



THE NORTHERN TRUST 2017

(The 1st of 4 events in the FedExCup Playoffs)

Old Westbury, NY
Glen Oaks Club

August 24-27, 2017

FedExCup Points: 2000

Purse: \$8,750,000

Par-Yards: 35-35—70/7,346

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, August 27, 2017

Weather: Mostly sunny with a high of 76. Winds ESE at 6-12 mph.

Final-Round leaders

*Dustin Johnson	65-69-67-66—267 (-13)
Jordan Spieth	69-65-64-69—267 (-13)
Jhonattan Vegas	69-65-72-65—271 (-9)
Jon Rahm	68-68-67-68—271 (-9)
Paul Casey	69-68-66-71—274 (-6)

*Won sudden death playoff with a birdie 3 at first extra hole (18th hole)

Dustin Johnson (No. 1 in the FedExCup)

In a bid to join Justin Thomas with four victories this season, Dustin Johnson entered the final round of THE NORTHERN TRUST trailing Jordan Spieth by three strokes. Spieth extended that lead to five strokes after five holes before suffering a double bogey at No. 6 to give Johnson hope. With birdies at the 9th and 10th holes, Johnson completely erased the margin to tie the lead at 11-under. Two additional birdies saw both players finish tied at 13-under 267. After a 341-yard tee shot on the playoff hole, Johnson prevailed with a stellar shot from 95 yards to inside four feet and made the putt to win and take over the No. 1 position from Hideki Matsuyama in the FedExCup.

Johnson won his 16th PGA TOUR title in his 218th start at the age of 33 years, 2 months, 5 days.

FedExCup Playoffs starts (including this week) – 30

FedExCup Playoffs wins – 4 (2011 & 2017 THE NORTHERN TRUST, 2016 & 2010 BMW Championship)

FedExCup Playoffs top-5s – 9

FedExCup Playoffs top-10s – 16

Dustin Johnson's 16 PGA TOUR victories:

2008 – Turning Stone Resort Championship

2009 – AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am

2010 – AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, BMW Championship

2011 – THE NORTHERN TRUST

2012 – FedEx St. Jude Classic

2013 – Tournament of Champions

2014 – World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions

2015 – World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship

2016 – U.S. Open, WGC-Bridgestone Invitational, BMW Championship

2017 – Genesis Open

2017 – World Golf Championships-Mexico Championship

2017 – World Golf Championships-Dell Technologies Match Play

2017 – THE NORTHERN TRUST

With the victory, Johnson collects 2,000 FedExCup points and moves from No. 4 in the standings to No. 1 with 4,466 points, 1,200 ahead of Jordan Spieth. Last year, it took 633 to qualify for the Dell Technologies Championship, 853 for BMW Championship and 1,607 for the TOUR Championship.

Johnson now owns a 1-1 playoff record and won a playoff for the first time to claim a PGA TOUR title.

DUSTIN JOHNSON (1-1)

Lost to James Hahn, 2015 Genesis Open

Defeated Jordan Spieth, 2017 THE NORTHERN TRUST

Last year, Johnson's T18 at THE NORTHERN TRUST was his weakest performance in the four FedExCup Playoff events (T8/Dell Technologies Championship, 1/BMW Championship, T6/TOUR Championship) while finishing No.

2 behind Rory McIlroy in the FedExCup. Johnson is seeking to advance to the TOUR Championship for the eighth time in his career.

Johnson sits atop the 2017 U.S. Presidents Cup team list with 10,353 points.

Johnson (4) joins Justin Thomas (4) with the most victories this season. Hideki Matsuyama (3) and Jordan Spieth (3) are additional multiple winners on the PGA TOUR this season.

Johnson has now finished in the top-25 in 51 percent of the PGA TOUR events he has played during his career – 111 top-25 finishes in 218 PGA TOUR starts.

Johnson (16/2008-present) has at least one win in each of his first ten seasons on the PGA TOUR (the best current streak) and joins Arnold Palmer (17/1955-1971), Jack Nicklaus (17/1962-1978) and Tiger Woods (14/1996-2009) as the only players since 1960 to achieve this feat.

Last season, Johnson claimed the Jack Nicklaus Trophy as PGA TOUR Player of the Year. He also took home the Byron Nelson Award for Adjusted Scoring Average (69.172) and the Arnold Palmer Award as the TOUR's leading money-winner (\$9,365,185).

