



2017 RBC Canadian Open

(The 39th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Oakville, Ontario July 27 – 30, 2017 FedExCup Points: 500/winner Glen Abbey Golf Club Par/Yardage: 35-37—72/7,253 Purse: \$6,000,000 (\$1,080,000)

Final-Round Notes - Sunday, July 30, 2017

Weather: Mostly sunny skies, with a high of 86. Wind NW 10-15 mph.

Final-Round Leaderboard

 Jhonattan Vegas*
 66-69-67-65—267 (-21)

 Charley Hoffman
 68-66-65-68—267 (-21)

 Ian Poulter
 67-69-68-64—268 (-20)

 Gary Woodland
 70-63-68-68—269 (-19)

*defeated Charley Hoffman with a birdie at the first extra playoff hole.

Jhonattan Vegas

After defeating Charley Hoffman in a sudden-death playoff, Venezuela's Jhonattan Vegas successfully defended his RBC Canadian Open title to secure his third PGA TOUR title in his 156th start at the age of 32 years, 11 months and 11 days. He began the day three strokes back of solo third-round leader Hoffman.

On the first extra hole, the par-5 18th, Vegas and Hoffman both hit their tee shots into fairway bunkers. Vegas hit his second shot to the greenside rough and nearly chipped in, leaving himself with a 1'4" birdie putt. Hoffman laid up on his second shot and then hit his third shot from 111 yards into the greenside bunker. Hoffman's failure to hole the bunker shot secured the victory for Vegas.

With the win, Vegas collects 500 FedExCup points to move from 87th to 28th in the FedExCup standings with 973 points. He has advanced to the FedExCup Playoffs three times in his career, making it to the TOUR Championship for the first time last year. He ended his season No. 29 in the standings after a T24 finish at East Lake.

With the win, Vegas is projected to move from 17th to 10th in the Presidents Cup standings, with the top 10 players after the Dell Technologies Championship securing a spot on the team. The Presidents Cup will be played at Liberty National Golf Club the week after the TOUR Championship.

Sunday's playoff marked the first playoff at the RBC Canadian Open since Sean O'Hair defeated Kris Blanks on the first extra hole in 2011. There have been five playoffs on TOUR this season, most recently at Quicken Loans National, with Kyle Stanley defeating Charles Howell III on the first extra hole.

Vegas' 7-under 65 on Sunday was marked by birdies at Nos. 2, 5, 6, 7 and a 40'3" birdie putt on the par-4 9th to make the turn at 5-under 30. A back-nine 2-under 35—with birdies at Nos. 11, 13, and 16 and a lone bogey at the par-3 15th—completed the 65. Vegas made of total of 142 feet of putts on the day, needing 25 putts to complete the final round.

Vegas becomes the first repeat winner of the RBC Canadian Open since Jim Furyk (2006-07) and the fourth repeat winner on TOUR this season (Daniel Berger/2017 FedEx St. Jude Classic; Hideki Matsuyama/2017 Waste Management Phoenix Open; Justin Thomas/2016 CIMB Classic). Since its 1904 inception, only 17 players have won the RBC Canadian Open more than once, with six doing so in back-to-back seasons.

Vegas now becomes the fourth consecutive international winner of the RBC Canadian Open (Jason Day/2015; Tim Clark/2014).

Vegas is now 2-0 in playoffs. He defeated Gary Woodland and Bill Haas at the 2011 CareerBuilder Challenge for his first career PGA TOUR victory.

Vegas' 72-hole total score of 21-under par 267 at Glen Abbey is one stroke shy of the low 72-hole score at the course. Tiger Woods' shot a 22-under 266 at Glen Abbey in 2000 for a one-stroke victory.

Vegas entered this week on the heels of five consecutive missed cuts. In 23 starts this season, he has six top-25 and three top-10 finishes. His best finish prior to this win was a T4 at The Honda Classic in February.

Vegas tied Gary Woodland for total birdies made this week, with 27. Despite a field total of 71 eagles this week, Vegas failed to record a single eagle in any of his rounds.

