

# COREY CONNERS HOLDS SHARE OF OPENING-ROUND LEAD AT THE RBC CANADIAN OPEN



*Tee times for the second round of the 2023 RBC Canadian Open*

*Friday is Red & White Day at Oakdale Golf & Country Club*

*RBCxMusic Concert Series set for Friday & Saturday*

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**Thursday, June 8, 2023** – Corey Connors fired a 5-under 67 on Thursday and is co-leader along with Aaron Rai, Justin Lower and Chesson Hadley after the opening round of the RBC Canadian Open.

Connors recorded five birdies and a bogey free round on Thursday. The Listowel, Ont. native now has a streak of 51 consecutive holes without a bogey at the RBC Canadian Open dating back to the third round of last year's tournament.

Click here for [more](#).

## **PRESS CONFERENCE TRANSCRIPTS**

The following player transcripts from Thursday's opening round at Oakdale Golf & Country Club are available online:

[Chesson Hadley](#)

[Matt Fitzpatrick](#)

[Ludvig Aberg](#)

[Rory McIlroy](#)

[Justin Rose](#)

[Justin Lower](#)

[Aaron Rai](#)

## **CANADIAN LEADERBOARD**

<b>T1</b>	<b>Corey Connors</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>-5</b>
<b>T14</b>	<b>Roger Sloan</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>-3</b>
<b>T14</b>	<b>Mackenzie Hughes</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>-3</b>
<b>T14</b>	<b>Taylor Pendrith</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>-3</b>
<b>T37</b>	<b>Ben Silverman</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>T37</b>	<b>Adam Hadwin</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>T70</b>	<b>Mike Weir</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>E</b>
<b>T70</b>	<b>Aaron Cockerill</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>E</b>
<b>T84</b>	<b>Drew Nesbitt</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>+1</b>
<b>T84</b>	<b>Étienne Papineau</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>+1</b>
<b>T84</b>	<b>Johnny Travale (a)</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>+1</b>
<b>T84</b>	<b>Adam Svensson</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>+1</b>
<b>T84</b>	<b>Stuart Macdonald</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>+1</b>
<b>T107</b>	<b>Will Bateman</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>+2</b>

<b>T120</b>	<b>Nick Taylor</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>+3</b>
<b>T120</b>	<b>Michael Gligic</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>+3</b>
<b>T134</b>	<b>David Hearn</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>+4</b>
<b>T143</b>	<b>Taylor Durham (a)</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>+5</b>
<b>T143</b>	<b>Myles Creighton</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>+5</b>
<b>155</b>	<b>Sebastian Szirmak</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>+9</b>
<b>156</b>	<b>Daniel Kim</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>+ 10</b>

### **TEE TIMES FOR SECOND ROUND OF THE RBC CANADIAN OPEN**

Pairings and start times for the second round of the 112th playing of Canada's National Men's Open Championship on Friday, June 9 are available online [here](#).

### **FRIDAY IS RED & WHITE DAY**

The tradition returns on Friday with the annual Red and White Day at the RBC Canadian Open. On Friday June 8th, spectators, staff, and fans are encouraged to wear the nation's colours while cheering on the Canadian contingent chasing a PGA TOUR title on home soil.

### **SPECTATOR PARKING FOR THE RBC CANADIAN OPEN**

Due to extremely high demand of pre-paid parking, RBC Canadian Open spectator parking at Downsview Park is now **completely sold out for Friday, June 9, Saturday, June 10 and Sunday, June 11**. Spectators traveling to the RBC Canadian Open are encouraged to utilize TTC services, rideshare/car hire and to please consider carpooling. As a reminder, there is no public parking onsite at Oakdale or in the surrounding neighbourhood.

### **Via TTC:**

**Subway:** Downsview Park Station is the nearest subway station to Oakdale Golf & Country Club. Spectators will be able to access a free shuttle from Downsview Park to the golf course and the concert site.

**Bus:** Oakdale Golf & Country Club is accessible via multiple Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) bus routes to the Jane Street at Troutbrooke Dr stop · 400 m (5 min) walk.

**Rideshare/ Taxi:**

Ride share vehicles and other for hire vehicles will be directed to a designated area just off of Jane Street, steps from the golf course and the concert site. The ride share drop off is on Troutbrook Drive.

**RBCxMUSIC CONCERT SERIES SET FOR FRIDAY & SATURDAY**

Returning again, as part of the RBCxMusic Concert Series, is the SiriusXM Stage; it features local acts who have the chance to perform in The Fare Way, a hub for spectator activities that promote more than just golf. On Friday & Saturday night, following the golf, two local artists get the opportunity to shine. Friday sees [Avry](#) and [Liyah Katana](#) take the stage at 7:00 p.m. for 30-minute sets before the Black Eyed Peas. On Saturday, [Luna Elle](#) and [Skye Wallace](#) perform on the SiriusXM Stage before fans turn their attention to headliner Alanis Morissette later that night.

**BROADCAST COVERAGE**

**Friday, June 9 – all times ET**

TSN 1/4, RDS 2, Golf Channel, Golf Channel.com 3:00pm-6:00pm

TSN 4 – PGA TOUR Live Featured Group 7:30am-3:00pm

**Saturday, June 10 – all times ET**

TSN 4/5, RDS 2 2:30pm-7:30pm  
Golf Channel, Golf Channel.com 2:30pm-5:30pm  
CTV 2, CBS 5:30pm-7:30pm

**Sunday, June 11 – all times ET**

TSN 4/5, RDS 2 1:30pm-6:30pm  
CTV 2, CBS 2:30pm-6:30pm  
Golf Channel, Golf Channel.com 1:30pm-2:30pm

**RBC CANADIAN OPEN – MEDIA GUIDE & PLAYER PERFORMANCE GUIDE...**

Below are links to the RBC Canadian Open Media Guide as well as the all-time Player Performance Guide:

[\*\*2023 RBC Canadian Open Media Guide\*\*](#)

[\*\*RBC Canadian Open – All-Time Player Performance Guide\*\*](#)

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***FIELD FOR THE 2023 RBC CANADIAN OPEN...***

[Click here](#) for the full current list of competitors competing in the 2023 RBC Canadian Open, June 6-11 at Oakdale Golf and Country in Toronto.

Tickets for the 2023 RBC Canadian Open are available [here](#). Children aged 12-and-under get free admission with a ticketed adult.

**About the RBC Canadian Open**

Part of the FedExCup, stars of the PGA TOUR will compete at the RBC Canadian Open, June 6-11, 2023, at Oakdale Golf & Country Club in Toronto, Ont. Conducted by Golf Canada for more than a century, the RBC Canadian Open provides an opportunity for Canada's top talents to compete against the world's best golfers while also creating a positive impact in the event's host community. Established in 1904, Canada's national open golf championship is the third-oldest national open golf championship worldwide next to the British Open and the U.S. Open. The RBC Canadian Open is proudly sponsored by RBC, Audi, theScoreBet, BDO, Transitions, Levelwear, JOURNIE Rewards, Titleist, FootJoy, Hilton, Sleeman, Johnsonville, Think Turkey, Cub Cadet, SiriusXM, The Keg, Sargent Farms, Masi Wines, Cayman Islands, Cottage Springs, Maestro Dobel Tequila, Celebrity Cruises, STALK&BARREL, Matt &

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