



2017 Wells Fargo Championship
(The 26th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Wilmington, N.C.
Eagle Point Golf Club

May 4-7, 2017
Par/Yardage: 36-36—72/7,396

FedExCup Points: 500
Purse: \$7,500,000 (\$1,350,000)

FINAL Second-Round Notes – Saturday, May 6, 2017

Weather: Mostly sunny with a high of 72. Wind W 20-25, with gusts to 30 mph.

Round two resumed at 7:30 a.m. Saturday and concluded at 10:00 a.m.

36-hole cut: 79 players at 1-over 145 from a field of 156 professionals. As more than 78 players made the 36-hole cut, a 54-hole cut will reduce the field to low-70 and ties.

Second-Round Leaderboard

Francesco Molinari	66-72—138 (-6)
Billy Hurley III	70-69—139 (-5)
Seamus Power	68-71—139 (-5)
John Peterson	70-69—139 (-5)

Second-round lead notes

The only second-round leader/co-leader of the Wells Fargo Championship to convert for the win was Tiger Woods in 2007.

Thirteen of the 24 second-round leaders/co-leaders on the PGA TOUR this season have been able to convert for the win in stroke-play events, most recently Sergio Garcia at the Masters Tournament.

Francesco Molinari

Italy's Francesco Molinari, who held a one-stroke lead after 18 holes at 6-under 66, bogeyed his last hole of the round, No. 9, to post an even-par 72. He will retain a one-stroke lead headed into round three at 6-under 138. When play resumed at 7:30 a.m., he had seven holes remaining (Nos. 3-9).

Molinari's best position after 36 holes on the PGA TOUR before this week was T2. Of those three occasions, his best finish was T3 at the 2011 World Golf Championships-Mexico Championship.

Molinari is making just his second start in the Wells Fargo Championship this week (T17/2016).

Molinari is making his 12th start of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season, where he has now made 11 of 12 cuts. His best finish of three top-10s is a T4 at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open.

Molinari, who made a return to the PGA TOUR this season by virtue of a 111th-place finish on last year's FedExCup points list, remains in search of his first career win on TOUR in his 99th start this week. His best finishes on TOUR, a pair of T3s, came at the 2011 World Golf Championships-Mexico Championship and 2015 Genesis Open.

Molinari is the winner of four international victories, including the 2010 WGC-HSBC Champions.

Billy Hurley III

Billy Hurley III, winner of the 2016 Quicken Loans National, followed a 2-under 70 with a 69 in round two to get to 5-under 139 and within one stroke of the lead. His 3-under 69 in round two tied the low score of the second round.

Hurley is making his fourth start in the Wells Fargo Championship, with his only previous made cut coming in his last start of 2015 (T38).

Hurley is making his 15th start of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season, where he has three top-25s in nine made cuts.

Seamus Power

PGA TOUR rookie Seamus Power, who is from Ireland but resides in Charlotte, N.C., followed a first-round 68 with a 1-under 71 on Friday. At 5-under 139, he will begin round three just one stroke back.

Power, who grew up playing junior golf with Rory McIlroy and Shane Lowry, represented Ireland when golf returned to the Olympics for the first time since 1904 in the Rio 2016 Olympic Games. He finished T15 in the 60-player field.

Power is making his 15th start of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season, with his lone top-25 finish being a T21 at the CareerBuilder Challenge.

John Peterson

Making his fourth start in the Wells Fargo Championship, John Peterson was 3-under-par on the day through 12 holes when play was suspended for Friday. He played his remaining six holes Saturday morning in even par to post a 3-under 69 and get to 5-under 139.

Peterson, who joined the PGA TOUR in the 2013-14 season, remains in search of his first win in his 80th start this week. He has collected two top-10 showings, with the most recent being a T8 at the 2013 Zurich Classic of New Orleans.

Peterson's best finish in 11 previous starts this season is a T12 at the Waste Management Phoenix Open.

Jon Rahm

Jon Rahm, who has five top-10s in his last seven PGA TOUR starts, including his first career victory at the Farmers Insurance Open, has opened with rounds of 69-71 in his Wells Fargo Championship debut. At 4-under 140, he will begin round three two strokes back.

Following his win at Torrey Pines, Rahm collected top-10 finishes in four consecutive starts at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am (T5), WGC-Mexico Championship (T3), WGC-Dell Technologies Match play (2nd) and Shell Houston Open (T10).

The 22-year-old will make his first start in THE PLAYERS Championship next week.

Additional Player Notes

Defending champion James Hahn followed an opening even-par 72 with a 71 and will begin round three five strokes back at 1-under 143. Through 36 holes last year, he was five strokes back at 3-under 141.

FedExCup leader and World No. 1 Dustin Johnson struggled in round two, posting a 3-over 75 to make the cut on the number at 1-over 145. The 75 is his highest score of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season (24 rounds) and highest since round three of last year's Dell Technologies Championship at TPC Boston (75).

With an even-par 72 in the second round, Phil Mickelson has played 42 of 54 competitive rounds at the Wells Fargo Championship at par or better. Mickelson will begin round three five strokes back at 1-under 143.

Miscellaneous Notes

This marks the 60-year anniversary of Arnold Palmer's victory at the 1957 Azalea Open. The event was held in Wilmington (Cape Fear CC) until 1971.

Rory Sabbatini (elbow), Alex Cejka (back), Ernie Els (back) and Willy Wilcox withdrew during the second round.

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Lucas Glover (71).

R2: Tyler Aldridge (70).

Scoring Averages:

	Front	Back	Total	Cumulative
R1:	36.353	36.410	72.763	---
R2:	36.289	37.125	73.414	73.089

The par-4 ninth and par-3 10th holes played the most difficult in the second round at 4.276. The par-5 sixth was the easiest at 4.868.