



2016 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am
(The 13th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Pebble Beach, Calif.	Feb. 11-14, 2016	Purse: \$7,000,000 (\$1,260,000/500 FedExCup pts)
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 Country Club, Shore Course		Par/Yards: 34-37—71/6,914

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, February 13, 2016

Weather: Partly cloudy with a high of 63 degrees. Wind WNW 10-15 mph, gusting to 20 mph.

Due to fog, the start of round three was delayed 30 minutes. This marks the seventh event of the 2015-16 PGA TOUR season to be impacted by weather.

Third-Round Leaderboard

Phil Mickelson (PB)	68-65-66—199 (-16)
Hiroshi Iwata (SH)	66-66-69—201 (-14)
Freddie Jacobson (MP)	65-69-68—202 (-13)
Sung Kang (PB)	72-60-70—202 (-13)

Team Leaderboard

Andres Romero/Sean Kell	23-under
David Hearn/David Dube	23-under
Freddie Jacobson/Bill Rhodes	23-under

A total of 80 players (low 70 and ties) out of 156 professionals made the 54-hole cut at even-par 215, with 69 players (low 60s and ties) at 1-under 214 or better participating during the final round. The cut rule is top 70 and ties get paid and receive FedExCup points but only the top 60 and ties play on Sunday.

The top 25 Pro-Am teams (no ties) following Saturday’s third round made the cut to play on Sunday. The tiebreaker, if necessary, was as follows:

- 54-hole score of the professional
- The 18-hole net score of the team from the round played at Pebble Beach Golf Links
- The net team score from the 18th hole backwards during the round played at Pebble Beach Golf Links

Phil Mickelson (6-under 66, PB)

One day after tying his best career round at Monterey Peninsula Country Club with a 6-under 65 on Friday (matching his score from round two in 2012), Phil Mickelson carded a bogey-free 6-under 66 Saturday at Pebble Beach to move to 16-under 199 and a two-stroke lead over Hiroshi Iwata.

A win on Sunday would come in Mickelson’s 530th official PGA TOUR start at the age of 45 years, 7 months and 29 days. The last player 40 or above to win on TOUR was Davis Love III, who won the 2015 Wyndham Championship at the age of 51 years, 4 months and 10 days.

Mickelson, a 42-time winner on the PGA TOUR and member of the World Golf Hall of Fame, is in search of his first TOUR win since the 2013 Open Championship. Since joining the TOUR in 1992, he had never previously endured consecutive, winless seasons.

Mickelson owns 13 career PGA TOUR wins in California.

When Mickelson won the 2012 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, he moved to second all-time with four victories at the event, trailing only Mark O’Meara (5). Players with three wins include Jack Nicklaus and Johnny Miller.

Mickelson is the leader among active players with PGA TOUR victories at multiple-course events with 13, followed by Tiger Woods (12). Here’s a breakdown of Mickelson’s multiple-course wins: 4—AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am; 3—Chrysler Classic of Tucson; 3—Farmers Insurance Open; 2—CareerBuilder Challenge; 1—AT&T Byron Nelson.

ALL-TIME PGA TOUR WINS

Rank	Player	Wins
1	Sam Snead	82
2	Tiger Woods	79
3	Jack Nicklaus	73
4	Ben Hogan	64
5	Arnold Palmer	62
6	Byron Nelson	52
7	Billy Casper	51
8	Walter Hagen	45
9	Phil Mickelson	42
10	Cary Middlecoff	39
	Tom Watson	39

Mickelson will carry the lead into the final round for the first time since the 2013 U.S. Open at Merion. He went on to record a 4-over 74 at that event to finish T2 for a record six runner-up finishes at the event.

Since 2012, Mickelson is one of five in converting the 54-hole lead/co-lead into victory: finishing T2 at the 2012 Northern Trust Open, T2 at the 2012 BMW Championship, winning the 2013 Waste Management Phoenix Open, finishing third at the 2013 Wells Fargo Championship and finishing T2 at the 2013 U.S. Open.

Mickelson took advantage of a hot putter in round three, requiring just 21 putts and leading all players who played Pebble Beach Golf Links in Strokes Gained: Putting at 4.451. Overall, Mickelson leads the field this week in putts per round at 24.33 and has one-putted 61.11% of holes played, tops among all players this week.

Mickelson's putting has allowed him to get up-and-down 17 of 20 times this week, third best in the field behind Luke Donald and Sung Kang.

Third-Round Leader Notes

Since 2000, the third-round leader/co-leader of the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am has held on for the win nine of 16 times, with Jimmy Walker in 2014 the last to do so.

Through 12 events so far this season on the PGA TOUR, five players have been able to take a 54-hole lead/co-lead into the winner's circle, most recently Jason Dufner at the CareerBuilder Challenge.

Four out of the last five winners of the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am have emerged after playing Pebble Beach in rounds three and four. The exception during that time was 2014 champion, Jimmy Walker, who played Monterey Peninsula Country Club in round three.

Hiroshi Iwata (3-under par 69, SH)

Japan's Hiroshi Iwata, who shared the second-round lead with Sung Kang following a second-round 6-under 66 at Pebble Beach Golf Links, followed with a 3-under 69 Saturday at Spyglass Hill to move to 14-under 201 through three rounds of the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. He trails Phil Mickelson by two strokes.

