love III will be making his 30<sup>th</sup> start (29 official) at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, with victories in 2001 and 2003.

#### Schedule of Pre-Tournament Events

Tuesday, February 9

1:30 p.m. – Chevron Shoot-Out

(Featuring four current or former San Francisco Giants and 49ers on Nos. 1, 2, 3, 17, 18)

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Wednesday, February 10

11:00 a.m. – 3M Celebrity Challenge

(Featuring top celebrities playing for the charity of their choice on Nos. 1, 2, 3, 17, 18)

3:00 p.m. – Million Dollar Hole-in-One for Charity presented by Facebook

(Featuring top celebrities playing for charity on No. 7)

### The Celebrities

- Chris Berman – Sportscaster, ESPN
- Carson Daly – Television host, Radio Personality
- Josh Donaldson – Professional Baseball, Toronto Blue Jays
- Tom Dreesen – Comedian
- Josh Duhamel – Actor
- Larry Fitzgerald – Professional Football, Arizona Cardinals
- Colt Ford – Musician
- Kenny G – Saxophonist, Entertainer
- Andy Garcia – Actor/Director
- Larry the Cable Guy – Actor/Comedian
- Wayne Gretzky – Former Professional Hockey
- Jim Harbaugh – Head Football Coach, University of Michigan
- Toby Keith – Country Music singer
- Thomas Keller – Chef
- Huey Lewis – Musician
- Gary Mule Deer – Comedian
- Kunal Nayyar - Actor
- Chris O'Donnell – Actor
- Jake Owen – Musician
- Alfonso Ribeiro - Actor
- Aaron Rodgers – Professional Football, Green Bay Packers
- Ray Romano – Actor/Comedian
- Joe Don Rooney – Musician, Rascal Flatts
- Kelly Slater – Professional Surfer
- Alex Smith – Professional Football, Kansas City Chiefs
- Justin Timberlake – Entertainer
- Mark Wahlberg - Actor
- Clay Walker – Musician
- Steve Young – Former Professional Football Player

### Worth noting

- When Dustin Johnson won the 2009 and 2010 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am titles, he became the first player in 20 years to win the event in consecutive years. The others: Sam Snead (1937, 1938); Cary Middlecoff (1955, 1956); Jack Nicklaus (1972, 1973); Tom Watson (1977, 1978); Mark O'Meara (1989, 1990).
- 2013 and 2015 champion Brandt Snedeker holds the two-lowest 72-hole scoring records a 22-under 265 winning total in 2015 and a 72-hole total of 267 in 2013. The previous mark of 268 was set by Mark O'Meara (1997) and later matched by Phil Mickelson (2007).
- In 2013, Snedeker also won the Pro-Am portion of the event (paired with fellow Vanderbilt alum Toby S. Wilt, marking just the ninth time in tournament history that a player has won the individual and pro-am team title in the same year and the first since 2011 (D.A. Points and Bill Murray).
- Since 1987, just five champions have also won the Pro-Am portion of the event: 2006-Arron Oberholser, 2007-Phil Mickelson, 2009-Dustin Johnson (T1, 54-hole event), 2011-D.A. Points, 2013-Brandt Snedeker.

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- Nine 72-hole winners (eight players) of the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am held at least a share of the lead for all four rounds – Dustin Johnson (2010), Phil Mickelson (2005 and 2007), Tom Shaw (1970) Bert Yancey (1970), Lloyd Mangrum (1953), Jimmy Demaret (1952), Lloyd Mangrum (1948) and Ed Oliver (1940).
- Six players since 1970 earned their first win at this event: John Cook (1981), Steve Jones (1988), Brett Ogle (1993), Matt Gogel (2002), Arron Oberholser (2006), D.A. Points (2011).

### PGA TOUR Storylines – 2015-16

- The AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am marks the 13<sup>th</sup> official event of the PGA TOUR’s 2015-16 wrap-around season. The 10<sup>th</sup> year of the FedExCup competition consists of 47 events including four FedExCup Playoff events.
- Continuing a trend from the 2014-15 season that saw a TOUR-record 24 victories by players under the age of 30, six of the 12 winners so far this season have also been in their 20s.
  - Emiliano Grillo won the season-opening event at the Frys.com Open at the age of 23, making it his second pro victory in a row, as he also captured the Web.com Tour Championship at Dye’s Valley at TPC Sawgrass in the start before. He is the first player to win in his first start as an official PGA TOUR member since Russell Henley at the 2013 Sony Open in Hawaii.
  - Smylie Kaufman became the second rookie to win to start the season the very next week at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, winning at the age of 23.
  - Justin Thomas, 22, captured the CIMB Classic in Malaysia for his first TOUR win in his sophomore season.
  - Peter Malnati, another recent Web.com Tour graduate, added to the tally of under-30, first-time winners in 2015-16, winning the Sanderson Farms Championship at the age of 28.
  - World No. 1 Jordan Spieth, 22, picked up right where he left off at the Hyundai Tournament of Champions, winning at Kapalua by eight strokes over defending champion Patrick Reed.
  - Twenty-three year-old Hideki Matsuyama outlasted Rickie Fowler in a four-hole playoff to win the Waste Management Phoenix Open, his second TOUR victory (2014 Memorial Tournament).
- While players in their 20s won four of the first five events, five of the last seven winners have been in their 30s, with Jordan Spieth’s win in Maui and Hideki Matsuyama’s win in Scottsdale the exceptions. Here’s the list:

Tournament	Winner	Age won
Frys.com Open	Emiliano Grillo	23 years, 1 month, 4 days
Shriners Hospitals for Children Open	Smylie Kaufman	23 years, 10 months, 25 days
CIMB Classic	Justin Thomas	22 years, 6 months, 3 days
WGC-HSBC Champions	Russell Knox	30 years, 4 months, 18 days
Sanderson Farms Championship	Peter Malnati	28 years 4 months, 27 days
OHL Classic at Mayakoba	Graeme McDowell	36 years, 3 months, 17 days
The RSM Classic	Kevin Kisner	31 years, 9 months, 7 days
Hyundai Tournament of Champions	Jordan Spieth	22 years, 5 months, 14 days
Sony Open in Hawaii	Fabian Gomez	37 years, 1 month, 21 days
CareerBuilder Challenge	Jason Dufner	38 years, 10 months
Farmers Insurance Open	Brandt Snedeker	35 years, 1 month, 24 days
Waste Management Phoenix Open	Hideki Matsuyama	23 years, 11 months, 13 days

### 2014-15 PGA TOUR year in review

- Thanks to five wins on the season, including the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola, 22-year-old Jordan Spieth became the youngest winner of the FedExCup (22 years, 2 months). He also became the youngest player to win five times in a season since Horton Smith in 1929. Spieth was voted PGA TOUR Player of the Year by his peers, joining on Tiger Woods and Rory McIlroy as those who’ve earned the distinction while in their 20s.
- With five victories in the 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season, including the PGA Championship, The Barclays and BMW Championship, Australia’s Jason Day gave Jordan Spieth serious contention for PGA TOUR Player of the Year honors. Beginning at the U.S. Open, Day played his last 36 competitive rounds of golf with 33 at par-or-better and 28 in the 60s. In that span of time, he combined for a total of 103-under-par.
- Rory McIlroy, winner of the World Golf Championships-Dell Match Play Championship and Wells Fargo Championship this past season, held the world’s No. 1 ranking, before ending the season ranked third.
- Daniel Berger, with six top 10s, including a pair of runner-up finishes, was voted PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year.
- 24 players under the age of 30 won PGA TOUR events in 2014-15 (47 events), the most on TOUR since 1970.

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