



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)

FINAL Final-Round Notes – Monday, November 21, 2016

Weather: Sunny and cold, with morning temperatures in the low 40s. Wind WNW 5-7 mph.

If not otherwise exempt, top-10 finishers from The RSM Classic earn a spot into the field at the 2017 Sony Open in Hawaii.

FINAL Final-Round Leaderboard

Mackenzie Hughes	61-67-68-69—265 (-17)
Camilo Villegas	66-67-64-68—265 (-17)
Henrik Norlander	67-67-66-65—265 (-17)
Blayne Barber	63-68-68-66—265 (-17)
Billy Horschel	66-66-65-68—265 (-17) – Eliminated after the 1 st hole Sunday with a bogey

The playoff resumed at 8:00 a.m. Monday morning with the third hole of sudden death (par-3 17th).

This marked the first unscheduled Monday finish on the PGA TOUR since the 2016 Zurich Classic of New Orleans.

The last five-man playoff was at the 2015 Puerto Rico Open, won by Alex Cejka.

The PGA TOUR record for largest number of players in a playoff is six; 1994 AT&T Byron Nelson (Neal Lancaster), 2001 Genesis Open (Robert Allenby).

This marked the first playoff on the PGA TOUR since the 2016 TOUR Championship (Rory McIlroy)

Mackenzie Hughes

PGA TOUR rookie Mackenzie Hughes, who led outright each of the first three rounds, posted a 1-under 69 in the final round Sunday to get to 17-under 265 and join a playoff between Camilo Villegas, Blayne Barber, Billy Horschel and Henrik Norlander. On the third extra hole Monday morning, the par-3 17th, Hughes rolled in a 15-foot putt to save par from off the green to claim his first career PGA TOUR victory in his ninth start two days before his 26th birthday.

With his win, Hughes collects 500 FedExCup points and moves to No. 4 in the FedExCup standings with 582 points.

With his win, Hughes earns exempt status through the 2018-19 PGA TOUR Season.

If not otherwise exempt, Hughes earns a spot into the following PGA TOUR events in 2017: Tournament of Champions, CareerBuilder Challenge, Arnold Palmer Invitational, the Masters, RBC Heritage, PLAYERS Championship, DEAN & DELUCA Invitational, the Memorial Tournament, Quicken Loans National and PGA Championship.

Hughes becomes the first player from Canada to win on the PGA TOUR since Nick Taylor at the 2014 Sanderson Farms Championship.

Hughes becomes the 13th Canadian to win on the PGA TOUR, joining George Knudson, Mike Weir, Ian Leggatt, Stan Leonard, Richard Zokol, Dan Halldorson, Dave Barr, Al Balding, Jules Huot, Al Johnston, Stephen Ames and Nick Taylor. (Ames and Johnston became Canadian citizens prior to winning).

With his win, Hughes becomes the first player to win on the Mackenzie Tour – PGA TOUR Canada, Web.com Tour and the PGA TOUR. In 2013, he won the Cape Breton Open on the Mackenzie Tour on the way to claiming

Player of the Year honors. In 2016, he won the Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr. Pepper on the Web.com Tour.

Hughes becomes the fourth player to make The RSM Classic his first career PGA TOUR win and third consecutive; *Mackenzie Hughes (2016)*, Kevin Kisner (2015), Robert Streb (2014) and Tommy Gainey (2012).

With his win at last year's RSM Classic, Kevin Kisner became the sixth first-time winner of the seven fall events. This season, Hughes becomes just the second in that same span of seven events. He joins Cody Gribble, who won the Sanderson Farms Championship.

Through seven events in the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season, Hughes (The RSM Classic) and Hideki Matsuyama (World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions) have been the only 54-hole leaders able to convert for the win.

In the seven-year history of The RSM Classic, Heath Slocum (2010), Chris Kirk (2013), Kevin Kisner (2015) and now Hughes have managed to convert a 54-hole lead/co-lead into victory at the event. Hughes becomes the first to win after leading after each of the first three rounds.

Hughes managed to get up and down from around the greens during regulation play 17 of 20 times. For the week, he ranked first in the Strokes Gained category, outperforming the field by 1.572 strokes per round.

The 25-year-old Canadian, who resides in Charlotte, N.C., was 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.

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 played the Mackenzie Tour in 2013 and 2015 and the Web.com Tour in 2014 and 2016.

Mackenzie earned his PGA TOUR card for the 2016-17 season after finishing 17th on Web.com Tour regular-season money list and 20th in the Web.com Tour Finals.

Mackenzie is one of three former Mackenzie Tour Players of the Year on the PGA TOUR in 2016-17, along with Joel Dahmen (2014) and J.J. Spaun (2015).