Following his first victory of the season at the Genesis Open, Johnson won the World Golf Championships-Mexico Championship in his next start. His third win of the season in three consecutive starts, at the World Golf Championships-Dell Technologies Match Play, made him the first player to win each of the four World Golf Championships events, completing the 'WGC Slam'.

Johnson also took the No. 1 spot in the FedExCup standings after the win in Austin, Texas, and held it for 17 straight events before relinquishing it to Jordan Spieth at The Open. After injuring his back in a fall on the eve of the Masters, Johnson withdrew from the first major of the season. He returned to the TOUR with a T2 at the Wells Fargo Championship and posted just one additional top-10 result (T8/RBC Canadian Open) before the FedExCup Playoffs began.

This marked Johnson's ninth appearance at THE NORTHERN TRUST, an event he also won in 2011 (shortened due to Hurricane Irene). He has three additional top-10 finishes along with his victories in 2011 and 2017 (T3/2012, T9/2015, T9/2010) as well as a T15 in 2009 and missed cuts in both 2013 and 2008.

2016-17 starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 17-14-8-4

PGA TOUR career starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 218-174-77-16

Johnson's Statistics By Round:

R1: 12/14 fairways, 16/18 greens, 29 putts
R2: 10/14 fairways, 14/18 greens, 29 putts
R3: 10/14 fairways, 13/18 greens, 28 putts
R4: 10/14 fairways, 13/18 greens, 28 putts

Johnson's Strokes Gained Summary (week):

Off-the-Tee	+5.320 (1 st)
Approach-the-Green	+7.258 (2 nd)
Around-the-Green	+1.734 (21 st)
Putting	+2.661 (24 th)
Total	+16.973 (1st)

Full name: Dustin Hunter Johnson

Height: 6-4 **Weight:** 190

Birthday: June 22, 1984

Birthplace: Columbia, South Carolina

Residence: Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Family: Tatum (1/19/15), River (6/12/17)

Turned professional: 2007

Third-Round Lead Notes

25 of 49 third-round leaders have won THE NORTHERN TRUST since its inception in 1967, most recently by Jason Day (tied) in 2015 at Plainfield Country Club. The 54-hole lead stats at THE NORTHERN TRUST do not include the rain-shortened 1998 or 2011 events.

Through 43 stroke-play events this season, 13 players have managed to hang on for the win after holding the 54-hole lead. Most recently, Henrik Stenson at the Wyndham Championship.

Jordan Spieth (No. 2 in the FedExCup)

Jordan Spieth began the final round with a three-stroke lead and extended it to five before posting his only double bogey of the tournament at the par-3 6th hole when he hit his tee shot in the water. After a bogey at the ninth hole and a birdie by Johnson at No. 10, the pair were tied at 11-under. They finished tied at 13-under before lost the first extra hole to a Johnson birdie, falling to 4-3 in playoffs.

JORDAN SPIETH (4-3)

Defeated Zach Johnson and David Hearn, 2013 John Deere Classic
Lost to Patrick Reed, 2013 Wyndham Championship
Defeated Patrick Reed and Sean O'Hair, 2015 Valspar Championship
Lost to J.B. Holmes, 2015 Shell Houston Open
Defeated Tom Gillis, 2015 John Deere Classic
Defeated Daniel Berger, 2017 Travelers Championship
Lost to Dustin Johnson, 2017 THE NORTHERN TRUST

Spieth, the 2015 FedExCup champion, is hoping to join Tiger Woods (2007, 2009) as the only multiple winners of the FedExCup.

Spieth has finished in the top-10 in 49 of 124 PGA TOUR starts – or 40 percent of his starts.

This marked Spieth's 15th 54-hole lead/co-lead on the PGA TOUR, converting nine of his last 11 into victory:

Spieth's 54-hole leads/co-leads	Result
2014 Sentry Tournament of Champions	2
2014 Masters Tournament	T2
2014 THE PLAYERS Championship	T4
2015 Shell Houston Open	T2
2015 Masters Tournament	1
2015 U.S. Open	1
2015 John Deere Classic	1
2015 TOUR Championship	1
2016 Sentry Tournament of Champions	1
2016 Masters Tournament	T2
2016 DEAN & DELUCA Invitational	1
2017 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am	1
2017 Travelers Championship	1
2017 The Open Championship	1
2017 THE NORTHERN TRUST	2 (lost playoff)

With the runner-up finish, Spieth moved from No. 3 to No. 2 in the FedExCup standings. Spieth has never finished worse than 15th in the FedExCup (7th in 2013, 15th in 2014, first in 2015, ninth in 2015).

