

2017 Genesis Open Broadcast Window & Pre-Tournament Notes



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ShotLink Keys to Victory for Bubba Watson

Bubba Watson vaulted from 105th to 11th in the FedExCup standings with his victory at the 2016 Genesis Open. Bubba converted just one of his first seven 54-hole leads / co-leads into victories on the PGA TOUR. However, he has since converted 2 of his last 3 into victories including the 2014 Masters and the 2016 Genesis Open.

Fewest Over Par Holes 2016 Genesis Open

Player	#
Bubba Watson	5
Marc Leishman	5
Jason Kokrak	6
6 Players with	7

Scrambling Leaders 2016 Genesis Open

Player	%
Jon Curran	83.3%
Marc Leishman	79.2%
Troy Merritt	76.7%
Bubba Watson	76.2%
Luke Donald	76.0%

Bubba Watson had just 5 over par holes for the week (T-fewest in field with Leishman). He was solid around the greens ranking 4th in the field for Scrambling salvaging par or better on 16 of 21 missed greens (76.2%).

Key Stats: Bubba Watson performed well in a number of areas en route to victory at the 2016 Genesis Open. He was the 5th longest off the tee (all drives) averaging 295.3 yards from the tee out driving the field average by nearly 12 yards. He was solid with his iron play as well ranking T-7th for greens in regulation and 6th for proximity to the hole for the week.

Bubba Watson vs. The Field 2016 Genesis Open

Stat	Rank	Stat	Field Average
Driving Distance - All	5 th	295.3	283.9
Greens in Regulation	T-7	70.8%	61.6%
Proximity to Hole	6 th	32' 6"	39' 2"
Scrambling	4 th	76.2%	59.1%
3-Putt Avoidance	T-1	0%	3.9%
Putting Inside 5'	T-1	100%	94.5%

Watson was 1 of 4 players who went the entire week without missing a putt inside 5 feet. He went a perfect 55 for 55 inside 5 feet.

He was also 1 of 8 players who went the entire week without recording a 3-putt on the greens.

Course & Hole Statistics Riviera CC

Courses with the Most Hole Outs PGA TOUR Since 2012

Rank	Course	Hole outs
1	TPC Southwind	399
2	Harbour Town GL	358
3	TPC San Antonio	336
4	TPC Scottsdale	327
5	TPC Deere Run	325
6	Riviera CC	312

Since the start of the 2012 PGA TOUR season, Riviera has had a total of 312 hole outs. Riviera's 312 hole outs rank 6th among courses with the most hole outs in this timeframe.

Key Course Stats On the Greens (Riviera CC) 2015-16 PGA TOUR Season

Riviera CC was one of the toughest courses to putt on last season ranking 1st in several putting categories including putting from inside 10 feet.

Stat	Rank	Value
Most Three-Putts	8 th	315
Putting Inside 5 Feet	1st	94.53%
Putting Inside 10 Feet	1st	84.69%
Putting Outside 10 Feet	12 th	14.14%
Average Distance of Putts Made	T16	71' 6"

Putting Inside 10 Feet Leaders 2016 Genesis Open

Rank	Player	Average
1	Spencer Levin	97.18
2	Aaron Baddeley	93.85
3	Anirban Lahiri	92.75
4	Tyrone Van Aswegen	91.89
5	Nick Taylor	91.67
5	Bubba Watson	91.67

At the 2016 Genesis Open, players averaged only 84.69% of putts made inside 10 feet. However, Spencer Levin managed to average 97.18% of putts inside 10 feet missing only 2 all week (69 of 71).

Scott Brown led the field in putts made over 10 feet with 12 finishing T-39th. Adam Scott finished T-2nd at the 2016 Genesis Open making 11 putts outside of 10 feet.

Most Putts Made Over 10' 2016 Genesis Open

Rank	Player	Putts Made	Tournament Finish
1	Scott Brown	12	T39
2	Steve Stricker	11	T11
2	Adam Scott	11	T2
4	Hideki Matsuyama	10	T11

Course & Hole Statistics Riviera CC

2015-16 PGA TOUR 1st Hole Par 5 Stats at Riviera CC

Stat	Rank on TOUR	Value
Easiest Holes on TOUR	1 st	4.186
Holes With Most Eagles	2 nd	38
Holes With Most Birdies	1 st	291
Highest Going for Green %	1 st	98.18%
Shortest Par 5's on TOUR	T4	503 Yards

The 1st hole at Riviera CC ranked in the top 5 in a number of categories on TOUR last season.

