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McCarthy Needs an Extra Hole to Win Porter Cup



By Mark Gaughan

Denny McCarthy lived up to his big reputation at the 2015 Porter Cup.

The 22-year-old two-time All-America from the University of Virginia entered the event as the tournament favorite, ranked No. 8 among world amateurs and having just made the cut at the U.S. Open Championship at Chambers Bay.

It took a playoff to do it, but McCarthy claimed the 57th annual event in his fifth try at Niagara Falls Country Club.

McCarthy made par on the first extra hole to a bogey by Carter Jenkins of the University of North Carolina. Both finished 72 holes at 11-under-par 269.

McCarthy went onto represent the United States in the 2015 Walker Cup. As of 2022, he was a veteran of five years on the PGA Tour with more than \$5 million in earnings.

“That’s as good as it gets,” McCarthy said. “It rivaled the U.S. Open, walking up to the 18th green at the U.S. Open, just because this place just means so much to me. Actually, it felt better. I love coming here, and it’s so nice way to finish strong.”

A giant crowd at Niagara Falls Country Club saw a thrilling finish, with Jenkins going birdie-birdie on the par-4 17th and par-3 18th to force the playoff.

“It’s a pretty unique scene,” McCarthy said of the gallery surrounding the 18th green. “I love coming back here. I haven’t been to any other tournament five years in a row, so it says something about the people around here and what I think of this place. It’s incredible.”

A Rockville, Md., native, McCarthy entered the event hot, having won the Carolinas Amateur and the North Carolina state amateur crown. With two previous runner-up finishes at Niagara Falls CC, he goes down as one of the best players ever in the Porter Cup.

“I’ve dreamed about this moment,” McCarthy told the crowd shortly after slipping on the winner’s green jacket. “I can’t describe how sweet it feels.”

2015 PORTER CUP RESULTS

Name	Hometown	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Total to par
1	Denny McCarthy *	Rockville, MD	68	66	67	68 269 -11
2	Carter Jenkins	Raleigh, NC	68	65	68	68 269 -11

3	Gavin Hall	Pittsford, NY	65	67	69	70	271	-9
4	Trevor Cone	Concord, NC	65	68	69	72	274	-6
5	Brett Coletta	Melbourne, VIC, AUST	71	69	70	67	277	-3
t6	Anthony Maccaglia	Tampa, FL	67	74	69	68	278	-2
t6	Kyle Mueller	Watkinsville, GA	68	71	69	70	278	-2
t6	Michael Johnson	Birmingham, AL	68	68	72	70	278	-2
t6	Scott Harvey	Kernersville, NC	64	69	74	71	278	-2
t10	William Gordon	Davidson, NC	73	70	66	70	279	-1
t10	Josh Whalen	Napanee, ON	68	67	72	72	279	-1
t12	Zachary Bauchou	Forest, VA	69	71	72	68	280	E
t12	Ugo Coussaud	Angouleme, FR	70	66	73	71	280	E
t12	Harrison Endycott	Sydney, NSW, AUST	70	71	68	71	280	E
t12	Vincent Whaley	McKinney, TX	69	72	67	72	280	E
t16	Will Thomson	Pittsford, NY	68	74	69	70	281	+1
t16	Blair Hamilton	Burlington, ON	66	74	70	71	281	+1
t16	Chelso Barrett	Surry, NH	67	74	67	73	281	+1
t19	Dru Love	Sea Island, GA	73	71	69	69	282	+2
t19	George Cunningham	Tucson, AZ	68	73	71	70	282	+2
t19	Daniel Hudson	Western Springs, IL	71	69	71	71	282	+2
t19	Will Murphy	Columbia, SC	69	66	75	72	282	+2
t19	Jaime Lopez Rivarola	Buenos Aires, ARG	75	70	66	71	282	+2
t19	John VanDerLaan	Southbury, CT	71	70	68	73	282	+2
t19	Austin James	Bath, ON	72	69	68	73	282	+2
t19	Eric Banks	Truro, NS	67	71	69	75	282	+2
t27	Travis Smyth	Shellharbour, NSW, AUST	70	70	70	73	283	+3
t27	Luke Toomey	Hamilton, NZ	69	74	67	73	283	+3
t27	Sean Elliott	Sandy Springs, GA	66	75	68	74	283	+3
t27	Ryan Troyer	Dover, OH	67	72	69	75	283	+3
31	Rigel Fernandes	Mangalore, II	69	68	72	75	284	+4
t32	Travis Woolf	Fort Worth, TX	71	70	74	70	285	+5
t32	Sean Kelly	Staten Island, NY	68	70	74	73	285	+5
t32	Patrick Flavin	Highwood, IL	71	74	67	73	285	+5
t32	Mike McCoy	Des Moines, IA	73	69	68	75	285	+5
t36	Alejandro Tosti	Rosario, ARG	75	70	70	71	286	+6
t36	Danny Yustin	East Amherst, NY	68	72	73	73	286	+6
t36	Chris Hickman	Centreville, MD	73	72	69	72	286	+6
t36	Dale Brandt-Richards	Newport, NSW, AUST	72	70	71	73	286	+6
t36	Matias Simaski	Pilar, ARG	70	70	72	74	286	+6

