



**2017 THE PLAYERS Championship**  
(The 27<sup>th</sup> of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

**Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.**  
**THE PLAYERS Stadium**  
**TPC Sawgrass**

**May 11-14, 2017**  
**Par/Yardage: 36-36—72/7,189**

**FedExCup Points: 600**  
**Purse: \$10,500,000 (\$1,890,000)**

**Final-Round Notes – Sunday, May 14, 2017**

*Weather: Partly cloudy with a high of 79. Wind NE 12-22 mph.*

**Final-Round Leaderboard**

Si Woo Kim	69-72-68-69—278 (-10)
Ian Poulter	72-67-71-71—281 (-7)
Louis Oosthuizen	69-66-73-73—281 (-7)
Rafa Cabrera Bello	69-70-73-70—282 (-6)
Kyle Stanley	69-66-72-75—282 (-6)

Si Woo Kim's winning 278 tournament total is the highest at THE PLAYERS since Sergio Garcia won in 2008 (283).

**Si Woo Kim**

Si Woo Kim began the final round two strokes off the lead and posted the only bogey-free final round, a 3-under 69, to win THE PLAYERS Championship. Kim is the first winner on TOUR to go bogey-free over his last 18 holes since Jordan Spieth earlier this season at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, and the first PLAYERS champion to do so since Tim Clark in 2010.

Kim wins his second career PGA TOUR victory in his 61<sup>st</sup> start, and 23 starts since his maiden win at the 2016 Wyndham Championship.

At the age of 21 years, 10 months, 16 days, Kim became the youngest winner of THE PLAYERS Championship. Adam Scott was 23 years, 8 months, 12 days when he won in 2004.

Kim becomes the fourth-youngest player to win twice on the PGA TOUR in the last 25 years:

1996 Tiger Woods	20 years, 9 months, 6 days
2001 Sergio Garcia	21 years, 5 months, 15 days
2015 Jordan Spieth	21 years, 7 months, 16 days
2017 Si Woo Kim	21 years, 10 months, 16 days

With 600 FedExCup points, Kim moves to No. 21 in the FedExCup, while Dustin Johnson (T12) maintained the lead in the FedExCup. Last season, Kim was one of two PGA TOUR rookies to qualify for the FedExCup Playoffs finale, the TOUR Championship. He ended the season at No. 17 in the FedExCup.

With the victory, Kim is projected to move to No. 7 in the International Presidents Cup team standings and No. 25 in the Official World Golf Ranking.

Kim wins in his second appearance at THE PLAYERS Championship following a T23 finish in 2016. Here's a look at the fewest number of starts at THE PLAYERS before winning:

- 1 Jack Nicklaus  
Craig Perks  
Hal Sutton
- 2 Al Geiberger  
Si Woo Kim

Three of the last four winners of THE PLAYERS were international players. Kim becomes the 14 different international winner of THE PLAYERS Championship and joins K.J. Choi (2011) as players from South Korea to win.

Kim becomes the first player from Asia to win twice on the PGA TOUR before the age of 22.

Kim is one of eight Korean-born players to win on the PGA TOUR and becomes the fifth with multiple victories: K.J. Choi (8), Y.E. Yang (2), Sangmoon Bae (2), James Hahn (2), Si Woo Kim (2), Kevin Na (1), Seung-Yul Noh (1), Danny Lee (1).

Si Woo Kim will turn 22 on June 28 this year. A player of Korean-descent in their 20s has won on the PGA TOUR each of the last six seasons:

- Anthony Kim (2010 Shell Houston Open/24 years, 9 months, 16 days)
- Kevin Na (2011 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open/28 years, 17 days)
- John Huh (2012 OHL Classic at Mayakoba/21 years, 9 months, 5 days)
- Sangmoon Bae – 1 (2013 AT&T Byron Nelson/26 years, 10 months, 29 days)
- Seung-Yul Noh (2014 Zurich Classic of New Orleans/22 years, 10 months, 29 days)
- Sangmoon Bae – 2 (2014 Safeway Open/28 years, 3 months, 21 days)
- Danny Lee – (2015 The Greenbrier Classic/24 years, 11 months, 11 days)
- Si Woo Kim – (2016 Wyndham Championship/21 years, 1 month, 24 days)
- Si Woo Kim – (2017 PLAYERS Championship)/21 years, 10 months, 16 days)

Kim has struggled this season on TOUR with seven missed cuts and four WDs. His best showing prior to this week was a T10 in his season-starter at the CIMB Classic.