Vegas' Statistics for the Week:

R1 at a glance: 8 of 14 fairways, 14 of 18 greens, 28 putts R2 at a glance: 6 of 14 fairways, 12 of 18 greens, 28 putts R3 at a glance: 8 of 14 fairways, 15 of 18 greens, 30 putts R4 at a glance: 6 of 14 fairways, 13 of 18 greens, 25 putts

Vegas' Strokes-Gained Summary for the week (rank):

Off-the-Tee +3.608 (17th)
Approach-the-Green +7.069 (7th)
Around-the-Green -0.302 (45th)
Putting +3.659 (19th)

Total +14.230 (4th)

About Jhonattan Vegas

Birthdate: 8/19/1984

Birthplace: Maturin, Venezuela Resides: Houston, Texas

Family: Wife, Hildegard; Sharlene Marie (3/3/2016)

Height/Weight: 6-3/230 Turned Pro: 2008

Web.com Tour Graduate: 2010 Joined PGA TOUR: 2011

Charley Hoffman

Solo-leader through 54 holes Charley Hoffman started the final round birdie-birdie en-route to a 4-under 68, marked by six birdies and two bogeys. Hoffman hit a 345-yard drive to 173 yards on the par-5 18th and then hit his second shot to 24 feet, needing to make eagle for the outright victory. A two-putt birdie forced the playoff with Vegas on hole No. 18.

Hoffman is now 1-2 in playoffs. He defeated John Rollins at the 2007 CareerBuilder Challenge for his first PGA TOUR victory and lost to Kenny Perry at the 2009 Waste Management Phoenix Open.

This marks the 17th time in Hoffman's career that he has held the lead/co-lead after any round on the PGA TOUR and failed to convert any of them to victory (six first-round, seven second-round and four third-round leads/co-leads).

Hoffman has held a share of the 54-hole lead four times on the PGA TOUR and has failed to convert any into a victory.

Tournament	Finish
2013 RBC Heritage	T6
2013 Travelers Championship	T7
2017 Arnold Palmer Invitational	T2
2017 RBC Canadian Open	2

Since 2000, only five 54-hole leaders or co-leaders of the RBC Canadian Open have gone on to win (Brandt Snedeker/2013, Chez Reavie/2008, Mark Calcavecchia/2005, Scott Verplank/2001 and Tiger Woods/2000).

This marks Hoffman's third top-10 finish in seven appearances at the RBC Canadian Open. He was T7 in 2015 and T4 in 2010.

Hoffman was in search of his fifth PGA TOUR win in his 331st career start. His most recent victory came at the 2016 Valero Texas Open.

With his second-place finish this week, moves from 24th to 12th in the FedExCup standings and seeks to advance to the TOUR Championship for the third time in his career (4th in 2010, 10th in 2015). Hoffman is one of 16 players to have made it to the FedExCup Playoffs in each of the 10 years the Playoffs have existed. In addition to being one of 16 players to have made it to the FedExCup Playoffs in each of the 10 years the Playoffs have existed, Hoffman is one of only three players (Phil Mickelson, Bubba Watson) that have qualified for the BMW Championship in all 10 years.

Hoffman entered the week No. 16 on the Presidents Cup U.S. Team standings and is now No. 10. He seeks to finish in the top-10 following the Dell Technologies Championship at TPC Boston to make the team. Captain Steve Stricker will have two captain's picks on September 6, before the team heads to Liberty National Golf Club for the Presidents Cup later that month.

Ian Poulter

Beginning the final round T16, Ian Poulter fired a bogey-free 8-under 64 to finish solo third. He led the field in Strokes Gained: Putting on Sunday, making 128'6" of putts. He also hit 15/18 greens and converted all of his missed greens into pars.

In 16 starts on TOUR this season, Poulter has recorded five top-25 and two top-10 finishes. With his 3rd place finish this week, Poulter moves from 77th to 43rd in the FedExCup standings. 2016 marked the first time Poulter missed the FedExCup Playoffs since the Playoffs began in 2007. His best finish was No. 31 in 2009.

The last time Poulter has shot a 64 or better in any round on TOUR was a second-round 64 at The Honda Classic in 2015. 63 is Poulter's lowest career round, which he's shot three times.

Beginning the week No. 71 in the Official World Golf Ranking, Poulter needed a win to advance to the WGC-Bridgestone Invitational next week.

