2026 RSM Classic
(Eighth and final FedExCup Fall Event)

St. Simons Island, Georgia	**November 19-22, 2026**	**FedExCup points: 500 (winner)**
Sea Island Golf Club (Seaside)	**Par/Yards: 35-35—70/7,157**	**Purse: $7.4 million ($1,332,000)**
Sea Island Golf Club (Plantation)	**Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,060**	

Pre-Tournament Information – 2026 RSM Classic

Player Interviews
Tuesday, November 17
10 a.m. – Keith Mitchell
4:30 p.m. – Maverick McNealy

Wednesday, November 18
10 a.m. – Michael Brennan
Prior to 11:55 a.m. (18-hole) Pro-Am – Blades Brown
Following 7:50 a.m. (18-hole) Pro-Am - Brooks Koepka
TBD – Davis Love III

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Michael Brennan
- Will make his second appearance at The RSM Classic (T51/2025)
- PGA Tour wins (3): 2025 Bank of Utah Championship, 2026 Wyndham Championship, 2026 Baycurrent Classic
- Four top 10s in 27 starts this season, highlighted by wins at the Wyndham Championship and Baycurrent Classic; one of eight multiple winners this season
- Finished the season No. 46 in the FedExCup standings; one of nine players in the field who finished inside the top 50
- Making his first start since winning in his tournament debut at the Baycurrent Classic; became the youngest winner of the Baycurrent Classic, winning in his 33rd start at the age of 24 years, 8 months, 2 days
- Won three times on PGA Tour Americas in 2025 and finished No. 1 in the 2025 Fortinet Cup standings to earn fully exempt status on the Korn Ferry Tour in 2026; posted 12 top-10s in 16 starts on PGA Tour Americas in 2025, with his three victories coming in a span of four starts in August and September
- Finished No. 12 in the 2024 PGA Tour University Ranking after four seasons at Wake Forest University (2020-24), where he earned eight individual victories, tied for third most in program history at the time

Blades Brown
- Will make his second appearance at The RSM Classic (MC/2025)
- Making his second start (Austin Championship presented by Compliance Solutions/T4) since earning his first PGA Tour victory at the World Wide Technology Championship (22nd career start); became the fourth youngest winner in Tour history at the age of 19 years, 5 months, 18 days
- With his win in Mexico, became the first teenager to win on Tour since Jordan Spieth at the 2013 John Deere Classic
- With the win, now exempt on the PGA Tour through 2028 and will compete on the PGA Tour Championship Series in 2028
- One of 10 first-time winners this season
- Win is one of four top-10s in 14 starts this season; the others: Puerto Rico Open/3rd, Austin Championship/T4, Myrtle Beach Classic/T9
- Turned professional at 17 years old on December 17, 2024
- Earned Korn Ferry Tour Special Temporary Membership in 2025 and finished No. 68 on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List to earn exempt status for the 2026 season.
- Finished No. 9 on the 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Points List to earn PGA Tour membership for the 2027 season; became the youngest player to graduate from the Korn Ferry Tour
- Earned PGA Tour Special Temporary Membership in June following his T14 at THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson
- Currently No. 55 in the FedExCup Fall standings

Brooks Koepka
- Will make his debut appearance at The RSM Classic; first Tour start since finishing T67 at the Wyndham Championship
- Last of nine Tour wins came at the 2023 PGA Championship; last non-major victory came at the 2021 WM Phoenix Open
- One top-10 finish in 16 starts this season (Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches/T9)
- With Brooks Koepka in the field at The RSM Classic at No. 115 in the FedExCup Fall standings, his final position in the FedExCup Fall standings will not impact another player's eligibility for 2027 as outlined in the Tour's Returning Member

Program; for example, should Koepka finish inside the top 100, the player who finishes No. 101 will earn exempt status on Tour for the 2027 season, with the resulting eligibility changes extending through each subsequent conditional category (Nos. 101-110, 111-125, 126-150)

- With his participation this week, the field will be expanded from 145 to 147 players so as to not take away a spot from another Tour member; the two players added are Camilo Villegas and Jonathan Byrd; the expansion to 147 is to ensure a clean tee sheet (no one playing solo or in a twosome during the first two rounds)

Davis Love III

- The RSM Classic tournament host and longtime St. Simons Island resident is not competing in this year's event
- World Golf Hall of Fame member
- Last of his 792 PGA Tour starts came at the 2025 RSM Classic (MC)
- 21-time PGA Tour winner, tied for 33rd for most all-time

Maverick McNealy

- Will make his fifth appearance at The RSM Classic (T53/2019, MC/2020, T58/2023, 1st/2024)
- Picked up his lone PGA Tour win at the 2024 RSM Classic; missed his title defense in 2025 due to the birth of he and wife, Maya's, first child (Adeline)
- One of 11 players to win first career PGA Tour title at The RSM Classic
- 12 top-25s in 23 starts this season, led by T7 at the BMW Championship (one of three top-10 finishes)
- Finished the season No. 42 in the FedExCup standings

Keith Mitchell

- Will make his 10th straight appearance at The RSM Classic, with three top-20 finishes (T12/2021, T14/2019, T18/2025)
- Lone PGA Tour win in 239 starts came at the 2019 Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches
- Five top-10s in 25 starts this season, including his last two starts (Baycurrent Classic/T2, World Wide Technology Championship/T8)
- Currently No. 52 in the FedExCup Fall standings