Kim ranked second this week in Strokes Gained: Off the Tee and Strokes Gained: Tee to Green. For the season, Kim ranks 195<sup>th</sup> and 194<sup>th</sup> on TOUR, respectively. Kim led the field in Scrambling (22 of 27).

Kim remains the youngest player to graduate from PGA TOUR Q-School. He finished T20 at the 2012 PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament at PGA West in Palm Springs at the age of 17 years, 5 months, 6 days. Kim's rookie season on the PGA TOUR was in 2013, but only made eight starts because he did not turn 18 until June 28. Kim returned back to Web.com Tour until he locked up his PGA TOUR Card for the 2015-16 PGA TOUR Season by finishing 23rd on the 2015 Web.com Tour priority list.

Kim, who won the 2015 Stonebrae Classic on the Web.com Tour, became the seventh former Web.com Tour player to win THE PLAYERS: David Duval (1999), Craig Perks (2002), Stephen Ames (2006), Tim Clark (2010), Matt Kuchar (2012), Jason Day (2016) and Si Woo Kim (2017).

Kim's career starts-made cuts-top-10s-wins: 61-31-7-2

Kim's statistics by round:

- R1: 12/14 fairways, 13/18 greens, 0/1 sand saves, 30 putts
- R2: 10/14 fairways, 11/18 greens, 2/6 sand saves, 31 putts
- R3: 8/14 fairways, 12/18 greens, 0/1 sand saves, 31 putts
- R4: 9/14 fairways, 8/18 greens, 3/3 sand saves, 23 putts

**FULL NAME:** Si Woo Kim

**HEIGHT:** 5-11

**WEIGHT:** 182

**BIRTHDATE:** June 28, 1995

**BIRTHPLACE:** Seoul, South Korea

**RESIDENCE:** Fullerton, California

**FAMILY:** Single

**EDUCATION:** Yonsei University

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:** Listening to music

**TURNED PROFESSIONAL:** 2012

Web.com Tour Graduate (2015)

**JOINED TOUR:** 2013

**Q-SCHOOL:** 2012

### **Third-Round Lead Notes**

19 of 44 third-round leaders/co-leaders have gone on to win THE PLAYERS Championship, including Jason Day in 2016.

10 of the 26 third-round leaders/co-leaders on the PGA TOUR this season have been able to convert for the win in stroke-play events, most recently Kevin Chappell at the Valero Texas Open.

54-hole co-leaders Kyle Stanley and J.B. Holmes finished T4 and T41, respectively.

### **Ian Poulter**

England's Ian Poulter, finished T2 for his second runner-up at TPC Sawgrass in 14 starts. Poulter was in search of his third career victory on TOUR and first stroke-play win in the United States. His last win on TOUR, the 2012 World Golf Championship came 77 starts ago.

Prior to the 2017 Zurich Classic, the PGA TOUR modified the conditions of the Major Medical Extension category to address a FedExCup points change for 2016-17. This change allowed Poulter to earn Major Medical Extension on the FedExCup points list, earning a start in the 2017 PLAYERS Championship.

Poulter played 30 consecutive holes without a bogey before a bogey at the par-4 No. 12 in the final round.

This marks Poulter's best finish on the PGA TOUR since a runner-up at the 2013 World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions. With the T2, Poulter moves to No. 58 in the FedExCup standings. Poulter missed the FedExCup Playoffs in 2016 for the first time since the inception of the Playoffs in 2007.

### **Louis Oosthuizen**

In search of his first victory on U.S. soil, 2010 Open Championship winner Louis Oosthuizen posted a 1-over 73 in the final round to finish T2, marking his best performance in seven starts in THE PLAYERS Championship.

Oosthuizen has 12 international wins and one PGA TOUR win, the 2010 Open Championship.

Playing in his 10<sup>th</sup> event this season, Oosthuizen has yet to miss a cut with his previous-best finish, a solo third, coming at the Waste Management Phoenix Open, where he shot 65 in the final round. The last time Oosthuizen missed a cut on the PGA TOUR was last year's Open Championship, a current streak of 15 consecutive made cuts, the TOUR's current best streak (alongside Martin Kaymer).

Projected to move to No. 6 in the International Presidents Cup team standings, Oosthuizen is in position for his third consecutive appearance in the Presidents Cup, where the South African owns an overall record of 5-3-2.

