



**2016 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open**  
(5<sup>th</sup> of 43 events in the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season)

**Las Vegas, Nevada**  
**TPC Summerlin**

**November 3-6, 2016**  
**Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,255**

**Purse: \$6,600,000**

**Final-Round Notes – Sunday, November 6, 2016**

*Weather: Sunny, with a high of 75. Wind ESE 4-8 mph.*

**Final-Round Leaders**

Rod Pampling	60-68-71-65—264 (-20)
Brooks Koepka	62-67-70-67—266 (-18)
Lucas Glover	68-65-65-69—267 (-17)

**Rod Pampling**

Rod Pampling drained a 32-foot birdie putt on the final hole to win the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open by two shots over Brooks Koepka (67). Third-round leader Lucas Glover posted a 2-under 69 to finish three strokes back.

With the victory, Pampling collects 500 points and moves from T139 to fourth in the FedExCup standings.

Pampling wins at the age of 47 years, 1 month and 14 days in his 342<sup>nd</sup> PGA TOUR start. With the victory, he earns eligibility on TOUR through the 2018-19 season.

Pampling collects his third career PGA TOUR victory and first since the 2006 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by MasterCard, a span of 10 years, 7 months, 19 days (220 starts). By comparison, the PGA TOUR record for longest span between victories is 15 years, 6 months (Robert Gamez).

At the age of 47 years, 1 month, 14 days, Pampling becomes the oldest winner of the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, and just the second player over 40 to win the tournament (Wes Short, Jr. was 41 years, 10 months, 12 days when he won the 2005 tournament).

Prior to Pampling, the previous five winners of the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open were under the age of 30 at the time of their win: Smylie Kaufman (2015), Ben Martin (2014), Webb Simpson (2013), Ryan Moore (2012) and Kevin Na (2011).

Pampling becomes the oldest player to win on TOUR since Davis Love III won his 21<sup>st</sup> title at the 2015 Wyndham Championship at the age of 51 years, 4 months, 10 days. Since the beginning of the 2014-15 season, there have now been eight players age 40 or older who have won on TOUR (Padraig Harrington, Alex Cejka, Jim Furyk, J.J. Henry, Davis Love III, Greg Chalmers, Henrik Stenson and Pampling).

Pampling and Glover have been grouped together now on 17 occasions, including the third and fourth round of the 2005 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open and in the third round of the 2006 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by MasterCard (which was also won by Pampling). Prior to Sunday, they were most recently grouped together in the second round of the Wyndham Championship when Glover bogeyed his final hole as he attempted to shoot a 59.

Pampling set the record this week for best start by a winner in Las Vegas with his opening 60. The previous-best low start by a champion was Ryan Moore who opened with a 61 en route to victory in 2012.

Players who have opened with a 60 on the PGA TOUR and gone on to win:

- Rod Pampling – 2016 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open (60)
- Steve Stricker – 2010 John Deere Classic (60)
- Phil Mickelson – 2013 Waste Management Phoenix Open (60)

In six previous starts at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, Pampling's best result was a T16 in 2005. He has not competed in Las Vegas since 2012 when he finished T68.

This week marked Pampling's third start of the season (Safeway Open/MC, Sanderson Farms Championship/T42).

For the last two seasons, Pampling has secured his PGA TOUR card via the Web.com Tour. This past season, Pampling posted two top-15 finishes in the Web.com Tour Finals to finish 23<sup>rd</sup> on the final priority ranking order.

Pampling has missed the FedExCup Playoffs the last four seasons.

Pampling's caddie, Brendon Woolley, caddied for Phil Tataurangi when he won in Las Vegas in 2002.

Statistics for the week:

Driving Distance: 308.4 yards (38)

Fairways Hit in Regulation: 34/56 (T15)

Greens Hit in Regulation: 56/72 (T11)

Strokes Gained: Putting: +1.587 (39)

About Rod Pampling

Birthdate: September 23, 1969

Birthplace: Redcliffe, Queensland, Australia

Residence: Double Oak, Texas

Family: Wife, Angela; Samuel, Willa, Eli

Height/Weight: 5-10, 175

Turned Pro: 1994

Joined TOUR: 2002

Web.com Tour Graduate (2001, 2015, 2016)

### **Brooks Koepka**

Grouped with Rod Pampling and Lucas Glover, Brooks Koepka carded a final-round 4-under 67 to finish solo second. It marks his third runner-up finish on TOUR (2016 AT&T Byron Nelson, 2016 FedEx St. Jude Classic, 2016 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open).

En route to his lone PGA TOUR victory, Koepka came from three strokes back to win the 2015 Waste Management Phoenix Open by one shot.

It has been feast or famine for Koepka in his four starts at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open (MC-2013, T4-2014, MC-2015, 2-2016).

Koepka is one of seven players who made the trip from Shanghai, China, after competing in last week's World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions (T40), his only other start of the 2016-17 season.

### **Lucas Glover**

Third-round leader Lucas Glover posted a 2-under 69 to finish solo third, three strokes behind Pampling.

Making his 341<sup>st</sup> career start on the PGA TOUR, Glover is winless in his three attempts when carrying the lead/co-lead into the final round: 2016 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open (3), 2013 Zurich Classic of New Orleans (T4), 2010 Tournament of Champions (T14). All three of Glover's victories were captured in come-from-behind fashion.