2016-17 starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 5-4-1-1

PGA TOUR career starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 9-6-1-1

Mackenzie Hughes - Statistics:

Driving Accuracy	44/56
Greens in Regulation	52/72
Total Putts	105
Driving Distance	272.5 (average)

Mackenzie Hughes – Strokes Gained

Off the Tee: +0.499 (38th)

Approach the Green: -1.826 (61st)

Putting: +6.162 (3rd)

Total: +9.550 (T2)

About Mackenzie Hughes:

Height: 6-1

Weight: 180

Birthdate: November 23, 1990

Birthplace: Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

Residence: Charlotte, North Carolina

Family: Wife, Jenna

Education: Kent State University

Turned Pro: 2013

Web.com Tour Graduate: 2016

Joined PGA TOUR: 2016-17

Camilo Villegas

Playing out of the Past Champion category, four-time PGA TOUR winner Camilo Villegas posted a 2-under 68 in the final round to get to 17-under 265 and join the five-man playoff. Following pars at the first two extra holes (No. 18), Villegas' four-foot putt for par slid by the right side of the hole, resulting in a share of second place.

Villegas falls to 2-1 in playoffs on the PGA TOUR. He lost the 2007 Honda Classic to Mark Wilson and won the 2008 TOUR Championship.

Villegas is the winner of the 2008 BMW Championship, 2008 TOUR Championship, 2010 The Honda Classic and 2014 Wyndham Championship.

Villegas' T2 finish marks his first top-10 finish since winning the 2014 Wyndham Championship.

Villegas was making his third start of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season this week; P2/The RSM Classic, T28/OHL Classic at Mayakoba and T26/Sanderson Farms Championship.

Henrik Norlander

Playing on a sponsor exemption, Sweden's Henrik Norlander came from four strokes back in the final round with a bogey-free, 5-under 65 to join the five-man playoff at 17-under 265. He sank a five-foot putt for birdie on the 72nd hole to join the playoff.

When he wasn't able to save par on the third extra hole Monday morning, the par-3 17th hole, Norlander was eliminated.

The last player to win on the PGA TOUR on a sponsor exemption was Billy Hurley III at the 2016 Quicken Loans National.

Norlander was hoping to become the 10th player from Sweden to win on the PGA TOUR, joining Jesper Parnevik (5), Carl Pettersson (5), Henrik Stenson (5), Gabriel Hjertstedt (2), Daniel Chopra (2), Jonas Blixt (2), Freddie Jacobson (1), Richard S. Johnson (1) and David Lingmerth (1).

This week's RSM Classic marked Norlander's first start on TOUR since the 2016 Wyndham Championship (MC).

Prior to this week, Norlander's best showing in 44 TOUR starts was a T15 at the 2013 Zurich Classic of New Orleans.

Norlander made 21 starts on the PGA TOUR last season, with his best finish being a T25 at the Travelers Championship. He finished at No. 164 in the FedExCup standings.

Blayne Barber

After opening with a 7-under 63 on the Seaside Course, Blayne Barber posted 4-under 66 in the final round to come from three strokes back, post a 17-under 265 and join a playoff between 54-hole leader Mackenzie Hughes, Camilo Villegas, Billy Horschel and Henrik Norlander. On the third extra hole, the par-3 17th Barber was eliminated when he wasn't able to save par.

Barber's T2 finish supplants his previous-best finish on the PGA TOUR of T3 from the 2016 The Honda Classic.

Barber hit 16 of 18 greens in regulation in the final round Sunday.

Barber was making his third start in The RSM Classic, having missed the cut in 2015 and finishing T75 last year.

Last season, Barber claimed four top-25 finishes and finished at No. 101 in the FedExCup standings.

Billy Horschel

Beginning the final round one stroke back at 15-under 197, 2014 FedExCup champion Billy Horschel posted a 2-under 68 to join the five-man playoff with 54-hole leader Mackenzie Hughes, Henrik Norlander, Camilo Villegas and Blayne Barber at 17-under 265. When Horschel missed a putt just outside three feet for par on the first extra hole, he was eliminated. He drops to 0-1 in playoffs.

Horschel, who trains at Sea Island Golf Performance Center, was making his third start in The RSM Classic. He finished T20 in 2011 and T43 in 2012. His 68 Sunday marked his first final-round score in the event not over par.

Horschel was 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 the cut at the OHL Classic at Mayakoba.

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

Miscellaneous Notes

Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. resident Jim Furyk holed a 151-yard 7-iron for an eagle-two at the 11th hole en route to a 3-under 67 in Sunday's final round. Furyk finished T6 in his third start in The RSM Classic. Most recently, he finished third in 2012.

Each past champion of The RSM Classic made a start this week, with only Robert Streb/2014 (-5/T57) and Ben Crane/2011 (-4/64th) 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
R4:	35.043	34.600	69.643	68.904