



2018 Quicken Loans National

(The 35th of 44 events in the PGA TOUR season)

Potomac, Maryland
TPC Potomac at Avenel Farm

June 25-July 1, 2018

FedExCup Points: 500 Purse: \$7,100,000
Par/Yards: 35-35—70/7,107

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, July 1, 2018

Weather: Mostly sunny and hot. High of 96 with heat index of 105. Heat advisory issued from noon-8 p.m. Wind S 4-8 mph.

Final-Round Leaderboard

Francesco Molinari	67-65-65-62—259 (-21)
Ryan Armour	66-65-68-68—267 (-13)
Sung Kang	72-64-68-64—268 (-12)
Tiger Woods	70-65-68-66—269 (-11)
Abraham Ancer	65-70-62-72—269 (-11)

Five Things To Know

- Francesco Molinari claims first official PGA TOUR victory and becomes the first Italian to win on the PGA TOUR since 1947
- Molinari is the ninth player to become a first-time PGA TOUR winner this season
- Molinari sets new tournament records for 72 holes, 54 holes, largest margin of victory
- Tiger Woods ties Molinari for most birdies (21) this week en route to his third top-five finish this season
- Four players who finished in the top 12 and ties, who were not already exempt into the 147th Open Championship, earned exemptions into the field at Carnoustie: Ryan Armour (2nd), Sung Kang (3rd), Abraham Ancer (T4), Bronson Burgoon (T6)

Third-Round Lead Notes

- 7 Third-round leaders/co-leaders at the Quicken Loans National to win (most recent: Francesco Molinari/2018)
- 20 Third-round leaders/co-leaders to win on PGA TOUR in 2017-18 (most recent: Francesco Molinari/Quicken Loans National)

Francesco Molinari (1)

Age: 35 (November 8, 1982)

Joined TOUR: 2013-14

#42	FedExCup
2	Starts at Quicken Loans National
2	Top-10s at Quicken Loans National
121	PGA TOUR starts
1	PGA TOUR wins
17	Top-10s on PGA TOUR
13	PGA TOUR starts in 2017-18
1	Top-10 in 2017-18

Best PGA TOUR result: Won/2018 Quicken Loans National

Best 2017-18 results: Won/Quicken Loans National, T16/Wells Fargo Championship, T17/WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play

- Wins first official PGA TOUR event at 35 years, 7 months, 23 days in his 121st start. No. 123 in the FedExCup entering the week; improved to No. 42 with win. Has qualified for the FedExCup Playoffs in each of the last three seasons
- Won 2010 World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions in China, but victory was unofficial as he was not a PGA TOUR member at the time. That tournament became an official event in 2013. Other international victories include: 2006 Telecom Italia Open

(Eur), 2009 OMEGA Mission Hills World Cup (with brother Edoardo Molinari), 2012 Open de Espana (Eur), 2016 Italian Open (Eur), 2018 BMW PGA Championship (Eur)

- Bogey-free, final-round 8-under 62 included E-B-B-B-B stretch on Nos. 10-14
- 54-hole score of 197 is career-low (previous: 200/2016 Sony Open in Hawaii) and a tournament record, tying Abraham Ancer this week (previous: Billy Hurley III/198/2016)
- 72-hole score of 259 is a career-low (previous: 268/2016 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open) and a tournament record (previous: Troy Merritt/266/2015). It's also the lowest winning total this season (260/Justin Rose/Fort Worth Invitational)
- 62 marks best finish by a winner this season (one better than Bubba Watson's 63 at Travelers Championship last week)
- Eight-stroke win smashes previous tournament record of three strokes and matches Dustin Johnson's victory margin at Sentry Tournament of Champions as largest this season
- Becomes the third (four times) international winner of the event (K.J. Choi/2007, Justin Rose/2010, 2014)
- Last time he recorded four sub-par rounds in a PGA TOUR event: 2017 Farmers Insurance Open (71-70-69-71/T14)
- Finished T8 in only previous start at the event (2016)
- First top-10 finish this season after five in 2016-17 and three in 2015-16
- Last Italian to win on the PGA TOUR: Toney Penna in 1947 (born in Naples, Italy and had four career wins; last: 1947 Atlanta Open)
- At No. 17 entering the week, was second highest-ranked player in the field (Rickie Fowler/No. 8). Projected to remain No. 17