This week marked the 20th start of the season for Spieth, highlighted by victories at The Open Championship, AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and Travelers Championship. With nine top-10 finishes, he matches Rickie Fowler with nine but sits behind Justin Thomas, who has the most with 10 this season thanks to his T6 at THE NORTHERN TRUST.

Spieth made his fifth start at THE NORTHERN TRUST, with his T10 a year ago his best outing before the runner-up this week.

FedExCup Playoffs starts – 17

FedExCup Playoffs wins – 1 (2015 TOUR Championship)

FedExCup Playoffs top-5s – 4

FedExCup Playoffs top-10s – 7

Spieth's Statistics By Round:

R1: 11/14 fairways, 16/18 greens, 33 putts

R2: 9/14 fairways, 14/18 greens, 27 putts

R3: 8/14 fairways, 17/18 greens, 29 putts

R4: 11/14 fairways, 10/18 greens, 28 putts

Spieth's Strokes Gained Summary (week):

Off-the-Tee +4.013 (8th)

Approach-the-Green	+4.712 (13 th)
Around-the-Green	+2.966 (12 th)
Putting	+5.699 (9 th)
Total	+16.473 (2nd)

Jhonattan Vegas (29th in the FedExCup)

Jhonattan Vegas posted a bogey-free final-round 65 to finish T3 at 9-under 271 and move from No. 29 to No. 10 in the FedExCup.

Vegas has experienced both ends of the FedExCup ramifications in his career. After finishing No. 54 in his first full season in 2011, he earned the dreaded No. 126 position following the 2012 season, although he remained exempt thanks to his 2011 CareerBuilder Challenge victory. At No. 153 following the 2015 season, he lost full status and played on Past Champions status before winning the 2016 RBC Canadian Open which helped him advance all the way to the season finale at East Lake last year, finishing No. 29. Vegas defended his RBC Canadian Open title last month to earn his third TOUR title.

Vegas has improved his performance each year he's played THE NORTHERN TRUST (2011/70th, 2014/T66, 2016/T22, 2017/T3).

Vegas began the week at No. 9 in the 2017 Presidents Cup International Team standings and is projected to pass South Korea's Si Woo Kim by a slim margin and move to No. 8, likely securing his spot before the team is finalized following next week's Dell Technologies Championship at TPC Boston.

This week marked the 26th start of the season for Vegas, highlighted by his third win on the PGA TOUR (RBC Canadian Open). In all, he now owns 15 made cuts in 26 starts.

FedExCup Playoffs starts – 9
 FedExCup Playoffs wins – 0 (best finish: T3 at THE NORTHERN TRUST in 2017)
 FedExCup Playoffs top-5s – 1
 FedExCup Playoffs top-10s – 1

Additional Player Notes

Jon Rahm made his first appearance in a FedExCup Playoffs event, finishing T3 at THE NORTHERN TRUST to move from No. 6 to No. 5 in the standings. Any player in the top five heading into the TOUR Championship is guaranteed to win the FedExCup with a victory at East Lake.

Paul Casey's solo-fifth finish marked his eighth top-10 result in his 16th FedExCup Playoffs event and his fifth in his last six Playoffs event (5/2017 THE NORTHERN TRUST, 4th/2016 TOUR Championship, 2nd/2016 BMW Championship, 2nd/2016 Dell Technologies Championship, T31/2016 THE NORTHERN TRUST, T5/2015 TOUR Championship).

Webb Simpson hit 14 of 18 greens, his best effort in that category this week, to produce a 5-under 65 in the final-round. Simpson's T6 marked his third top-10 result in nine appearances at THE NORTHERN TRUST, and his second-consecutive on TOUR following a third-place finish at the Wyndham Championship last week. The last time Simpson posted top-10 results in consecutive starts was in 2013-14 when he had four-in-a-row (2013 TOUR Championship/4th, 2013 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open/1, 2013 The RSM Classic/T7, 2014 Sentry Tournament of Champions/T3).

