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## **McIlroy, Finau lead after 54 holes, and more from the RBC Canadian Open**

*Nick Taylor and Corey Connors in the top-20 ahead of Sunday's final round at St. George's Golf & Country Club*



Toronto (June 11, 2022) – Cloudy skies threatened rain at the RBC Canadian Open today, but the sunshine prevailed as the world's top golfers teed it up at St. George's Golf & Country Club.

## FINAU, MCILROY LEAD HEADING INTO FINAL ROUND AT RBC CANADIAN OPEN

Tony Finau and Rory McIlroy sit atop the leaderboard at 11-under par after 54 holes at St. George's Golf & Country Club. Finau's eight-under par 62 was the low-score of the day and lowest round at the National Open since McIlroy's 61 in the final round of the 2019 RBC Canadian Open. The Salt Lake City, Utah native tallied three birdies and an eagle through a four-hole (nos. 8 to 11) stretch to catapult up the leaderboard.

McIlroy continued his bid to successfully defend his RBC Canadian Open title with a five-under par 65 to grab a share of the lead. The 33-year-old is looking to become the first player to win a PGA TOUR event (non-major) back-to-back at two different courses since Jim Furyk, who won in 2006 at Hamilton G&CC and then defended his title at Angus Glen Golf Course (North) in 2007.

Justin Thomas, Sam Burns, Wyndham Clark and Alex Smalley sit at nine-under par, two shots back of the leaders, at nine-under par, entering the final round. Thomas' seven-under par 63 matched his lowest round on the PGA TOUR this season since the second round of the Farmers Insurance Open. Burns will be vying for his second win on TOUR in in just a two-week span after winning the Charles Schwab Challenge on May 29.

Nick Taylor and Corey Connors were on the move on moving day at the RBC Canadian Open. The Canadian duo fired rounds of three-under par 67 and four-under par 66, respectively, to climb into the top-20 heading into Sunday's final round.

"I'm probably not going to do much leaderboard watching, just keep my head down," said Taylor. "I'll see tonight what the lead is and have an idea of probably where I want to get to. But it's such a jam-packed leaderboard and there's a stretch of holes where you can really get after it. So, if I'm kind of hanging around through 8 then I think I have a decent chance."

For the full leaderboard click [here](#).

### FINAL ROUND SCHEDULE

Final round tee times will run from 10:30 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. with threesomes off the first and ninth tees. The expected finish time is 6:00 p.m., with the trophy presentation to follow. For the full list of pairing click [here](#).

### CANADIAN LEADERBOARD

POS	NAME	SCORES	TOTAL
T15	Nick Taylor	70-68-65	-5

T19	Corey Conners	69-70-66	-4
T29	Adam Svensson	70-68-67	-3
T35	Adam Hadwin	72-68-69	-2
T41	Makenzie Hughes	71-69-68	-1
T53	Aaron Cockerill	71-69-73	+1
MC	Roger Sloan	70-72	+2
MC	Stuart Macdonald	70-72	+2
MC	Mike Weir	72-70	+2
MC	David Hearn	72-72	+4
MC	A.J. Ewart	73-72	+5
MC	Jared du Toit	71-74	+5
MC	Wess Heffernan	74-72	+6
MC	Myles Creighton	72-74	+6
MC	Max Sekulic	75-75	+10
MC	Brendan Leonard	78-72	+10
MC	Johnny Travale	76-76	+12
MC	Callum Davison	76-77	+13
MC	Albin Choi	78-77	+15

Click [here](#) for the full tournament leaderboard.

#### **PRESS CONFERENCE TRANSCRIPTS**

The following player transcripts from Friday's press conferences at St. George's Golf & Country Club are available online for the following:

[Rory McIlroy](#)

[Wyndham Clark](#)

[Sam Burns](#)

[Tony Finau](#)

[Justin Thomas](#)

[Nick Taylor](#)

[Sebastian Munoz](#)

[Adam Svensson](#)

[Corey Conners](#)

[Bo Van Pelt](#)

[Mackenzie Hughes](#)

[Nick Hardy](#)

#### **RBC CANADIAN OPEN FAST FACTS**

- Number of times a leader went on to win (1945-present) after 54 Holes – 51 times
- Last to defend the RBC Canadian Open title successfully - Jhonattan Vegas, 2017
- Lowest Canadian score, 54 Holes – Adam Hadwin (65-66-67) Hamilton G&CC, Hamilton ON, 2019
- Last winner who won the RBC Canadian Open on his first try- Rory McIlroy, 2019.
- Last player to win a PGA TOUR event (non-major) back-to-back at two different courses was Jim Furyk, who won in 2006 at Hamilton G&CC and then defended his title at Angus Glen Golf Course (North) in 2007.

#### **PURCHASE TICKETS FOR THE GOLF CANADA FOUNDATION 50/50 RAFFLE IN SUPPORT OF FIRST TEE - CANADA**

From Wednesday afternoon through Sunday week, Golf Canada Foundation will be selling 50/50 tickets on-site at the RBC Canadian Open & CP Women's Open tournaments. The draw will take place Sunday evening, with the winning number announced here on the Foundation website and across social media channels. Proceeds from the raffle in support of the First Tee – Canada, the official beneficiary of the RBC Canadian Open, will benefit junior golf initiatives and help to grow the game in Ontario and across the nation. Click [here](#) for more information.

#### **2022 MEDIA GUIDE AND PLAYER PERFORMANCE BOOK:**

Media can also [download the 2022 RBC Canadian Open Media Guide](#) for complete stats, records and historical information. Media can also [download the 2019 RBC Canadian Open Player Performance Book](#) which details individual player statistics from 1904-2019. Tournament notes can be found on the PGA TOUR virtual media centre [here](#).

#### **BROADCAST COVERAGE:**

The following are broadcast times for the 2022 RBC Canadian Open:

Sunday, June 12th      1:00pm – 3:00pm (GOLF) | 3:00pm – 6:00pm (CTV; TSN1; RDS; CBS)

#### **MOBILE APP EXPERIENCE**

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### **THE OPEN QUALIFYING**

The 2022 RBC Canadian Open is also part of The Open Championship Qualifying Series. The top-2 finishers at the RBC Canadian Open (not otherwise exempt) earn a spot in the field of The 150th Open Championship, July 10-17, 2022, at St Andrews in Fife, Scotland.

### **PHOTOS**

Photos from the 2022 RBC Canadian Open are available for editorial purposes. Please contact [Sarah Marcucci](#) for access to download in high-resolution.

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