



2017 Farmers Insurance Open
(The 11th of 45 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

San Diego, Calif.	Jan. 23-29, 2017	Purse: \$6,700,000 (\$1,206,000 to the winner)
Torrey Pines Golf Course		500 FedExCup points to winner
South Course (Host)		Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,698
North Course		Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,258

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, January 28, 2017

Weather: Sunny, with a high of 64. Wind NW 8-14 mph.

Because more than 78 players made the 36-hole cut (79), a 54-hole cut reduced the field to 73 professionals at 1-over 217.

Third-Round Leaderboard

Patrick Rodgers	68-72-67—207 (-9)
Brandt Snedeker	68-69-70—207 (-9)
Tony Finau	73-68-67—208 (-8)
C.T. Pan	70-69-69—208 (-8)

Patrick Rodgers

In his second full season as a PGA TOUR member, former Stanford University Cardinal Patrick Rodgers made five birdies and no bogeys in round three to get to 9-under 207 through three rounds.

Rodgers' best position after 54 holes on the PGA TOUR before this week was T4 at the 2015 Wells Fargo Championship. He would finish T2, marking his career-best finish. This marks his first lead/co-lead after any round on the PGA TOUR.

Rodgers, who is making his seventh start of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season, has made just three cuts now. Of the previous two cuts he has made, he finished T21 at the CIMB Classic and T10 at The RSM Classic.

In his only other start in the Farmers Insurance Open, Rodgers missed last year's cut, following rounds of 74-73.

Rodgers is making his 59th professional start on the PGA TOUR this week.

Brandt Snedeker

Beginning the third round one stroke back at 7-under 137, 2012 and 2016 champion Brandt Snedeker started hot, making birdies at Nos. 2 and 3. He would then make 12 pars and a bogey (par-4 12th), before a birdie at the par-4 17th moved him into a tie for the lead at 9-under. A par at the par-5 18th would keep him tied for that lead with Patrick Rodgers.

This marks Snedeker's ninth time to take a lead/co-lead after 54 holes on the PGA TOUR. Of the previous eight, he converted for the win at the 2012 TOUR Championship, 2013 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and 2013 RBC Canadian Open.

In 2012, Snedeker was seven strokes off the lead after 54 holes, before beating Kyle Stanley in sudden death. Last year, he was six strokes back through three rounds, before winning in the Monday finish at Torrey Pines.

The last player to successfully defend his title at the Farmers Insurance Open was Tiger Woods (2005, 2006, 2007, 2008).

Only two players have won three or more Farmers Insurance Open titles in the 54-year history of the tournament (Phil Mickelson – 1993, 2000, 2001; Tiger Woods – 1999, 2003, 2005-08, 2013).

Through 54 holes this week, dating to 2010, Snedeker is 61-under-par at the Farmers Insurance Open.



Players Most Under Par Since 2010	
Player	Score to Par
Brandt Snedeker	-61
Charles Howell III	-43
Marc Leishman	-41
Bill Haas	-33
Nick Watney	-30

Third-round Lead Notes

Since 2000, on just five occasions has a player managed to convert a 54-hole lead/co-lead into victory at the Farmers Insurance Open; Tiger Woods (2003, 2008, 2013), John Daly (2004), and Phil Mickelson (2000).

Through 10 events in the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season, only four of 10 players have carried a third-round lead/co-lead on to victory: Most recently, Justin Thomas achieved the feat at the Sony Open in Hawaii two weeks ago.

The 54-hole lead in 2015 and 2016 was 9-under 207. Since 2010, the lowest 54-hole lead belonged to Kyle Stanley at 18-under in 2012.

The largest final round come-from-behind win at the Farmers Insurance Open is eight shots by Scott Simpson in 1998.

Tony Finau

Making his third start in the Farmers Insurance Open, Tony Finau birdied four of his last six holes en route to a 5-under 67. At 8-under 208, he will begin the final round trailing Patrick Rodgers and Brandt Snedeker by a stroke.

In his two previous starts in the Farmers Insurance Open, Finau finished T24 in 2015 and T18 last year.

Finau is making his seventh start of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season this week, with a T9 at the SBS Tournament of Champions his best showing.

Finau broke into the winner's circle for the first time last season at the Puerto Rico Open, beating Steve Marino in sudden death.

Finau opened with a 1-over 73 on the South Course and was T96.

Cheng Tsung Pan

PGA TOUR rookie C.T. Pan posted a second straight 3-under 69 in round three to get to 8-under 208 and one stroke off Patrick Rodgers' and Brandt Snedeker's lead.

Pan made his way to the PGA TOUR this season by virtue of his 20th-place finish on last year's Web.com Tour priority list. On that Tour last season, he claimed seven top-10 finishes in 22 starts. Pan also spent time on the Mackenzie Tour-PGA TOUR Canada, where he won the 2015 The Players Cup and 2015 Cape Breton Celtic Classic.