RSM Classic notes

- This is the 17th edition of The RSM Classic, with **Sami Valimaki** edging **Max McGreevy** by one stroke in 2025 to become the first player from Finland to win on the PGA Tour, joining other RSM Classic international winners **Mackenzie Hughes** (2016/Canada), **Adam Svensson** (2022/Canada) and Ludvig Åberg (2023/Sweden)
  - Became the 11th player to win first career Tour title at The RSM Classic and fifth consecutive, joining Talor Gooch (2021), **Adam Svensson** (2022), Ludvig Åberg (2023) and **Maverick McNealy** (2024)
  - Became the sixth player to win in his tournament debut and first since Austin Cook in 2017
- Additional field highlights:
  - Eight players ranked in the Top 50 of the Official World Golf Ranking, led by Michael Brennan (No. 18)
  - Seven past champions: Chris Kirk (2013), Kevin Kisner (2015), Mackenzie Hughes (2016), Tyler Duncan (2019), Adam Svensson (2022), Maverick McNealy (2024), Sami Valimaki (2025)
  - 12 players who have won a tournament this season: Michael Brennan (2), Austin Smotherman (2), J.T. Poston, Michael Thorbjornsen, Bud Cauley, Jackson Koivun, Andrew Novak, Blades Brown, Steven Fisk, Ricky Castillo, Stefano Mazzoli, Chad Ramey
  - Five major champions: Brooks Koepka (5), Keegan Bradley, Brian Harman, Lucas Glover, Webb Simpson
  - One player who qualified for the Tour Championship: Alex Smalley
  - Sponsor exemptions: Muzzy Donohue, Michael Johnson, Calen Sanderson, Greyson Sigg
  - Open Qualifiers: Matt Atkins, Henrik Norlander, Jeff Overton, Shad Tuten

FedExCup Fall Notes

- The 2026 RSM Classic is the final event of the FedExCup Fall, a group of eight tournaments played after the Tour Championship that finalizes eligibility for the 2027 PGA Tour Season
- The top 100 in the standings following the RSM Classic become exempt on the PGA Tour for the 2027 season
  - Players who moved inside the top 100 in the standings after the Austin Championship:
    - **Chad Ramey** (Won; 136th → 68th), **Trace Crowe** (3rd; 117th → 87th)
  - Players who moved outside the top 100 in the standings after the Austin Championship:
    - **Billy Horschel** (T35; 98th → 101st), **Chandler Phillips** (T54; 100th → 102nd)
- The FedExCup Fall also determines eligibility for early-season Signature Events, with Nos. 51-60 in the final FedExCup Fall standings earning spots in the 2027 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and 2027 Genesis Invitational. Players currently between Nos. 51-70 in the FedExCup Fall standings (**bold** in the field):
  - No. 51 **Austin Smotherman**
  - No. 52 **Keith Mitchell**
  - No. 53 **Ben James**
  - No. 54 **Andrew Novak**
  - No. 55 **Blades Brown**
  - No. 56 **Jordan Smith**
  - No. 57 Michael Kim

    - No. 58 **Steven Fisk**
    - No. 59 **Pierceson Coody**
    - No. 60 Max Homa
    - No. 61 **Ben Kohles**
    - No. 62 **Doug Ghim**
    - No. 63 **Harry Hall**
    - No. 64 Corey Conners
    - No. 65 Jordan Spieth
    - No. 66 Sudarshan Yellamaraju
    - No. 67 Seamus Power
    - No. 68 **Chad Ramey**
    - No. 69 **Harris English**
    - No. 70 **Ricky Castillo**
- Key thresholds in the final FedExCup Fall standings (following The RSM Classic):
    - Top 100 on FedExCup Fall Points List are fully exempt for all Full-Field Events and The Players Championship in 2027
    - Nos. 51-60 gain access to the 2027 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and The Genesis Invitational via Aon Next 10
    - Nos. 101-110 earn conditional status for the 2027 season via the 101-110 Prior Season FedExCup Fall Points List category, which is not subject to reshuffle
    - Nos. 111-125 earn conditional status for the 2027 season via the 111-125 Prior Season FedExCup Fall Points List category, which is subject to reshuffle
    - Nos. 126-150 earn conditional status for the 2027 season via the 126-150 Prior Season FedExCup Fall Points List category, which is subject to reshuffle. This category will earn limited access to PGA Tour events
    - The top 40 available applicants below the 100th position on the Final 2026 FedExCup Fall Points List, to a floor of 200th position, are exempt for Final Stage of Q-School in 2026
- In addition to the event purse, winners of FedExCup Fall events receive:
    - 500 FedExCup points and Official World Golf Ranking points
    - Two-year PGA Tour exemption, which will earn them their card for the PGA Tour Championship Series in 2028
    - Invitations to THE PLAYERS Championship and PGA Championship

Seaside Course Restoration

- Love Golf Design (Davis Love III, Mark Love, Scot Sherman) and MacCurrach Golf Course Construction restored Sea Island's Seaside Course, which closed in May and reopened in October; the goal was preservation rather than reinvention, honoring Tom Fazio's original vision
    - Greens were rebuilt to recover original edges and lost pin positions, giving the Tour more setup variety; new tees add length to select holes
    - Drainage, irrigation and turf were upgraded, along with bunkers, fairways and native areas, for firmer, healthier conditions
    - Players and fans will notice a beachier look, with more sand in the dunes and less pine straw