



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

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, February 20, 2016

Weather: Mostly sunny and pleasant with temperatures reaching the mid-60s. Wind was 4-8 mph from the W/SW.

Third Round Leaderboard

Bubba Watson	66-68-67--201 (-12)
Jason Kokrak	68-64-70--202 (-11)
Chez Reavie	66-67-69--202 (-11)
Dustin Johnson	68-66-68--202 (-11)
Kevin Chappell	68-69-66--203 (-10)
K.J. Choi	69-67-67--203 (-10)
Rory McIlroy	67-69-67--203 (-10)
Adam Scott	68-68-67--203 (-10)
Mark Leishman	68-67-68--203 (-10)
Hideki Matsuyama	69-67-68--204 (-9)
Troy Merritt	68-66-70--204 (-9)

Bubba Watson – 2014 champion Bubba Watson shot a 4-under 67 in the third round and holds a one-shot lead at 12-under, one shot clear of Jason Kokrak, Chez Reavie and Dustin Johnson.

This is the 10th time Watson has held at least a share of the 54-hole lead, going on to win two of his previous nine.

54-hole leads:

Tournament	Finish
2007 Shell Houston Open	T2
2008 Arnold Palmer Invitational	T8
2011 Zurich Classic of New Orleans	Win
2011 Deutsche Bank Championship	T16
2012 WGC-Cadillac Championship	2
2013 Travelers Championship	4
2014 Waste Management Phoenix Open	T2
2014 Masters Tournament	Win
2014 the Memorial Tournament	3
2016 Northern Trust Open	TBD

Through two rounds, Watson hit 9 total fairways, but hit 10 in the third round. Watson is No. 7 in driving distance. Dustin Johnson is No. 1, Rory McIlroy is No. 6 and Jason Kokrak is No. 8.

Key statistics	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Cumulative
Driving Accuracy	7 of 14	2 of 14	10 of 14	19 of 42
Driving Distance	300.1	286.4	295.9	294.1
Greens in Regulation	13 of 18	10 of 18	13 of 18	36 of 54
Putts	28	25	28	81

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)

Chez Reavie – Chez Reavie made an eagle on the short par-4 10th hole after driving it just 33 feet from the pin, short left of the green. He parlayed that eagle, the third of the week on the hole for the field, into a third-round 69. He is one shot behind leader Bubba Watson. Reavie was one shot back of Jason Kokrak's lead through two rounds, opening with a bogey-free 66 and following it up with a 67.

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.

This is Reavie's best position through 54 holes since he was T2 at the 2011 Deutsche Bank, where he finished second. His best position through 54 holes in his career was leading the 2008 RBC Canadian Open, which he parlayed into his only PGA TOUR victory.

Dustin Johnson – In his ninth appearance at the Northern Trust Open, Johnson sits at 11-under through three rounds, just one shot behind Bubba Watson's lead. Johnson shot a 5-under 66 in the second round, 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.

Five of Johnson's nine wins are come-from-behind victories, the most recent being his most recent win at last year's World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship.

Through 54-holes Johnson has hit 22 of 42 fairways and 41 of 54 greens in regulation. He has taken 86 putts.

Johnson is 30-under par in his last 11 rounds at the Northern Trust Open.

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

Jason Kokrak – With rounds of 67-64-70, Jason Kokrak is one shot off the lead heading into the final round at his fifth appearance at the Northern Trust Open. The T2 standing heading into the final round matches Kokrak's best PGA TOUR career standing through 54 holes. Kokrak was also T2 following the third round at the 2013 Frys.com Open where he finished T12.

Kokrak is playing in his fifth Northern Trust Open with his best previous finish (T34) in 2012.

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

Additional Player Notes

Rory McIlroy is playing at The Riviera Country Club for the first time in his career, and is his 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. His last win came in the Wells Fargo Championship last year by seven shots, where he held the 54-hole lead. McIlroy has 11 career victories, and is looking to join Tiger Woods and Jack Nicklaus as the only players since World War II to record 12 victories before turning 27. If he finishes in the top 8 this week tied with one other person or better, he will regain the No. 2 spot in the Official World Golf Ranking.

This is Marc Leishman's seventh appearance at the Northern Trust Open. He has made four cuts in six starts 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 68-67-68 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.

Adam Scott shot a bogey-free 67 in the third round of the Northern Trust Open, his fourth start of the season. His best performance so far in 2015-16 was a runner-up finish at the CIMB Classic in Malaysia last November.

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 shot a 2-over 73 in the third round and finds himself in a tie for 58th.

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:

During today's third round of the Northern Trust Open, Tyrone Van Aswegen aced the 16th hole with a 9-iron from 150 yards. As the Official Mortgage Sponsor of the PGA TOUR, Quicken Loans will award one year's worth of mortgage payments to Steve S. from Waukesha, Wis., to celebrate 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. Previous participants in the

Sweepstakes must re-register to be eligible in 2016. There have been 51 total winners since the Sweepstakes began in 2014, which equals 51 years' worth of mortgage payments.

Players and caddies wore black ribbon for the third 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)

R3 – Adam Scott (68), Padraig Harrington (66)

Scoring Averages:

Round	Front 9	Back 9	Total
1	34.784	36.631	71.415
2	34.693	36.210	70.903
3	34.704	35.155	69.857
Cumulative	34.727	36.145	70.872