



2016 The RSM Classic

(7th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

**St. Simons Island, GA
Seaside Course (Host)
Plantation Course**

**November 14-20, 2016
Par/Yards: 35-35—70/7,005
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,058**

**Purse: \$6,000,000
FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)**

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, November 19, 2016

Weather: Sunny, with a high of 77. Wind WNW 10-20 mph.

54-Hole Cut: 70 players at 3-under 209 from a field of 80 professionals who made the 36-hole cut.

Rounds three and four are being contested on the Seaside Course only.

Third-Round Leaderboard

Mackenzie Hughes	61-67-68—196 (-16)
Camilo Villegas	66-67-64—197 (-15)
Billy Horschel	66-66-65—197 (-15)
C.T. Pan	66-64-67—197 (-15)

Third-Round Leader Notes

Through six events in the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season, the only third-round leader/co-leader to hang on for the win has been Hideki Matsuyama at the World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions.

In the six-year history of The RSM Classic, Heath Slocum (2010), Chris Kirk (2013) and Kevin Kisner (2015) have managed to convert a 54-hole lead/co-lead into victory at the event.

Mackenzie Hughes

Despite a triple bogey at the par-4 11th hole, PGA TOUR rookie Mackenzie Hughes has been able to take solo-possession of The RSM Classic lead for the third straight day. He made five birdies, good for a one-stroke lead.

The last player to win in wire-to-wire fashion (no ties) was Jason Day at the 2016 PLAYERS Championship.

In eight previous starts on the PGA TOUR, his best position after 54 holes before this week was T10 at the Safeway Open last month. He finished T13.

The 25-year-old Canadian, who resides in Charlotte, N.C., is making his ninth start on the PGA TOUR and his fifth this season after finishing 28th in the 2016 Web.com Tour final priority-ranking, highlighted by a win at the Price Cutter Charity Championship.

En route to his win at the Price Cutter Charity Championship, he held a one-stroke leader over three others.

After two rounds, Hughes led the field in Strokes Gained: Off-the-Tee (+1.875), Strokes Gained Tee-to-Green (+4.673) and driving accuracy (28/32). In round three, he found 10 of 14 fairways in regulation, the fewest of any round. In round three, he ranked 53rd in Strokes Gained: Off-the-Tee (-0.413) and 65th in Strokes Gained Tee-to-Green (-2.042)

Immediately following graduation from Kent State University, Hughes turned professional and won the 2013 Mackenzie Tour – PGA TOUR Canada Order of Merit title and Player of the Year honors after winning the 2013 Cape Breton Classic to go with a runner-up and T3 finish.

Mackenzie Hughes' R3 Statistics

Driving Accuracy	9 of 14
Greens in Regulation	10 of 18
Scrambling	7 of 8
Putting	25

Camilo Villegas

Making his fifth start in The RSM Classic, Colombia's Camilo Villegas overcame an early double-bogey at the par-3 third hole with nine birdies, four of which came on his last four holes. His 6-under 64 moves him to 15-under 197.

At T2, Villegas finds himself inside the top five after 54 holes on the PGA TOUR for the first time since holding down a share of fourth place at the 2014 Greenbrier Classic. He would struggle to a final-round, 3-over 73 to finish T26.

Playing out of the Past Champion category on the PGA TOUR this season, Villegas is in search of his first top-10 showing since winning the 2014 Wyndham Championship, his fourth TOUR title.

Villegas' best finish at The RSM Classic is a T20 in his first start of 2012.

Villegas is making his third start of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season and is coming off a T28 at last week's OHL Classic at Mayakoba, where he opened with a 7-under 64. Prior to that, he finished T26 at the Sanderson Farms Championship.

Billy Horschel

2014 FedExCup champion Billy Horschel sank a 10-foot putt for birdie at the last to post a bogey-free, 5-under 65 and get to 15-under 197 with fellow Florida Gator Camilo Villegas.

Horschel, who trains at Sea Island Golf Performance Center, is making his third start in The RSM Classic this week. He finished T20 in 2011 and T43 in 2012. In neither final round has he been able to break par.

Horschel is making just his third start of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season this week. He finished T41 at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open and missed last week's cut at the OHL Classic at Mayakoba.

Horschel, a three-time winner on the PGA TOUR, is in search of his first win since the 2014 TOUR Championship, which helped him clench the title of FedExCup Champion.

Horschel claimed five top-10 finishes on TOUR last season en route to a 50th-place finish on the FedExCup points list.

Cheng Tsung Pan

PGA TOUR rookie Cheng Tsung Pan overcame a bogey at the first hole with five birdies en route to a 3-under 67 and get to 15-under 197.

In four starts on TOUR this season, the 25-year-old has played the weekend twice with a season-best T46 at last week's OHL Classic at Mayakoba.

Pan earned his TOUR card for the 2016-17 season after finishing 11th on the 2016 Web.com Tour Regular Season Money list with seven top-10s in 22 starts. The Miaoli, Taiwan native represented his native Chinese Taipei in the 2016 Olympic Games with a T30 finish in Brazil.

The former World No. 1 amateur has risen through both the Web.com Tour and Mackenzie Tour-PGA TOUR Canada to get to the PGA TOUR. He earned Web.com Tour status for 2016 with a second-place finish on the 2015 Mackenzie Tour Order of Merit, where he won twice in only seven starts.

Charles Howell III

Sea Island resident Charles Howell III made five birdies and two bogeys in round three to post a 3-under 67 and get to 13-under 199. He will head into the final round three strokes back.

Howell III has competed in every RSM Classic since its 2010 inception. Of those six previous starts, he has finished inside the top 10 in 2010 (T6), 2012 (T7) and 2015 (T9).

Following rounds of 67-70-67-68—272 (-10) last year, Howell's 67 in round three is his seventh-consecutive, sub-par score at The RSM Classic. He opened this week 67-65. This marks his 12th-straight sub-par score this season.

Howell III, a two-time winner on the PGA TOUR, is in search of his first win since the 2007 Genesis Open. A win this week would come in his 282nd start since that win at Riviera Country Club. The span of time between wins would be 9 years, 9 months, 2 days.

Howell is making his 479th career start on the PGA TOUR this week, having collected 80 top-10 finishes. He most recently finished inside the top 10 at last week's OHL Classic at Mayakoba (T7).

Stewart Cink

At 12-under 200 and T9, Stewart Cink finds himself inside the top 10 after 54 holes for the first time since the 2015 CIMB Classic (T10). He finished T17.

Cink is in search of his first top-10 finish since claiming a share of fifth place at the 2015 RBC Canadian Open.

Cink, a six-time winner on the PGA TOUR, is in search of his first win since the 2009 Open Championship.

Miscellaneous Notes

Each past champion of The RSM Classic made a start this week, with only Robert Streb/2014 (-4/T67) and Ben Crane/2011 (-5/T60) making it to the weekend.

Seaside Course Scoring Averages:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	34.013	34.282	68.295	---
R2:	34.026	34.038	68.064	68.179
R3:	35.075	34.538	69.613	68.665