Holes on TOUR with the Most Eagles Since 2004

Course	Hole	Total Eagles
Riviera CC	1 st	349
Waialae CC	9 th	332
TPC Summerlin	16 th	255
TPC Deere Run	2 nd	236
Sedgefield CC	5 th	232

Since 2004, no other hole has yielded more eagles than the 1st hole at Riviera CC.

349 total eagles have been made on the opening hole at Riviera CC marking the most on any hole on TOUR.

Most Eagles on 1st Hole Since 2004

Player	# of Eagles
Mickelson, Phil	5
Baddeley, Aaron	5
Stricker, Steve	5

Toughest Green to Hit in Regulation 2015-16 PGA TOUR

Rank	Course	Hole	Par	Yardage	%
1	Riviera CC	2	4	471	23.8
2	Harbour Town GL	18	4	472	24.2
3	Pebble Beach GL	12	3	202	28.8
4	Bay Hill Club & Lodge	2	3	231	30.1
5	Quail Hollow Club	18	4	493	30.6

Toughest Par 3 Greens to Hit 2015-16 PGA TOUR

Rank	Course	Hole	Par	Yardage	%
1	Pebble Beach GL	12	3	202	28.89
2	Bay Hill Club & Lodge	2	3	231	30.1
3	Torrey Pines (North)	12	3	234	31.41
4	Innisbrook Resort (Copperhead)	13	3	200	34.19
5	Oakmont CC	8	3	288	36.12
6	Riviera CC	4	3	236	37.05

Broadcast Window Notes

2017 Genesis Open *(featured groups)*

Bubba Watson

2014 & 2016 Genesis Open champion, Bubba Watson is set to make his 11th start at this event and 4th start this season.

Bubba Watson Highest FedExCup Position Thru Week #12 of any PGA TOUR Season

Year	Thru Week 12	Finish
2017	158 th	??
2016	105 th	21 st
2008	79 th	30 th
2009	66 th	53 rd
2007	41 st	37 th
2013	33 rd	37 th

Since 2007, Bubba Watson has ranked outside of the top 30, 6 times at this point of any PGA TOUR season. In his last 2 seasons where he has ranked over 75th after week #12 he has finished inside of the top 30 by seasons end. This season, Bubba ranks 158th in the FedExCup standings and is seeking to make it to the TOUR Championship for the 8th time in his career.

Bubba Watson has been dominating the TOUR off the tee ranking 1st in SG: Off-the-Tee, outperforming the TOUR by +1.363 strokes per round. However, his play from on and around the green have been struggling ranking 206 of 215 ranked players in SG: Around-the-Green & 212 of 215 in SG: Putting.

Bubba Watson On and Around the Greens PGA TOUR This Season

Stat	Rank	Average
SG: Around-the-Green	*206th	-0.565
Scrambling	210 th	50.91%
Strokes Gained: Putting	*212th	-1.228
One-Putt %	215 th	31.67%
Average Dist. of Putts Made	*215th	55' 1"

**of 215 Ranked Players*

Bubba Watson has the longest average Driving Distance at Riviera CC, averaging 310.1 yards off of the tee.

Longest Driving Distance Average at Riviera CC (min 13 Rounds)

Player	Distance
Watson, Bubba	310.1
Bradley, Keegan	303.8
Garrigus, Robert	303.5
Holmes, J.B.	301.6
Johnson, Dustin	301.3
Kokrak, Jason	301.2

SG: Off-the-Tee Leaders 2016-17 PGA TOUR

Rank	Player	Average
1	Bubba Watson	+1.363
2	Dustin Johnson	+1.330
3	Justin Rose	+1.049
4	Jon Rahm	+0.969
5	Justin Thomas	+0.932

Bubba Watson has ranked inside the top 3 in SG: Off-the-Tee in every season since 2010. This season is no different outperforming the TOUR by over a shot per round from off the tee.

Jordan Spieth

Jordan Spieth picked up his 9th PGA TOUR victory becoming the 2nd youngest player to win 9 times on TOUR since WWII (Tiger Woods (23,5) 1999 Memorial Tournament, Jack Nicklaus (24) 1964 WMPO)). Spieth moved from 16th to 3rd in the FedExCup standings with his win at the 2017 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

Most Weeks Ranked Inside Top 15 of FedExCup Standings PGA TOUR Since 2013

Player	# of Weeks
Jordan Spieth	112
Dustin Johnson	108
Patrick Reed	100
Brandt Snedeker	98
Jimmy Walker	96

Jordan Spieth tied Jason Day for the most victories since the start of the 2013 PGA TOUR season. Jordan recorded his 9th victory in his 100th professional start on the PGA TOUR.

