



2016 Northern Trust Open

(14th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Pacific Palisades, CA
Riviera Country Club

February 18-21, 2016

Purse: \$6,800,000 (\$1,224,000)
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,349

Second-Round Notes – Friday, February 19, 2016

Weather: First-round play was suspended at 5:46 p.m. due to darkness with 14 players yet to finish their round. Those players returned to complete the opening round at 7:30 a.m. PT and the round was completed at 8:12 a.m.

Friday – Mostly sunny and reasonably cool weather with temperatures moving into the mid-60s. Winds were light and out of the west-southwest at 6-12 mph.

First-Round Leaderboard

Jason Kokrak	68-64—132 (-10)
Chez Reavie	66-67—133 (-9)
Dustin Johnson	68-66—134 (-8)
Troy Merritt	68-66—134 (-8)
Bubba Watson	66-68—134 (-8)
Marc Leishman	68-67—135 (-7)

8 players tied at 6-under

Jason Kokrak – With rounds of 67-64, Jason Kokrak holds a one-shot lead in his fifth appearance at the Northern Trust Open. The 64 is Kokrak's lowest second round in his PGA TOUR career. Kokrak shot 63 at the 2013 Career Builder Challenge presented by the Clinton Foundation (1st round) and 64 at the 2015 Sony Open in Hawaii (3rd round) and 2015 Sanderson Farms Championship (4th round). Kokrak hit 11 of 14 fairways off the tee on Friday, T2 in the field while averaging 290 yards.

This marks the first time in Kokrak's PGA TOUR career that he has held a 36-hole lead. Kokrak's best career finish in 110 previous events is T2 at the 2012 Frys.Com Open. He has three top-25 finishes in nine events thus far in the 2015-16 season.

In 15 career rounds at Riviera Country Club, this is the first time that Kokrak has shot back-to-back rounds in the 60s. His best previous finish at the Northern Trust Open is a T34 in 2012.

Kokrak won twice in 2011 on the Web.Com Tour at the Albertsons Boise Open and the Miccosukee Championship.

Key statistics	Round 1	Round 2	Cumulative
Driving Accuracy	6 of 14	11 of 14	17 of 28
Driving Distance	288.9	316.7	302.8
Greens in Regulation	13 of 18	16 of 18	29 of 36
Putts	29	29	58

Chez Reavie - Chez Reavie followed a bogey-free opening-round 5-under-par with a second-round 67 and is one shot off Jason Kokrak's lead. The 2008 RBC Canadian Open winner, Reavie returned to the PGA TOUR in 2015-16 after winning the Small Business Connection at River Run during the 2015 Web.com Tour Finals where he was the leading money-winner over the four events. Reavie played in 19 events last year on the PGA TOUR on a medical extension due to a wrist injury that required surgery in 2014 and limited him to just two events during the 2013-14 season.

Reavie, 70th in the FedExCup standings, is playing in his ninth event of the 2015-16 PGA TOUR Season. His best finish to date is T17 at both the Frys.com Open and CareerBuilder Challenge presented by the Clinton Foundation. This is Reavie's sixth career start at the Northern Trust Open. In five previous attempts he has four missed cuts and a 78th-place finish.

Reavie's standing alone in 2nd through 36 holes is his lowest after two rounds since the 2011 John Deere Classic.

Dustin Johnson - In his ninth appearance at the Northern Trust Open, Johnson's 5-under 66 marks his best second-round performance at The Riviera Country Club. His previous-best second round was 67 in 2010. That same year Johnson held the 36-hole lead (64-67), his first ever 36-hole lead on TOUR, and went on to finish T3.

Through 36-holes Johnson has hit 16 of 28 fairways and 28 of 36 greens in regulation. He has taken 57 putts.

Johnson is a nine-time PGA TOUR winner. He has at least one victory in each of his last eight seasons on TOUR - the longest current streak on TOUR.

PGA TOUR VICTORIES

2008 Turning Stone Resort Championship

2009 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am

2010 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, BMW Championship

2011 The Barclays

2012 FedEx St. Jude Classic

2013 Hyundai Tournament of Champions

2013 World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions (part of the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season)

2015 World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship.

Johnson has an impressive record at the Northern Trust Open with five top-10 finishes in eight starts, including consecutive runner-up finishes the past two years. Five players in the history of the Northern Trust Open have recorded runner-up finishes in back-to-back years but none finished better than T18 the next year.

Johnson is joined by Tiger Woods and Fred Couples as the only players in the last 60 years to post consecutive runner-up finishes at the Northern Trust Open.

Player	Back-to-back years as runner-up	Result the next year
Dustin Johnson	2014 & 2015	TBD
Tiger Woods	1998 & 1999	T18 in 2000
Fred Couples	1993 & 1994	T19 in 1995
Jack Burke, Jr.	1952 & 1953	T18 in 1954
Willie Hunter	1933 & 1934	T20 in 1935
Leo Diegel	1932 & 1933	DNP

Bubba Watson –Bubba Watson opened with consecutive rounds in the 60s (66-68) for the first time in his 10th playing in the Northern Trust Open at The Riviera Country Club. The 2014 champion is 8-under-par and two shots off the lead.

In 2014, Watson shot matching weekend rounds of 64 and went bogey-free to win by two shots over Dustin Johnson. Watson came from four shots back on the final day to claim the victory. Watson (70-71-64-64) was the only player in the field to go bogey-free on the weekend at The Riviera Country Club. The win was the fifth of Watson's PGA TOUR career at the time. He finished T14 in his title defense last year. He went on to capture his second Masters Tournament just two months later.