This marked Glover's sixth start in the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open where he had missed the cut the last three years (2015, 2014, 2013). His previous-best finish in Las Vegas was T15 in his first start in 2004.

Glover was attempting to become the third Clemson Tiger to win this event in the last seven years: Jonathan Byrd (2010) and Ben Martin (2014). The 2009 U.S. Open champion was in search of his fourth career PGA TOUR victory and first since the 2011 Wells Fargo Championship.

A week ago, Glover was one back heading into the final round of the Sanderson Farms Championship where he went on to finish T5. He missed the cut in the Safeway Open.

### **Third-Round Lead Notes**

The 54-hole leader/co-leader has gone on to win six of the last 10 Shriners Hospitals for Children Opens: Ben Martin (2014), Webb Simpson (2013), Ryan Moore (2012), Kevin Na (2011), Marc Turnesa (2008) and George McNeill (2007). Pampling is the second-consecutive come-from-behind winner (Smylie Kaufman/2015) in Las Vegas.

So far during the 2016-17 season, Hideki Matsuyama (World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions) is the only player to hold a 54-hole lead/co-lead and go on to victory.

### **Additional Player Notes**

Francesco Molinari posted a final-round 10-under 61 to jump from T46 to T4. Molinari, a four-time winner on the European Tour, finished T3 at the 2011 World Golf Championships-Mexico Championship and 2015 Memorial Tournament for his career-best finishes in 89 PGA TOUR starts. His 61 Sunday bettered his career-low score on TOUR by three strokes (64), set three times previously and most recently at the 2015 Waste Management Phoenix Open (third round).

Harris English has improved in each of his four starts at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open (60-2012, T40-2013, T16-2014, T4-2016).

Seeking his first PGA TOUR victory since winning in the state of Nevada (2014 Barracuda Championship), Geoff Ogilvy finished T4. Ogilvy, who missed the cut in the Safeway Open and the Sanderson Farms Championship, is taking his one-time Top 50 on Career Money List exemption this season.

Keegan Bradley (T7) recorded his second-straight top-10 finish this season, following a solo-sixth place finish at the CIMB Classic. It marks his first back-to-back top-10 finishes in consecutive starts since posting four in a row in 2013 (T4-The Honda Classic, 7-WGC-Mexico Championship, T3-Arnold Palmer Invitational, T10-Shell Houston Open).

Kyle Stanley finished T7 for his first top-10 finish on the PGA TOUR since a T8 at the 2014 Barracuda Championship (43 starts) in Reno, Nev.

Pat Perez finished T7 for his first top-10 finish since a T4 at the 2014 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. Making his 11<sup>th</sup> start at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, this week marked his first top-10 finish (T14 in 2010 was previous-best finish).

With his T10 finish, current Web.com Tour member Aaron Wise earns a spot in next week's OHL Classic at Mayakoba. Wise earned Web.com Tour status after finishing fourth on the Order of Merit on the 2016 Mackenzie Tour.

Defending champion Smylie Kaufman finished T72 in his attempt to join Jim Furyk as the only players to win the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open in back-to-back seasons (1998-99).

It's been 23 years since Davis Love III (T41) won the 1993 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open and this week marked his 23<sup>rd</sup> start in Las Vegas. Since 1992, Love is a combined 164-under par in the event, the second lowest score to par behind Jim Furyk (-171).

Dating to 2010, Scott Piercy (T24) has the most birdies by any player at the Shriners Hospital for Open:

Player	Total birdies since 2010 (including this week)
Scott Piercy	135
Jason Bohn	122
Chad Campbell	120

Ten former Shriners Hospitals for Children Open champions were in the field this week:

<b>Champion (Year)</b>	<b>Finish</b>
Ryan Moore (2012)	T15
Martin Laird (2009)	T27
Webb Simpson (2013-14)	T31
Davis Love III (1993)	T41
Smylie Kaufman (2015-16)	T72
Bob Estes (2001)	MC
Jonathan Byrd (2010)	MC
Ben Martin (2014-15)	MC
Kevin Na (2011)	MC
Stuart Appleby (2003)	WD

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Rod Pampling (60), John Huh (62), Brooks Koepka (62), Billy Horschel (64), Chris Kirk (66), Charles Howell III (67), Ryan Brehm (67), Kevin Na (68), Vaughn Taylor (68), Graham DeLaet (69), Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano (70).

R2: Chez Reavie (61), Sean O'Hair (62), Derek Fathauer (67), Keegan Bradley (65).

R3: Russell Henley (63), Scott Piercy (65), Tony Finau (65), Adam Hadwin (67), Chez Reavie (68).

R4: Francesco Molinari (61), Martin Flores (65), Billy Hurley III (66), Keegan Bradley (66), Kyle Stanley (67), Brendan Steele (68).

Scoring Averages at the par-71 TPC Summerlin:

	<b>Front 9</b>	<b>Back 9</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
R1:	34.783	34.958	69.741	---
R2:	34.683	35.014	69.698	69.720
R3:	34.959	34.500	69.459	69.666
R4:	34.662	34.757	69.419	69.623

The par-4 third hole played the toughest this week (4.274), while the par-5 16<sup>th</sup> was the easiest (4.414).