Most Victories PGA TOUR Since 2013

Player	Starts	# of Wins
Jordan Spieth	100	9
Jason Day	79	9
Rory McIlroy	64	7
Jimmy Walker	106	6
Dustin Johnson	86	6

Jordan Spieth PGA TOUR Events with 4 or Fewer Bogeys (4 round events)

Year	Tournament	Finish	Bogeys
2016	SBS Tournament of Champions	Won	2
2014	SBS Tournament of Champions	2	2
2015	Shell Houston Open	T2	3
2013	Puerto Rico Open	T2	3
2017	AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am	Won	4
2015	PGA Championship	2	4
2013	Dell Technologies Championship	T4	4

For the week, Jordan Spieth only recorded 4 bogeys including his bogey-free final round 70. His bogey-free final round marked his 35th bogey-free round in his PGA TOUR career & the 2nd time he has won and made 4 or fewer bogeys in a 4 round PGA TOUR event.

Jordan Spieth Most Greens In Regulation En Route to Victory on the PGA TOUR

Year	Tournament	Rank	%	GIR's
2016	SBS Tournament of Champions	11	83.33	60
2017	AT&T Pebble Beach	3rd	79.17	57
2015	U.S. Open	5	76.39	55
2015	Masters Tournament	2	75	54
2015	John Deere Classic	33	72.22	52
2013	John Deere Classic	34	72.22	52
2016	DEAN & DELUCA Invitational	17	70.83	51
2015	TOUR Championship	9	65.28	47
2015	Valspar Championship	32	63.89	46

Jordan Spieth hit 18 of his last 20 GIR's to close out his win at the 2017 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. For the week, Spieth hit 57 of 72 greens in regulation marking the 2nd most GIR's en route to victory of his 9 wins on TOUR.

Hideki Matsuyama

Hideki recorded his 4th career PGA TOUR victory defeating Webb Simpson in a Playoff at the 2017 Waste Management Phoenix Open. Matsuyama leads the FedExCup standings ranking 1st in the standings for his 7th week this season.

Hideki Matsuyama Weeks Ranked 1st In FedExCup Standings

Stat	First 130 Weeks	Last 10 Weeks
Weeks Ranked #1	0	7

Hideki Matsuyama has recorded 26 consecutive rounds at par or better dating back to the 3rd round of the TOUR Championship last season. Matsuyama is a combined 94-under par this season, marking the most under par of any player on TOUR.

Current Best Par or Better Streak PGA TOUR This Season

Rank	Player	Current Streak
1	Hideki Matsuyama	26
2	Bill Haas	23
3	Ollie Schniederjans	20
4	Jordan Spieth	17
5	Ryan Moore	12

Most Under Par PGA TOUR This Season

Player	Score to Par
Matsuyama, Hideki	-94
Thomas, Justin	-90
Steele, Brendan	-85
List, Luke	-84
Howell III, Charles	-83

Bill Haas

2011 FedExCup Champion & 2012 Genesis Open Champion, Bill Haas is set to make his 12th start at the Genesis open. Haas is 1 of 3 players who have won the FedExCup and qualified for the FEC Playoffs in all 10 seasons of the FedExCup.

Past FedExCup Champions who Qualified for FedExCup Playoffs every season

Player	Year Won	# of Times in Playoffs
Snedeker, Brandt	2012	10
Furyk, Jim	2010	10
Haas, Bill	2011	10

Bill Haas is off to a solid start this season finishing inside the top-25 in all 5 starts. Haas is 1 of 4 players with 4 or more starts who have finished inside the top-25 in every start.

Finished Inside Top-25 In every Start This Season (min 4 starts)

Player	# of Starts	Top 25's	Percent
Haas, Bill	5	5	100%
Leishman, Marc	5	5	100%
Spieth, Jordan	4	4	100%
Molinari, Francesco	4	4	100%

Justin Thomas

Currently age 23, Thomas is just the 4th player with 3 or more PGA TOUR victories before turning 24 in the FedExCup era (Spieth - 9, McIlroy - 6 & Reed - 3). Justin Thomas trails FedExCup points leader Hideki Matsuyama by 83 points. Justin Thomas is the only player who could overtake the #1 position in the FedExCup standings this week.

