



The Barclays 2016

(The 1st of 4 events in the FedExCup Playoffs)

Farmingdale, N.Y. August 25-28, 2016
Bethpage State Park (Black Course)

FedExCup Points: 2000 Purse: \$8,500,000
Par-Yards: 36-35—71/7,468

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Reigning FedExCup champion Jordan Spieth lies T16. Spieth is seeking to become the first player to successfully defend the FedExCup. Last year, Spieth missed the cut in the first two FedExCup Playoffs events, The Barclays and Deutsche Bank Championship, before winning the TOUR Championship on his way to claiming the FedExCup title.

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Miscellaneous Notes

Eight players have made The Barclays their first PGA TOUR win: Andy North (1977), Jack Renner (1979), Wayne Grady (1989), Vijay Singh (1993), JP Hayes (1998), Dennis Paulson (2000), Chris Smith (2002) and Jonathan Kaye (2003).

Bogey-free Rounds

R1: Patrick Reed (66), Martin Laird (66)
R2: Rickie Fowler (69), Patton Kizzire (69), Jamie Lovemark (66)
R3: Rickie Fowler (68), Tony Finau (67)

Scoring Averages at the par-71 Bethpage Black:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	35.635	36.496	70.882	
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In 2012, the cumulative scoring average for the week at Bethpage was 71.72.

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Defending The Barclays champion and FedExCup No. 1 Jason Day recorded a 1-under 70 in the third round to lie T6 and four back. Day is making his ninth start in The Barclays this week. In addition to his win in 2015, he finished inside the top 10 in 2014 (T2) and 2010 (T5). When the event was last contested at Bethpage in 2012, he finished T24. Through 36 holes that year, Day was 2-under 140, before a third-round, 6-over 77 erased any run at victory.

Kevin Streelman, No. 73 in the FedExCup standings, fired a 4-under 67 to move to T6 through 54 holes. Streelman, who has two top-10s this year (3/Farmers Insurance Open, T8/the Memorial Tournament), came into The Barclays off three consecutive missed cuts in his last three starts.

Dustin Johnson, No. 2 in the FedExCup standings, is the player with the most top-10 finishes this season (12) and is in good position to post another top-10 this week following a 4-under 67 to move to T10. He has 22 top-10 finishes in his last 38 PGA TOUR starts, a T2 at the RBC Canadian Open last month his most recent. This is

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Johnson's eighth appearance at The Barclays, an event he won in 2011. He has three additional top-10 finishes to go with his 2011 victory (T3/2012, T9/2015, T9/2010).

Reigning FedExCup champion Jordan Spieth lies T16. Spieth is seeking to become the first player to successfully defend the FedExCup. Last year, Spieth missed the cut in the first two FedExCup Playoffs events, The Barclays and Deutsche Bank Championship, before winning the TOUR Championship on his way to claiming the FedExCup title.

South Africa's Charl Schwartzel and Australia's Adam Scott are the only players to eagle the par-4 opening hole so far this week. Scott (65) holed a 95-yard pitch, while Schwartzel (67) holed out from 110 yards.

Billy Horschel, winner of the 2014 FedExCup trophy, played in the third round of The Barclays for the first time after missing the cut in his first three attempts. Horschel posted four birdies in five holes on the front nine but recorded three bogeys on the back to shoot 1-under 70 and lie T22.

Miscellaneous Notes

Eight players have made The Barclays their first PGA TOUR win: Andy North (1977), Jack Renner (1979), Wayne Grady (1989), Vijay Singh (1993), JP Hayes (1998), Dennis Paulson (2000), Chris Smith (2002) and Jonathan Kaye (2003).

Bogey-free Rounds

R1: Patrick Reed (66), Martin Laird (66)
R2: Rickie Fowler (69), Patton Kizzire (69), Jamie Lovemark (66)
R3: Rickie Fowler (68), Tony Finau (67)

Scoring Averages at the par-71 Bethpage Black:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	35.635	36.496	70.882	
R2:	35.803	35.761	71.564	71.845
R3:	35.987	35.785	71.772	71.829

In 2012, the cumulative scoring average for the week at Bethpage was 71.72.

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