Charley Hoffman shot a final-round 5-under 65 to finish T17, marking 13 of 20 final-rounds under-par on the PGA TOUR this season, including eight consecutive to this point. His final-round scoring average this season is 70.29. Last season, Hoffman averaged 72.44 in 18 final-rounds, with just five of those under-par. Unlike most players in the field this week, Hoffman performed better on the front nine (-4) than the back nine (+1).

Kevin Chappell began No. 30 in the FedExCup and advanced to No. 17 with a T6 finish. Chappell remains No. 11 in the Presidents Cup points list with the only movement in the U.S. Team being Brooks Koepka (6) and Kevin Kisner (7) trading positions from last week. There is one more week for players to accrue points and the U.S. and International teams will make their captain's picks on Sept. 6. Interestingly, Chappell holds the course record at Liberty National Golf Club, firing a 62 in the third round of THE NORTHERN TRUST in 2013.

After injuring his right knee when he slipped while hitting a shot on the final hole of the third round, Lucas Glover, who entered the week No. 55 in the FedExCup, received treatment for the on-site Player Performance Center to return on Sunday and shoot a final-round 71. He sits No. 57 in the FedExCup heading to the Dell Technologies Championship.

Hideki Matsuyama, who entered the week with the lead in the FedExCup, missed the cut at THE NORTHERN TRUST and now sits at No. 4 in the standings headed to TPC Boston. Jordan Spieth (2015) and Billy Horschel (2014) are the only players to win the FedExCup after missing the cut at THE NORTHERN TRUST.

Daniel Berger was the only player to birdie the 516-yard par-4 opening hole in the final round, holing a putt after a 210-yard approach to six feet.

Luke List recorded two eagles in a round for the third time this season, making 3s at the par-5 third and 13th holes. List also made two eagles in a round at the FedEx St. Jude Classic (R3) and the John Deere Classic (R1). List entered the week tied with Tony Finau for most eagles this season (14) and now heads the list with 16.

FedExCup and THE NORTHERN TRUST

- THE NORTHERN TRUST is the opening event of the FedExCup Playoffs for the 11th consecutive season since the FedExCup Playoffs were introduced in 2007.
- Each playoff event offers 2,000 FedExCup points to the winner.
- The top-125 players on the final PGA TOUR Season FedExCup points list (following the Wyndham Championship) qualified for THE NORTHERN TRUST.
- The top-100 players on the FedExCup points list following THE NORTHERN TRUST qualify for the Dell Technologies Championship at TPC Boston.
- The top-70 players on the FedExCup points list after the Dell Technologies Championship advance to the BMW Championship, contested at Conway Farms Golf Club in Lake Forest, Ill.
- The top-30 players following the BMW Championship will qualify for the TOUR Championship. Prior to the TOUR Championship, a points reset will take place, giving all players in the field a mathematical opportunity to win the FedExCup title. The top-five players control their own destiny and would claim the FedExCup with a victory at East Lake.

Players advancing in the FedExCup Playoffs

Three players – Harold Varner III, Bubba Watson and David Lingmerth – played their way into the top 100 in the FedExCup standings to advance to the Dell Technologies Championship next week, while three players – Byeong Hun An, Robert Garrigus and Seung-Yul Noh – fell out of the top 100 to end their respective seasons.

Three players advancing from THE NORTHERN TRUST to the Dell Technologies Championship is the fewest since two players did it in the inaugural FedExCup Playoffs event in 2007.

Bubble Watch

FedExCup Rank	Player	Finish at TNT	FEC pos. thru TNT
96 th	Byeong Hun An	MC	102 nd /eliminated
97 th	Chris Kirk	T40	95 th
98 th	Camilo Villegas	T34	89 th
99 th	Robert Garrigus	MC	109 th /eliminated
100 th	Seung-Yul Noh	MC	110 th /eliminated
101 st	Jimmy Walker	MC	111 th /eliminated
102 nd	Scott Stallings	T43	101 st /eliminated
103rd	David Lingmerth	T29	87th
104 th	D.A. Points	T54	104 th /eliminated
105 th	Ryan Blaum	T62	107 th /eliminated
113th	Bubba Watson	T10	72nd
123rd	Harold Varner III	T20	91st

Entering the Wyndham Championship at No. 138 and beginning the FedExCup Playoffs at No. 123, Harold Varner III became the fifth player in FedExCup history to advance from outside the Wyndham Championship and The NORTHERN TRUST in the same year, joining Camilo Villegas (2015), William McGirt (2011), Pádraig Harrington (2011) and Ernie Els (2011). Els (2011) is the only player to go onto to advance to BMW Championship.