Pan is making his 10th start on the PGA TOUR as a professional, with a T6 at this season's The RSM Classic his best showing. This is Pan's eighth start of the season and he is coming off two missed cuts at the Sony Open in Hawaii and CareerBuilder Challenge.

Pan represented Chinese Taipei when golf returned to the Olympics for the first time since 1904 in the Rio 2016 Olympics Games (T30).

Pat Perez

On the heels of a 2-over 74, former San Diego resident and fan-favorite Pat Perez made six birdies and one bogey in round three to get to 7-under 209 through 54 holes. He will begin the final round two strokes back.

Perez, who hit just nine of 18 fairways on the South Course in round two, improved to 14 of 18 in round three.

Perez is making his 16th-consecutive start in the Farmers Insurance Open this week, where he finished T2 in 2014. His only other top-10 finish at Torrey Pines was a T6 in 2005.



Perez, whose father Tony was an announcing starter at the event for over 25 years, spent much of his childhood at Torrey Pines, “working pretty much every job a kid can do here.”

Last November, Perez claimed his second career PGA TOUR victory at the OHL Classic at Mayakoba. He first won the 2009 CareerBuilder Challenge.

Marc Leishman

Making his ninth consecutive start in the Farmers Insurance Open, Australian Marc Leishman made six birdies and two bogeys in round three to post a 4-under 67 and get to 7-under 209.

Leishman has enjoyed a good amount of success at Torrey Pines over the years. Among his three top-10 finishes were a pair of T2s in 2010 and 2014. He finished T9 in 2011. He is coming off a missed cut at last year’s event.

Leishman, winner of the 2014 Travelers Championship, enjoyed a 2015-16 PGA TOUR Season highlighted by eight top-25 finishes, two of which were top-10 showings. In four starts this season before this week, his best showing is solo-fifth at the CIMB Classic.

There are only three international players to win the Farmers Insurance Open: Gary Player (1963), Jose Maria Olazabal (2002) and Jason Day (2015).

Ollie Schniederjans

In his second appearance at the Farmers Insurance Open, PGA TOUR rookie Ollie Schniederjans could manage no better than a 1-under 71 in round three. At 7-under 209, he will begin the final round two strokes back.

In six starts on TOUR this season, the 23-year-old Schniederjans has now made three straight cuts on the heels of three straight missed cuts. His best finish is a T6 at The RSM Classic. The tie for sixth in Sea Island, Georgia is his best showing on TOUR in 20 attempts.

Last season, Schniederjans played on the Web.com Tour where he captured his first win as a professional, the Air Capital Classic. He won the event on the second hole of sudden death over fellow TOUR rookie J.J. Spaun, who is at 6-under 210 through 54 holes this week.

As an amateur, Schniederjans reached the No. 1 in the World Amateur Golf Rankings in June of 2014, a position he held through the summer and fall. He was also named ACC Player of the Year both as a junior and senior at Georgia Tech and became the sixth player in conference history to repeat.

Justin Rose

18- and 36-hole leader Justin Rose struggled in round three, posting a 1-over 73. At 7-under 209, he will begin Sunday’s final round trailing by two strokes.

Rose’s third-round scoring average at the Farmers Insurance Open is 71.75. His only sub-par score in round three was a 2-under 70 in 2012.

Of his seven PGA TOUR wins, Rose has come from behind in the final round four times, most recently at the 2014 Quicken Loans National.

With a win this week, Rose would become the first player to play his first round on the North Course since Ben Crane in 2010.

In seven previous starts at the Farmers Insurance Open, Rose has never finished inside the top 20. His best finish is a T22 in 2010 and he missed the cut in his last two starts (2015, 2016).

Additional Player Notes

Beginning on No. 10, three-time Farmers Insurance Open winner Phil Mickelson posted made five birdies and just one bogey (par-4 12th) to get to 5-under 211 through 54 holes. He will begin Sunday’s final round four strokes back. Mickelson began round three seven back of Rose.



Hunter Mahan, who is at 5-under 211 and four strokes back (T18), made just his third cut in his last 17 starts this week, dating to the 2016 Masters. It is his first made cut since the 2016 Travelers Championship. Mahan's last top-10 finish was a T4 at the 2015 Dell Technologies Championship (TPC Boston).

Here's how the seven past champions stand through 54 holes: Brandt Snedeker (-9/T1), Phi Mickelson (-5/T18), Jason Day (MC), Scott Stallings (MC), Tiger Woods (MC), Ben Crane (MC) and Nick Watney (MC)

Scoring Averages:	R1	R2	R3
South Course	73.615	74.013	71.620
North Course	70.756	71.805	

Hardest/Easiest Holes in Round Three:

Hardest: par-4 12th (4.329)

Easiest: par-5 18th (4.570)

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Beau Hossler (67), Gary Woodland (67).

R2: Tony Finau (68), J.J. Spaun (69), Lucas Glover (70).

R3: Patrick Rodgers (67), Paul Casey (68), Cameron Smith (70)