Poulter's last four starts worldwide were all national opens. Here's a look at Poulter's finishes in each one (most to least recent):

Tournament	Finish
RBC Canadian Open	3
The Open	T14
Aberdeen Asset Management Scottish Open	Т9
Dubai Duty Free Irish Open Hosted by the Rory Foundation	T42
HNA Open de France	T45

Gary Woodland

Gary Woodland holed almost 90 feet of putts in the final round for a 4-under 68 and a solo-fourth finish at 19-under for his best showing at the RBC Canadian Open in his third appearance at this event. In two previous starts at the RBC Canadian Open, Woodland missed the cut in 2010 and finished T61 in 2013.

Woodland tied tournament winner Jhonattan Vegas for most birdies by a player with 27 total birdies this week.

Woodland's second-round 63, which featured 10 birdies, tied his personal best total birdies in a single round, (2017 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am/R4/finished T5). Woodland's 63 also matched his career-low round, which he's shot three times—most recently in round two at the 2015 AT&T Byron Nelson, where he finished second.

Woodland's position after each round:

R1: T70 R2: T2 R3: T3 R4: 4th

Making his 20th start of the season this week, Woodland has made 17 cuts and posted five top-10 finishes, with his last top-10 before this week coming at the Honda Classic in February, where he finished T2.

Woodland began the week at No. 20 in the Presidents Cup U.S. Team standings and moved to No. 15 while seeking to make his first Presidents Cup team. Woodland was victorious in the 2011 World Cup, when he teamed with Matt Kuchar in China to lift the trophy for the United States.

Additional player notes

Canada's Mackenzie Hughes won the Rivermead cup for earning low Canadian honors at the RBC Canadian Open. Hughes began the final round T55 and posted a 4-under 68 to finish T32 overall, his best finish in three starts at this event. He missed the cut in both previous starts (2012 & 2013). Hughes started the day with an eagle and birdies at hole Nos. 15-17 before missing a 5"7" putt for par on No. 18. Graham DeLaet, the only other Canadian to make the cut, shot a 71 on Sunday to finish T48. DeLaet's best finish in 9 starts at this event was T7 in 2014.

World No. 1 Dustin Johnson posted scores of 67-69-68-67 to finish T8 in his fourth start in the RBC Canadian Open this week (2014/MC, 2013/T2, 2008/WD). He led the field this week in GIR with 57/72. He is a combined 28-underpar in his last eight rounds at Glen Abbey. Johnson returns to Firestone Country Club next week to defend his WGC-Bridgestone Invitational title. Johnson now trails Jordan Spieth by 220 points in the FedExCup standings.

Sam Saunders, grandson of the late Arnold Palmer, was T5 through the third round and posted a final-round 72 to finish T19. Saunders celebrated his 30th birthday Sunday, and he shares a birthday with his caddie, Spencer Seifert. The last player on TOUR to win on his birthday was Steve Flesch at the 2004 DEAN & DELUCA (37 years old). Saunders was looking to earn his first PGA TOUR victory at the same tournament that his grandfather earned his first TOUR win. Palmer won this event in 1955 to start a legendary career that included 62 TOUR wins. Sunday at the RBC Open was "Arnold Palmer Day"—as a tribute to Palmer, the first 5,000 fans on-site received a complimentary AP55 button, and the Seagram Gold Cup—the trophy Palmer won in 1955—was on display at the first tee.

Keegan Bradley started the final-round T37 but posted a bogey-free, 7-under 65 to finish T14. Bradley leads the TOUR in total driving this season, with a total of 72 (47 distance rank + 25 accuracy rank) and led the field this week in Strokes Gained: Off the Tee (6.508). Bradley's only other start in this event was back in 2011, where he finished T22 at Shaughnessy G&CC. In two weeks' time, Bradley will play in the PGA Championship, where he earned his first career victory in 2011 at Atlanta Athletic Club after defeating Jason Dufner in a 3-hole aggregate playoff.

2011 RBC Canadian Open champion Sean O'Hair shot a 7-under 65 in round four to finish T10. O'Hair birdied all four par-3s today, the only time in his career he has ever achieved this feat. The last player to make birdie or better on all par-3 on TOUR was Charley Hoffman during round one of the 2017 Masters Tournament. This week marked O'Hair's 16th made cut in 21 starts this season and his 7th top-25 finish. O'Hair missed the cut in his last two starts at the RBC Canadian Open (2016 & 2015).