Playing Their Way in at both Wyndham and The NORTHERN TRUST (entering the week)

Year	Event	Started Week	Player	Thru Week	Final FEC
2015	Wyndham	129 th	Camilo Villegas	123 rd	84 th
2015	The NT	123 rd	Camilo Villegas	99 th	84 th
2011	Wyndham	127 th	William McGirt	125 th	83 rd
2011	The NT	125 th	William McGirt	96 th	83 rd

2011	Wyndham	130 th	Padraig Harrington	124 th	89 th
2011	The NT	124 th	Padraig Harrington	80 th	89 th
2011	Wyndham	126 th	Ernie Els	118 th	67 th
2011	The NT	118 th	Ernie Els	99 th	67 th

In the history of the FedExCup Playoffs, the worst-ranked players entering THE NORTHERN TRUST to go on to qualify for the TOUR Championship were Morgan Hoffmann in 2014 and Heath Slocum in 2009 at No. 124. Slocum finished No. 8 on the strength of a victory at THE NORTHERN TRUST. The only other player to advance to the TOUR Championship after starting the FedExCup Playoffs outside the top 100 was Kevin Streelman in 2010 at No. 102.

Rookies and the FedExCup

Six rookies advanced to the FedExCup Playoffs last season, with Emiliano Grillo and Si Woo Kim the only rookies to advance to the TOUR Championship, the first time in FedExCup history more than one rookie advanced to the TOUR Championship. Both finished T10 at East Lake, with Kim winding up No. 17 in the FedExCup and Grillo at No. 11. Grillo's peers voted him as the PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year at the close of the 2015-16 season.

Here's a look at PGA TOUR rookies who advanced to the FedExCup Playoffs this season:

Player	FEC pos. entering TNT	TNT Finish/FEC Position
Wesley Bryan	27	T54 (32 nd)
Xander Schauffele	33	T17 (27 th)
Mackenzie Hughes	34	T62 (37 th)
Ollie Schniederjans	39	MC (42 nd)
Grayson Murray	69	T62 (70 th)
*Patrick Cantlay	78	T10 (50 th)
C.T. Pan	86	T49 (85 th)
Cody Gribble	89	MC (99 th)
J.J. Spaun	91	T54 (93 rd)
Ryan Blaum	105	T62 (107 th) eliminated
Richy Werenski	108	T49 (106 th) eliminated
Dominic Bozzelli	115	DNS eliminated

*Rookie in 2013-14, but played in less than 10 events due to injury.

Miscellaneous Notes

This year marked the 51st playing of THE NORTHERN TRUST. Members of the World Golf Hall of Fame who have won this event include Vijay Singh (4 times), Ernie Els (twice), Seve Ballesteros (twice), Jack Nicklaus (twice), Hale Irwin, Raymond Floyd, Curtis Strange, David Graham, Gene Littler, Johnny Miller, Arnold Palmer and Julius Boros. The event was also known as the Westchester Classic (1967-1975), American Express Westchester Classic (1976-1978), Manufacturers Hanover Westchester Classic (1979-1989), Buick Classic (1990-2004), Barclays Classic (2005, 2006) and The Barclays (2007-2016).

Bogey-free Rounds

R1: Scott Brown (67), Chris Kirk (67), Patrick Cantlay (67), Bubba Watson (67).

R2: Jhonattan Vegas (65), Tony Finau (68).

R3: Patrick Reed (66), Keegan Bradley (66), Robert Streb (66), Henrik Stenson (67).

R4: Dustin Johnson (66), Jhonattan Vegas (65).

Scoring Averages at the par-70 Glen Oaks Club:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
Thursday	36.000	34.825	70.825	
Friday	36.025	35.151	71.176	71.000
Saturday	35.314	35.000	70.314	70.772
Sunday	36.543	35.114	71.657	70.995

There were 11 birdies recorded at hole No. 1 during the week and it ranked as the hardest hole for the week with a scoring average of 4.454. The least difficult hole for the week was the par-5 13th with a scoring average of 4.636.

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