Iwata's putts per round: R1 (28), R2 (22), R3 (24).

Iwata, a two-time Japan Golf tour winner, leads the field this week in putting average, requiring just 1.5 putts per GIR. This marks a dramatic improvement from the rest of his 2015-16 PGA TOUR season, where he ranks T149 in the statistic.

Iwata also leads the field this week in birdie average (6.33), total birdies (19) and par breakers (20). On the season, Iwata ranks 173rd in the statistic.

The PGA TOUR rookie earned his card thanks to a 24th place finish in the Web.com Tour Priority Ranking last season.

Iwata's second-place position through three rounds equals his best position through 54 holes in a PGA TOUR start. At the 2014 WGC-HSBC Champions, he was second through three rounds and went on to record a final-round even-par 72 to finish T3.

Freddie Jacobson (3-under 68, MP)

Freddie Jacobson fired a 3-under 68 at Monterey Peninsula Country Club to sit T3 overall heading into Sunday. Jacobson carded six birdies and three bogeys on the day, requiring just 26 putts.

Jacobson started the season on a Major Medical Extension (Family Crisis clause) as his 2014-15 season was limited to 14 starts due to the diagnosis and subsequent open-heart surgery for his 7-year-old son Max last August 3. With two top-10s in seven starts (5th at RSM Classic, T4 at Farmers Insurance Open), the 2011 Travelers Championship winner sits 29th in the FedExCup standings and has successfully regained his top 125 status with \$653,686 and 321 FedExCup points to date.

Jacobson has done much of his damage on the par-3s this week, with a scoring average of 2.62, tied for the week's lead with Hiroshi Iwata and Phil Mickelson.

Jacobson has outplayed the field scoring average across his three rounds by a total of 4.94 strokes, second to Phil Mickelson for the week.

Sung Kang (2-under 70, PB)

28-year old Sung Kang of South Korea followed up a second-round, tournament-record 11-under 60 with a 2-under 70 Saturday at Pebble Beach to fall into a tie for third place with Freddie Jacobson, three behind Phil Mickelson.

With his round of 60 Friday, Kang set the new course record at Monterey Peninsula Country Club and the new lowest round at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro Am, both previously held by Charlie Wi with a 9-under 61 in 2012 (the course changed from par-70 to par-71 in 2014).

Kang is making his 58th start on the PGA TOUR and his seventh of the 2015-16 season, currently ranking 178th in FedExCup points. His best finish on TOUR is a tie for third at the 2011 Children's Miracle Network Classic.

Kang finished 43rd in the 2015 Web.com Tour priority ranking to return to the PGA TOUR for the first time since 2012, when he made 7 of 30 cuts and finished 182nd in FedExCup Points.

At the 2011 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Kang recorded an ace during round three on No. 12 at Pebble Beach.

Miscellaneous Notes

Three players inside the top 10 are searching for their first TOUR win – Hiroshi Iwata (2), Sung Kang (T3), Roberto Castro (T5). There have been just six players since 1970 to earn his first win at this event, joining John Cook (1981), Steve Jones (1988), Brett Ogle (1993), Matt Gogel (2002), Arron Oberholser (2006) and D.A. Points (2011).

The last player to make the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am their first PGA TOUR win was D.A. Points in 2011. Just six players since 1970 have made the event their first win: John Cook (1981), Steve Jones (1988), Brett Ogle (1993), Matt Gogel (2002), Arron Oberholser (2006) and D.A. Points (2011).

World No. 1 and reigning FedExCup champion Jordan Spieth will enter the final round at T54, a distant 15 strokes behind tournament-leader Phil Mickelson. He is making his fourth career start at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, having finished in the top 10 each of the last two years.

Jason Day, winner of five events last year, fired a 4-under 68 Saturday at Pebble Beach to move from T13 to T8 (six strokes behind Phil Mickelson). He missed the cut in his title defense two weeks ago at the Farmers Insurance Open, where he was under the weather most of the week and was forced to withdraw from the Wednesday Pro-Am. Day finished T4 at the 2015 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

Defending champion Brandt Snedeker, currently second in the FedExCup standings, will enter the final round T46 at 2-under 213. The last player to successfully defend their title here was Dustin Johnson (2009-10).

Bogey-free rounds:

R1 – Cameron Smith (64, MP), Bronson Burgoon (64, MP), Freddie Jacobson (65, PB), Ricky Barnes (65, MP), Roberto Castro (66, PB), Spencer Levin (66, PB), Rhein Gibson (67, SH), Troy Merritt (67, MP), Bud Cauley (68, SH), Jonas Blixt (68, MP), Billy Hurley (68, MP), Andres Gonzales (69, SH), Bill Haas (69, SH)
R2 – Sung Kang (60, MP), Mark Hubbard (66, SH), Stewart Cink (68, SH), Bill Haas (68, MP), Jordan Spieth (69, MP), Bubba Watson (68, MP), Derek Fathauer (67, SH), Jon Curran (70, SH), Tyrone Van Aswegen (69, PB)
R3 – Phil Mickelson (66, PB), Jonas Blixt (67, SH), Luke Donald (69, PB), Matt Jones (67, MP), Jason Kokrak (67, SH)

R3 Scoring Averages:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
PB	36.250	36.654	72.904	72.654
SH	37.308	35.534	72.846	72.506
MP	35.173	36.808	71.981	70.699