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Final-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Name Scores	
1	Sangmoon Bae	65-67-67-66-265 (-19)
2	Anders Albertson	68-67-69-62-266 (-18)
	Roger Sloan	69-69-65-63-266 (-18)
	Adam Schenk	71-67-64-64-266 (-18)
5	Roberto Diaz	68-66-65-68-266 (-17)

Sangmoon Bae birdies the last to win Albertsons Boise Open presented by Kraft Nabisco

BOISE, Idaho – Entering the 72nd hole in a four-way tie at the top, Sangmoon Bae hit his approach to six feet on the par-4 18th and sunk the ensuing birdie putt to claim a one-stroke victory at 19-under 265. With the win at the Albertsons Boise Open presented by Kraft Nabisco, Bae clinched his return to the PGA TOUR for the 2018-19 season.

"I talked to my caddy Matt and we needed a birdie on the last," Bae said. "I had a perfect number for my second with 110 yards to the hole and I perfectly hit a 56-degree wedge. [I feel] Just so successful this week, and after the military service it means a lot. I feel like I'm back."

Bae, a two-time PGA TOUR champion, competed on TOUR in the 2017-18 season after completing two years of mandatory military service in his native South Korea.

"I thought it would not take that long [to get my game back], but I have struggled for almost a year," Bae said. "My game is not that much different, but maybe a little [different] mentally. [This year] It's a little different in my mind because I feel like I'm back to being a rookie. [I'm] More humbled and more patient."

Bae looked to be distancing himself from the field after birdying the first three holes on Sunday at Hillcrest Country Club. A string of pars combined with a bogey at the sixth allowed several players to make a run before three backnine birdies earned Bae the win. The 32-year-old finished top 10 in both greens in regulation and scrambling, ending with a Sunday 5-under 66.

A trio of players finished one stroke shy at 18-under 266, including Roger Sloan, who will earn his return to the PGA TOUR for the 2018-19 season after competing on the Web.com Tour for the past three years. Sloan notched three top-10 finishes on the Web.com Tour this year, highlighted by a solo-fourth at the Panama Championship.

"It's interesting because typically you're trying to win a golf tournament, and in the back of your mind you know that a two-putt is probably good enough to solidify a job promotion," Sloan said. "It was challenging, and I gave it a really good effort [on 18], but it just barely skimmed by the edge there. But at the end of the day it's gratifying that a lot of hard work has paid off."

Also returning to the PGA TOUR is Purdue University alum Adam Schenk. Needing a top-15 finish to regain his TOUR status, Schenk carded a bogey-free 7-under 64 to finish T2. The 26-year-old birdied three straight on Nos. 14-16 before just missing a birdie putt on No. 17 that would have earned him a spot in a playoff.

Schenk earned three top-25 finishes on the PGA TOUR this season, including a career-best T7 at the 2018 Zurich Classic of New Orleans.

Anders Albertson was the third player to finish at 18-under after a scorching final-round 9-under 62 and continued his strong play after locking up his first PGA TOUR card during the Regular Season. With a last name to match the tournament, Albertson was a fan favorite in Boise.

"I had a lot of support I think because people thought 'It would be cool if this guy wins the tournament since his name is the sponsor," Albertson said. "I was joking about it with my caddy Michael on 17. It was so weird."

Fellow Georgia Tech alum Seth Reeves facetimed Albertson's wife on the 18th green so she could see him complete the low round. The 62 was the low round of the tournament, and lowest in Boise since Peter Uihlein matched the score in 2017.

In addition to those listed above, Roberto Diaz and Dylan Frittelli looked to have locked up their PGA TOUR return with strong finishes. Diaz carded a final-round 3-under 68 while competing in the final group to finish solo fifth at 17-under 267. Needing a top-10 in order to likely earn a return to the PGA TOUR, Frittelli birdied the last to finish T9 at 13-under 271.

SUNDAY NOTES:

* Sunday weather: Sunny, High of 76, Winds NW 6-12 mph, with gusts up to 15 mph.

* This week's purse was \$1,000,000, with \$180,000 awarded to the champion, Sangmoon Bae.

* This week marked the penultimate event of the Web.com Tour Finals, a four-event series that concludes at the Web.com Tour Championship in Atlantic Beach, Florida, Sept. 20-23. Twenty-five PGA TOUR cards were awarded following the WinCo Foods Portland Open presented by Kraft-Heinz. An additional 25 cards are up for grabs during the four Finals events, as well as positioning for all 50 cards.

* Bae's victory marked the 12^{th} time a 54-hole leader/co-leader has convert their lead into a victory at this tournament, with the most recent being Michael Thompson in 2016. Bae is the 10^{th} player this year to convert a thirdround lead into a title.

* Despite having won two PGA TOUR events, Sunday's victory was Sangmoon Bae's first on the Web.com Tour. Bae is the Web.com Tour's 21st first-time winner of the year.

* Albertson's low final round is his second in a row. He carded a 7-under 63 in the final round of his last tournament, the DAP Championship presented by NewBrick. Both rounds were the lowest of the day.

* Michael Thompson, the 2016 champion, catapulted into contention with an early eagle on No. 2 before eventually finishing solo-sixth at 16-under 268.

* With a T43 finish, Sungjae Im made history in Boise. At \$553,800, Im has officially clinched the first wire-to-wire year atop the Web.com Tour money list. He sits \$180,165 ahead of Kramer Hickok on the money list. With the final event awarding \$180,000 to the champion, Im mathematically has clinched the top spot by \$165.

* Sloan is a former two-time winner on the Mackenzie Tour - PGA TOUR Canada. Both of his wins came in 2011.

* The 13th hole at Hillcrest Country Club, a long par-3, played the toughest according to scoring average at 3.192. The par-5 sixteenth hole played the easiest throughout the week at 4.430. No. 16 relinquished 18 eagles over the course of the week, including one to Bae during the third round.

* While it is difficult to estimate exactly how much money is needed to finish in the top 25 of the Finals money list and collect one of the remaining 25 PGA TOUR cards handed out at the conclusion of the Web.com Tour Championship, below is how much money the 25th man on the money list earned in each of the past two four:

2013 Bobby Gates	\$33,650.00			
2014 Eric Axley	\$36,311.66			
2015 Rob Oppenheim	\$32,206.00			
2016 Cody Gribble/Kelly Kraft	\$35,125.00#			
2017 Seamus Power	\$40,625.00			
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* Hillcrest Country Club scoring average:

	Front (36)	Back (35)	Total (71)	Cumulative
R1	35.795	34.500	70.295	
R2	35.515	34.392	69.908	70.102
R3	34.701	33.740	68.442	69.548
R4	35.351	34.247	69.597	69.561

* NEXT WEEK: The Web.com Tour Finals concludes at the season-ending Web.com Tour Championship contested at Atlantic Beach Country Club in Atlantic Beach, Florida.

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