



U.S. Senior Open

Salem Country Club/Peabody, MA/June 29-July 2, 2017

Final-Round Notes

Course Setup: Par 70/6,798 yards; 71.787 Rd. 4 Scoring Average: 71.033; Cumulative: 71.988

Weather: Sunny and warm with highs in the upper-80s. W wind 9-18 mph.

	Player	To Par	Scores
1.	Kenny Perry	-16	65-64-67-68 – 264
2.	Kirk Triplett	-14	62-67-66-71 – 266
3.	Brandt Jobe	-9	70-69-62-70 – 271
T4.	Fred Couples	-8	68-65-70-69 – 272
T4.	Tom Lehman	-8	65-68-70-69 – 272
6.	Glen Day	-6	69-67-71-67 – 274

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Kenny Perry, 65-64-67-68 – 264 (-16)

- Finished with a bogey-free 2-under-par 68 to finish with four rounds in the 60s on his way to the title. He is the first winner to post four rounds in the 60s since Roger Chapman in 2012. The bogey-free round was the first by a winner since Bernhard Langer in 2010.
- His 72-hole total of 264 set a new U.S. Senior Open record for the lowest score, 72 holes. The previous low was 267 by Hale Irwin (2000) and Perry (2013).
- His 72-hole total of 16-under-par was the third most strokes under par in tournament history. Fred Funk (20-under-par in 2009) and Hale Irwin (17-under-par in 2000) are first and second, respectively.
- Wins this event for the second time after claiming the 2013 U.S. Senior Open at Omaha Country Club on the strength of weekend rounds of 64-63.
- With his ninth PGA TOUR Champions win, he earns a first-place check for \$720,000, the largest check he's earned on Tour and he moves into second place in the season-long Charles Schwab Cup race with \$1,225,385.
- Victory was also his fourth major title on Tour. In addition to his two U.S. Senior Open victories, he also won the 2014 Regions Tradition
- Hit 45 of 56 fairways (80.4%), 59 of 72 greens in regulation (81.9%) and had 116 putts (29.0).
- Becomes the sixth player to win this event two or more times, joining Jack Nicklaus, Hale Irwin, Gary Player, Allen Doyle and Miller Barber, the only three-time champion.
- Earns a berth in next year's U.S. Open at Shinnecock Hills GC in New York.

Kirk Triplett, 62-67-66-71 – 266 (-14)

- A slow start proved costly as he was three-over par after nine holes and trailed by four strokes at the turn. Rebounded on the back nine, finishing two-under-par, but the closest he would get was two strokes behind Perry after his birdie on No. 16.
- His 72-hole total of 266 was the lowest score by a non-winner in tournament history. The previous mark was 270 by Bruce Fleisher in 2000 at Saucon Valley CC.
- Earns a check for \$432,000, his largest on PGA TOUR Champions and it increased his season earnings to \$788,276.
- Earlier in the tournament, his 54-hole total of 195 was the lowest score for the first 54 holes in tournament history which broke Olin Browne's record of 198 (15-under-par) at the 2012 championship. Tied a tournament record on Thursday with his opening-round 8-under-par 62 and his 36-hole score of 11-under-par 129 broke Michael Allen's mark set in 2013 at Omaha CC.
- One of 12 players to have won on the PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions and the Web.com Tour.
- Earned a degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Nevada where he was a teammate of Michael Allen.

Tournament Notes...

- **Bernhard Langer** remained atop the standings in the Charles Schwab Cup race with \$1,815,666. **Kenny Perry** moved into second place with \$1,225,385. **Fred Couples** is now third with \$1,103,147.
- **Brandt Jobe's** third-place finish continued his solid play in the last few weeks. After posting an 8-under-par 62 on Saturday, he followed with a 70 on Sunday. Jobe was T8 at the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship and two weeks later won the Principal Charity Classic. He has now posted a top-10 finish in five of eight major championships since joining PGA TOUR Champions in 2016.
- **Glen Day** finished sixth, his best showing in a PGA TOUR Champions major championship after a closing-round 3-under-par 67. Earlier this year he was T10 at the Regions Tradition.
- **Bernhard Langer** fell short in his bid for his third straight major championship in 2017, finishing T18. Langer trailed Kirk Triplett, the 36-hole leader by just three strokes at the midway point, but fell out of contention on the weekend, playing his final 36 holes at 6-over-par (72-74).
- **Bernhard Langer's** T18 finish was his worst effort in a major championship since he was T23 at the 2010 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship.
- **Fred Couples'** first appearance in the U.S. Senior Open since 2013 resulted in a T4 finish.
- **Scott Verplank** continued his stellar play. He followed his second-place effort at last week's American Family Insurance Championship with a T7 finish here. It was his third consecutive top-10 finish and fourth overall this year. He had just two top-10 finishes the previous two years.
- It should come as no surprise that hole No. 2 at Salem Country Club is now the most difficult hole on PGA TOUR Champions this year with an average score of 4.477 (+.477). There were just 10 birdies during the event, including one in the opening round and two in each of the weekend rounds. It was converted to a par-4 this year from a par-5.
- The scoring average for the event was 71.988, including 36.106 on the front nine and 35.882 on the back nine. While hole No. 2 was the most difficult, Nos. 18 and 17 ranked two and three in that category. Sunday's final-round scoring average was 71.787.