This is Watson's fifth start of the 2015-16 PGA TOUR season. His best finish (T10) came at the Hyundai Tournament of Champions. He won the Hero World Challenge, not an official TOUR event, in December.

Watson won twice last season at the World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions and the Travelers Championship while finishing 5th in the FedExCup for the second consecutive year.

Multiple winners of the Northern Trust Open

Four-Time Winners: MacDonald Smith (1928, 1929, 1932, 1934), Lloyd Mangrum (1949, 1951, 1953, 1956)

Three-Time Winners: Ben Hogan (1942, 1947, 1948), Arnold Palmer (1963, 1966, 1967)

Two-Time Winners: Harry Cooper (1926, 1937), Sam Snead (1945, 1950), Paul Harney (1964, 1965), Billy Casper (1968, 1970), Gil Morgan (1978, 1983), Lanny Wadkins (1979, 1985), Tom Watson (1980, 1982), Fred Couples (1990, 1992), Corey Pavin (1994, 1995), Mike Weir (2003, 2004), Phil Mickelson (2008, 2009)

Marc Leishman - After a 3-under 68 in the opening round Leishman began the second round with a bogey at the short par-4 10th hole. He birdied 15, posted an eagle at No. 1 and closed the round with two birdies in his last three holes (7 and 9).

In his seventh appearance at the Northern Trust Open, this marks the first time Leishman has begun the tournament with two sub-70 rounds (68-67). He has made four cuts in six starts at the Northern Trust Open with a T15 in 2010 his best result. His final-round 65 in 2010, the first year he played this event, is his low round at The Riviera Country Club.

With his 68-67 start at the Northern Trust Open, Leishman has now recorded 19 rounds in the 2015-16 PGA TOUR season with just one over-par round – 74 (+2) in the first round of the Farmers Insurance Open. His best finish this season is T11 at the World Golf Championships–HSBC Champions.

Troy Merritt - Troy Merritt fired a second-round bogey-free 66 and is 8-under par through two rounds of the Northern Trust Open. The 30-year-old has two top 25s so far during the 2015-16 season, but has missed his last four cuts coming into the week. This is just the third start at the Northern Trust Open for Merritt, who missed the cut in the event last year and finished 76th in 2011. Merritt has only held one lead through 36 holes in his PGA TOUR, at last season's RBC Heritage, where he finished third. In his only PGA TOUR victory at last season's Quicken Loans National, Merritt was T35 through two rounds.

Rory McIlroy, Adam Scott, Charl Schwartzel and Justin Leonard are four of the eight players at T7 at 6-under-par. McIlroy is playing at The Riviera Country Club for the first time in his career. This is McIlroy's third start of the 2015-16 season after finishing T26 at the Frys.Com Open and T11 at the World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions despite battling food poisoning.

Schwartzel shot a 3-under 68 despite having a triple bogey and a double bogey during his round. Since 1983, he is the fifth player to shoot 68 or better with a triple and double bogey on his scorecard.

Year	Tournament	Player	Round	Score
2016	Northern Trust Open	Schwartzel, Charl	2	68
2002	Valero Texas Open	Smith, Chris	2	67
2001	Air Canada Championship	Lowery, Steve	3	68
2001	Bob Hope Chrysler Classic	Jimenez, Miguel Angel	1	68
2000	Canon Greater Hartford Open	Waite, Grant	1	68

Charlie Danielson – Amateur Charlie Danielson, a senior at the University of Illinois, made the cut at 3-under-par with opening scores of 67-72 and is T28 through 36 holes.

Danielson shot a bogey-free 3-under 68 as part of Monday's Northern Trust Open Collegiate Showcase presented by Sands Cares, the low score of the 14 collegians in the field, earning him an exemption into the tournament.

In just the second iteration of the Northern Trust Open Collegiate Showcase presented by Sands Cares, top PGA TOUR pros played alongside 14 standout collegiate golfers from across the country and two amateurs, representing their respective universities. The professional and the two amateurs (not the collegian) teamed up in a best-ball competition and competed for the Collegiate Showcase Trophy and a donation of \$50,000 to the university's golf program. That portion of the competition was won by the University of Texas, represented by PGA TOUR player Jordan Spieth, with a score of 10-under 61.

Danielson, playing with former University of Illinois star Scott Langley on Monday, finished three strokes ahead of Will Zalatoris from Wake Forest, last year's winner of the Northern Trust Open Collegiate Showcase presented by Sands Cares, and Jonathan Garrick from UCLA and will be making his first start in a PGA TOUR event.

Additional notes:

Jason Gore withdrew with a back injury during the second round.

Brendon de Jonge took a four-stroke penalty for playing two holes with a non-conforming club. de Jonge damaged the handle of his wedge following the completion of the opening round. He unknowingly played the first hole with the damaged club still in his bag. He noticed the damaged and bent handle of the lob wedge when he pulled it from the bag to use on the second hole. According to the rules of golf, a player can carry a non-conforming club in his bag, but he is subject to a two-shot penalty per hole, with a maximum of a four-stroke penalty. Had de Jonge used the club, he would have been disqualified.

Players and caddies wore black ribbon for the second consecutive day to honor Chris Roth, caddie for Patrick Cantlay, who was struck by a car and killed in Newport Beach last Saturday, February 13. Cantlay is not in the field at the Northern Trust Open.

Bogey-free rounds:

R1 – Chez Reavie (66), Luke List (66), Shawn Stefani (67), Ben Crane (67)

R2 – Troy Merritt (66), Bubba Watson (68), Jon Curran (67), Stuart Appleby (69)

Scoring Averages:

Round	Front 9	Back 9	Total
1	34.784	36.631	71.415
2	34.693	36.210	70.903
Cumulative	34.735	36.409	71.144