Miscellaneous

Of the 17 Canadians in the field this week, two advanced to the weekend: Hugo Bernard* (MC), **Graham DeLaet (T48)**, Jared du Toit (MC), Brad Fritsch (MC), Adam Hadwin (MC), David Hearn (MC), Matt Hill (MC), **Mackenzie Hughes (T32)**, Austin James* (MC), Daniel Kim (MC), Drew Nesbitt (MC), Bryn Parry (MC), Garrett Rank* (MC), Nick Taylor (MC), Mike Weir (MC), Riley Wheeldon (MC) and Ryan Williams (MC). *Rank, Bernard and James competed as amateurs.

Golf Canada, RBC and ClubLink announced Saturday that the RBC Canadian Open will return to Glen Abbey in 2018. It will mark the 30th time the RBC Canadian Open will be contested at Glen Abbey GC. Past champions at Glen Abbey since 2000 include Jhonattan Vegas (2016), Jason Day (2015), Brandt Snedeker (2013), Vijay Singh (2004) and Tiger Woods (2000).

Nine Team RBC Ambassadors are in the field this week: Graham DeLaet (T48), Ernie Els (MC), Jim Furyk (75th), Adam Hadwin (MC), David Hearn (MC), Matt Kuchar (T32), Graeme McDowell (MC), Ryan Palmer (MC), and Nick Taylor (MC). Brandt Snedeker, also an RBC Ambassador, withdrew from the event with the same rib injury that forced him to withdraw from last week's Open Championship.

Two golfers will be chosen to go head-to-head in this week's MetLife MatchUp following the RBC Canadian Open. The MetLife MatchUp is a season-long competition recognizing the players who best navigate challenging situations

throughout the PGA TOUR season. The shots will be highlighted on PGATOUR.com/MetLife where fans can vote for their favorite shot and help decide which player will be eligible for the final vote (August 7-16), in which 10 golfers will have the chance to win the \$1 million prize. The golfers that have qualified for the final vote include: Luke Donald (RBC Heritage), Cameron Smith (Valero Texas Open), Phil Mickelson (Wells Fargo Championship), Jason Day (AT&T Byron Nelson), Kevin Kisner (DEAN & DELUCA Invitational), Daniel Berger (FedEx St. Jude Classic), Martin Laird (Quicken Loans National), Bubba Watson (The Greenbrier Classic) and Patrick Rodgers (John Deere Classic).

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Matt Every (65), Ollie Schniederjans (65), Bubba Watson (66), Vijay Singh (66), Peter Malnati (66), Bob Estes (67), Cameron Tringale (68), Shane Lowry (69), Ben Martin (71).

R2: Blayne Barber (68), Stewart Cink (69), Martin Flores (66), Matt Jones (68), Seung-Yul Noh (67), C.T. Pan (66).

R3: Robert Garrigus (62), C.T. Pan (67).

R4: Ricky Barnes (68), Keegan Bradley (65), Dustin Johnson (67), Seung-Yul Noh (68), Ian Poulter (64).

Scoring Averages at the par-72 Glen Abbey GC:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	34.032	36.083	70.115	
R2:	34.574	36.303	70.877	70.495
R3:	34.092	35.618	69.711	70.341
R4:	34.605	35.921	70.526	70.371

A total of 309 sub-par rounds were recorded this week, shattering the previous record of the most sub-par rounds at this event through 72 holes (281/Angus Glen GC/2007). Here's a round-by-round look at sub-par rounds this week, compared to the tournament record (since 1945).

	# of sub-par rounds	Tournament record (by round)	Cumulative sub-par rounds (this week)
R1	106*	89 (Glen Abbey GC/2009)	106
R2	96	103 (Angus Glen GC/2007)	202
R3	57	59 (Glen Abbey GC/2000)	259
R4	50	53 (Glen Abbey GC/2016)	309*
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*new tournament record

The toughest hole in round four was the par-4 14th, with an average of 4.314. The easiest was the par-5 16th, which played to an average of 4.263.

For the week, the par-4 14th was the most difficult hole, with an average of 4.233. The easiest hole was the par-5 2nd, with an average of 4.404.