### **Rafa Cabrera Bello**

Rafa Cabrera Bello made history as the first player to record a double eagle at the par-5 No. 16 in tournament history. It was just the third double eagle at TPC Sawgrass:

2007: Hunter Mahan, No. 11, R2

2007: Peter Lonard, No. 2, R3

2017: Rafa Cabrera Bello, No. 16, R4

Cabrera Bello, who was making his second start in THE PLAYERS Championship, finished T4 after starting the final round five strokes back. In his only other start at TPC Sawgrass, he missed the cut in 2016.

This marks Cabrera Bello's best finish on TOUR this season, surpassing his T10 at the CIMB Classic last fall.

### **Kyle Stanley**

Kyle Stanley, the 54-hole co-leader, finished T4 for his best finish in four starts in THE PLAYERS. Stanley is now 0-for-2 in converting 54-hole leads/co-leads on the PGA TOUR.

Stanley birdied the par-3 17<sup>th</sup> in all four rounds, becoming just the 17<sup>th</sup> player to birdie No. 17 in all four rounds (Paul Azinger in 1987).

### **Additional Player Notes**

FedExCup leader and World No. 1 Dustin Johnson closed with a 4-under 68, just his third round in the 60s in 30 career rounds at THE PLAYERS Championship. He also closed with a 68 in 2016, his lowest score at TPC Sawgrass.

Defending champion Jason Day closed with an 8-over 80 his second highest score in 22 rounds (2015/81/R2/MC).

In his attempt to become the only player in the field with four sub-par rounds, 54-hole co-leader J.B. Holmes closed with a 12-over 84, dropping to T41.

Lucas Glover started the final round six shots off the lead, and went out in 32. With bogeys on Nos. 13-15 and No. 18, Glover closed with a 2-under 70 to finish T6. The largest 54-hole comeback in tournament history is six strokes (Raymond Floyd/1981/Sawgrass CC). The largest at TPC Sawgrass is five strokes (Justin Leonard/1998, Henrik Stenson/2009). Glover was making his 10<sup>th</sup> start in THE PLAYERS Championship history where he has only played the weekend three times, including this year.

Beginning the day four shots back, reigning Masters champion Sergio Garcia closed with a 6-over 78 to finish T30. Garcia, who has earned the most money of any player at THE PLAYERS Championship, extended his consecutive cuts made to 14, the longest active streak.

Morgan Stanley will make a donation of \$5,000 to Ronald McDonald House Family Room at Wolfson's Children's Hospital for every eagle made at THE PLAYERS Championship (Thursday-Sunday). Through four rounds, 38 eagles were made totaling \$190,000.

**Past Champions**

Nine players who have won THE PLAYERS are participating this week. Here's a look at where they stand through 54 holes:

Player	Year Won	Finish
Jason Day	2016	T60
Rickie Fowler	2015	T60
Martin Kaymer	2014	T69
Matt Kuchar	2012	MDF
K.J. Choi	2011	MC
Henrik Stenson	2009	T16
Sergio Garcia	2008	T30
Phil Mickelson	2007	T41
Adam Scott	2004	T6

**Miscellaneous Notes**

**Bogey-free rounds**

**R1** – Alex Noren (68), Mackenzie Hughes (67), Jon Rahm (68), Lee Westwood (70).

**R2** – Smylie Kaufman (67), Louis Oosthuizen (66).

**R3** – Ian Poulter (71).

**R4** – Si Woo Kim (69).

41 players went for the green (hit 3-wood or driver) on the par-4 12<sup>th</sup> hole in the final round compared to 26 in round one, 39 in round two and 46 in round three. Some players attempted to hit the green using irons off the tee. Two players hit the green on Sunday (Sergio Garcia and Tyrrell Hatton).

There were 11 balls in the water at the par-3 17<sup>th</sup> hole Sunday. Here's a list of balls in the water on the 17th hole:

Year	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Cumulative
2017	19	29	10	11	69
2016	6	9	17	4	36
2015	21	16	3	5	45
2014	12	12	1	3	28
2013	15	9	7	13	44
2012	18	11	4	6	39
2011	12	14	8	6 (in regulation)	40
2010	7	8	5	9	29
2009	16	6	4	6	32
2008	20	18	10	16 (in regulation)	64
2007	50	21	10	12	93
2006	19	17	12	9	57
2005	7	8	25	28	68
2004	9	10	4	7	30
2003	6	10	3	10	29
Total	237	198	113	134	634

Scoring Averages at the par-72 TPC Sawgrass:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
Thursday	36.764	36.056	72.819	--
Friday	36.371	36.811	73.182	73.001
Saturday	37.134	36.902	74.037	73.346
Sunday	36.676	36.930	73.606	73.411