41	Jake McLeod	Townsville QLD, AUST	74	71	72	70	287	+7
t42	David Snyder	McAllen, TX	66	77	74	71	288	+8
t42	Kevin DeHuff	Coto de Caza, CA	71	70	75	72	288	+8
t42	Thadd Obecnycy II	Wheeling, WV	70	76	70	72	288	+8
t42	Ben Reichert	East Amherst, NY	72	72	70	74	288	+8
t46	Kyle Rodes	Plymouth, MI	71	73	73	72	289	+9
t46	Viraj Madappa	Kolkata, II	70	74	73	72	289	+9
t46	Josh Munn	Palmerston North, NZ	68	77	71	73	289	+9
t46	Taylor Funk	Ponte Vedra Beach, FL	68	75	71	75	289	+9
t50	Derek Bard	New Hartford, NY	73	70	72	75	290	+10
t50	Mike Stamberger	Brielle, NJ	74	69	72	75	290	+10
52	Tim Mickelson	Scottsdale, AZ	71	71	76	73	291	+11
t53	James Clark	Columbus, GA	71	76	76	69	292	+12
t53	Elliott Whitley	Hamilton, ON	74	76	70	72	292	+12
t53	Zach Seabolt	Raleigh, NC	67	79	71	75	292	+12
t56	Alastair Tidcombe	Bedford, NS	72	72	74	75	293	+13
t56	Justin Tereshko	Greensboro, NC	73	70	73	77	293	+13
t58	Russell Bowie	Mississauga, ON	77	70	75	72	294	+14
t58	Ben Eccles	Torquay, VIC, AUST	72	73	75	74	294	+14
t58	Caleb Proveaux	Lexington, SC	70	73	76	75	294	+14
t58	Danny Guise	Greenwich, CT	71	76	71	76	294	+14
62	Chase Johnson	Barberton, OH	71	76	73	75	295	+15
t63	Michael Boss	Lewiston, NY	72	75	75	74	296	+16
t63	Troy Moses	Werrington, NSW, AUST	73	71	73	79	296	+16
t65	David French	Camlachie, ON	71	74	81	71	297	+17
t65	Maclain Huge	Lovettsville, VA	73	72	77	75	297	+17
t65	Cody Proveaux	Leesville, SC	76	76	70	75	297	+17
t65	Marc Holzhauer	Clarence Center, NY	72	78	71	76	297	+17
t69	Sean Yu	Beaumont, CA	69	77	79	73	298	+18
t69	Kade McBride	Gold Coast, QLD, AUST	75	75	73	75	298	+18
t69	Jake Katz	Williamsville, NY	76	75	70	77	298	+18
t69	Bobby Holden	Simi Valley, CA	72	74	75	77	298	+18
t73	Jamie Miller	Silver Creek, NY	75	81	68	75	299	+19
t73	Max McGreevy	Edmond, OK	72	72	76	79	299	+19
t75	Hunter Sagar	Bradenton, FL	75	75	73	77	300	+20
t75	Spencer Schindler	St. Augustine, FL	78	70	75	77	300	+20
77	Harris Bundy	Toronto, ON	76	81	72	73	302	+22
78	Tripp Davis	Norman, OK	75	75	74	86	310	+30

*-won playoff