Top 5 Players in FedExCup and How Points Behind

Rank	Player	Points	Points behind Lead
1	Hideki Matsuyama	1,697	---
2	Justin Thomas	1,614	83
3	Jordan Spieth	910	787
4	Pat Perez	907	790
5	Brendan Steele	827	870

Since the start of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR season no one has more rounds of 67 or better and more birdies than Justin Thomas. In this timeframe Justin has 54 rounds of 67 or better and has recorded 925 total birdies.

Most Rounds of 67 or better Since Start of 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season

Player	# of Rounds
Thomas, Justin	54
Spieth, Jordan	52
Howell III, Charles	49
Piercy, Scott	48
Kisner, Kevin	47

Most Birdies Since Start of 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season

Player	# of Birdies
Thomas, Justin	925
Finau, Tony	911
Lee, Danny	887
Reed, Patrick	881
Swafford, Hudson	879

Justin Thomas Key Stats This Season vs. TOUR Avg.

Stat	Thomas	TOUR Avg.
SG: Tee-to-Green	+2.126	---
% of Yardage covered by Tee Shot	67.1% (2nd)	62.7%
Fairway Proximity	24' 6" (2nd)	30' 8"
Putting Average	1.662 (2 nd)	1.771
SG: Total	+2.824 (1 st)	---

Justin Thomas is covering over 67% of yardage on par 4's & 5's by his tee shot averaging 309.6 yards off the tee. This season, Justin Thomas is averaging over 6 feet closer on approach shots from the fairway than the TOUR average of 30' 8".

Jason Day

Jason Day is in search of his 11th PGA TOUR victory and 10th since the start of the 2013 PGA TOUR season. Day is coming off of a T-5th place finish at last week's AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and was the 3rd biggest mover in the FedExCup standings going from 131st to 75th in the FEC standings.

Biggest Movers in FedExCup Standings at AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am

Player	Finish	Last Week	This Week	Movement
Kelly Kraft	2	105	20	+85
Dustin Johnson	3	96	33	+63
Jason Day	T5	131	75	+56
Seung-Yul Noh	T8	126	78	+48
Nick Watney	T14	184	138	+46

Putting Average Leaders

2017 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am

Rank	Player	Avg
1	Jason Day	1.620
2	Jordan Spieth	1.667
2	Zac Blair	1.667
2	Patrick Reed	1.667
5	Brandt Snedeker	1.673

Jason day led the field in Putting Average at last week's AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am needing only 81 putts on 50 greens hit in regulation.

Strokes Gained: Putting Leader: Jason Day led the 2015-16 PGA TOUR for Strokes Gained: Putting outperforming the TOUR by +1.130 strokes per round. Jason Day set the ShotLink record for best SG: Putting average in history. The previous single season record was Jesper Parnevik in 2007 outperforming the TOUR by +0.979 strokes per round on the greens. Last season, Day beat Parnevik's record by +0.151 per round.

Best Strokes Gained: Putting In a Season PGA TOUR Since 2004

Year	Player	Average
2016	Day, Jason	+1.130
2007	Parnevik, Jesper	+0.979
2008	Pavin, Corey	+0.973
2005	Crane, Ben	+0.939
2009	Donald, Luke	+0.934

Jason Day SG: Putting Last 4 Seasons on TOUR

Last Season	2014-15	2013-14	2013
+1.130	+0.586	+0.317	+0.370
1st	6 th	29 th	30 th

Jim Furyk

Jim Furyk is set to make his 4th start this season and 20th start at the Genesis Open. The 2010 FedExCup champion currently ranks 117th in the FedExCup standings. Furyk has 8 top-25 finishes at the Genesis Open including 4 straight from 2012 to 2015.

Jim Furyk Rounds 1 & 2 vs. 3 & 4 At Riviera CC

Stat	1 & 2	3 & 4
Scoring Average	71.15	69.83
Rounds in 60's	8	13
Score to Par	6	-35

Most Bogey Free Rounds PGA TOUR Since 1994

Player	# of Rounds
Furyk, Jim	209
Kelly, Jerry	140
Howell III, Charles	136
Estes, Bob	136

Phil Mickelson

2008 & 2009 Genesis Open champion, Phil Mickelson is set to make his 16th start at this event. Mickelson is 56-under par since 2007, marking the most under par of any player at this event. In 399 weeks in FedExCup history, Phil Mickelson has spent 253 weeks inside of the top 30 of the FedExCup standings.

Phil Mickelson FedExCup Career Breakdown

Stat	# of Weeks
Possible Weeks	399
Inside top 125	350
Inside top 100	346
Inside Top 70	305
Inside Top 30	253

Most Under Par at Riviera CC Since 2007

Player	Score to Par
Mickelson, Phil	-56
Choi, K.J.	-55
Johnson, Dustin	-48
Stricker, Steve	-44
Holmes, J.B.	-43
Furyk, Jim	-32

Sergio Garcia

Sergio Garcia is set to make his 3rd start of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR season and 11th at the Genesis Open. Sergio Garcia missed the cut at this event last season for only the 2nd time in his career (2003 & 2016). Since 2001, Sergio Garcia has 7 top 25 finishes at the Genesis open 2nd most to K.J. Choi with 8.

Most Top 25 Finishes Genesis Since 2001

Player	Top 25's	# of Starts
Choi, K.J.	8	16
Garcia, Sergio	7	10
Furyk, Jim	7	13
Allenby, Robert	7	16
Holmes, J.B.	7	10

Sergio Garcia FedExCup Ranks Last 5 Seasons

Year	Rank
Last Season	32nd
2014-15	53rd
2013-14	13 th
2013	22 nd
2012	17 th

Sergio Garcia narrowly missed the TOUR Championship last season finishing 32nd in the final standings. After 3 straight appearances at the TOUR Championship from 2012 to 2013-14 PGA TOUR season, Sergio has finished outside of the top-30 in the last two PGA TOUR seasons.

Dustin Johnson

Dustin Johnson is set to make his 10th start at the Genesis Open and has finished inside the top-5 in 5 of his last 7 starts at this event. Dustin has totaled 6 top-10's at this event marking the most top-10's at any event on TOUR that he has played without a victory.

Most Rounds of 67 or Better Riviera CC Since 2008

Player	# of Rounds
Johnson, Dustin	10
Holmes, J.B.	9
Choi, K.J.	7
Stricker, Steve	7

Since 2008, no one has more rounds of 67 or better at Riviera CC than Dustin Johnson. In 32 rounds played at Riviera CC, Dustin Johnson has played 10 of them at 67 or better.

Dustin Johnson Most Top-10's In an Event Without a Victory on TOUR

Event	Starts	Top 10's
Genesis Open	9	6
AT&T Byron Nelson	7	4
PGA Championship	7	4
TOUR Championship	7	4
The OPEN Championship	8	3
Dell Technologies Champ.	7	3

Justin Rose

Justin Rose is set to make his 11th appearance at the Genesis Open with his best finish coming in 2011 where he finished T-9th. Rose is coming off a T-39th place finish at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. Rose currently ranks 17th in the FedExCup standings on the strength of 2 top-5 finishes (2nd Sony Open & T-4th Farmers Insurance Open).

Justin Rose

SG: Off-the-Tee – Since 2013-14

Year	Average (Rank)
This Season	+1.049 (3rd)
Last Season	+0.678 (5 th)
2014-15	+0.550 (12 th)
2013-14	+0.402 (30 th)

Justin Rose has continued to improve his play from off the tee gaining +0.402 strokes per round in the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season to +1.049 this season in SG: Off-the-Tee.

Adam Scott

Adam Scott is set to make his 9th start at the Genesis Open. After finishing 106th in the final 2015 FedExCup standings recording only 3 top-10 finishes, Adam Scott had 2 wins last season and finished 4th in the final FedExCup standings.

Adam Scott FedExCup Rankings Since 2010

Year	FedExCup Rank
2016	4th
2015	106th
2014	12 th
2013	4 th
2012	25 th
2011	16 th
2010	19 th

Year in and year out, Adam Scott is one of the TOUR's best ball strikers ranking outside of the top 20 in Strokes Gained: Tee-to-Green only once in his last 7 PGA TOUR seasons. However, on the greens he has struggled only ranking inside the top 100 in Strokes Gained: Putting in one season of his last 7 on TOUR.

Adam Scott Strokes Gained: Tee-to-Green vs. Strokes Gained: Putting PGA TOUR Since 2010

Year	SG: Tee-to-Green	SG: Putting
Last Season	1 st	129 th
2014-15	37 th	158 th
2013-14	6 th	55th
2013	5 th	103 rd
2012	7 th	132 nd
2011	20 th	143 rd
2010	1 st	186 th