Quicken Loans National tournament records

- The 54-hole leader/co-leader has won seven of 12 Quicken Loans Nationals (Francesco Molinari/2018, Billy Hurley III/2016, Troy Merritt/2015, Bill Haas/2013, Nick Watney/2011, Justin Rose/2010, Tiger Woods/2009)
- Largest margin of victory: 8, Francesco Molinari/2018 (previous was 3 strokes: Billy Hurley III/2016, Troy Merritt/2015, Bill Haas/2013, K.J. Choi/2007)
- Tournament record: 259/Francesco Molinari/2018 (previous: 266/Troy Merritt/2015)
- 18-hole record: 61 (Troy Merritt/R3/2015) *2017 was the first year the tournament was played at TPC Potomac at Avenel Farm

Additional Player Notes

Ryan Armour (2nd)

- Runner-up finish is second-best result on TOUR (Won/2017 Sanderson Farms Championship)
- Produced best finish in third start at this event (MC/2007, T60/2008)
- Was seeking to become the TOUR's seventh multiple winner this season
- Six bogeys for the week was third fewest (Francesco Molinari/2, Abraham Ancer/4)
- Earned an exemption into the 147th Open Championship at Carnoustie by finishing as one of top four non-exempt players

Sung Kang (3rd)

- One of three players to fire bogey-free final round (Francesco Molinari/62, Doc Redman/64)
- Solo-third is best finish in four starts at Quicken Loans National (T5/2017, MC/2016, MC/2012)
- Runner-up finish at 2017 Houston Open is best result in 136 starts on TOUR (3rd/2018 Quicken Loans National, T3/2011 Children's Miracle Network Hospitals Classic, T3/2017 CIMB Classic)
- First top-10 result since T3 at 2017 CIMB Classic earlier this season
- Finished T6 at Web.com Tour's Mid-Atlantic Classic at TPC Potomac at Avenel Farm in 2013
- Career-low on PGA TOUR is 60 at Monterey Peninsular CC (R2/2016 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am)
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Tiger Woods (T4)

- Hit 14 of 18 greens in final-round 66. Hit 13 of 18 in each of the first three rounds
- Ranked 7th in Strokes Gained: Putting (4.775), with 109 total putts (29/R1, 26/R2, 27/R3, 27/R4) and 392' 1" of putts holed
- Third top-five in 11 starts this season (T2/Valspar Championship, T5/Arnold Palmer Invitational, T4/Quicken Loans National)
- Fourth top-10 in seven appearances at Quicken Loans National (2007/T6, 2009/Won, 2012/Won, 2018/T4)
- For the sixth time in 11 starts this season, and third in last four (exception: U.S. Open), posted four rounds of par or better
- Began week No. 61 in the FedExCup and moved to No. 47
- Projected to move inside the top-70 of Official World Golf Ranking
- Began final day six strokes back of co-leader Francesco Molinari and finished T4, 10 strokes adrift. At 2010 WGC-HSBC Champions, Molinari won and Woods finished T6, 12 strokes behind.

Abraham Ancer (T4)

- After posting eight birdies and zero bogeys in the third round, posted zero birdies and two bogeys in final-round 72
- T4 marked best result in 43 career starts on PGA TOUR
- Moves to No. 90 on FedExCup after starting week at No. 116
- Was seeking to join K.J. Choi, the inaugural winner in 2007, as the only player to win in his first appearance at this event
- Earned an exemption into the 147th Open Championship at Carnoustie by finishing as one of top four non-exempt players

Bronson Burgoon (T6)

- Recorded his career-best finish in 46 starts on the PGA TOUR, shooting a final-round 3-under 67 while paired with Tiger Woods
- Owns 11 top-25 results, but one top-10 (T6/2018 Quicken Loans National)
- Hit his approach shot on the 72nd hole to 3 feet, 10 inches, with ensuing birdie leading to an exemption into the 147th Open Championship at Carnoustie by finishing as one of top four non-exempt players

Joaquin Niemann (T17)

- In his seventh PGA TOUR start as a professional, 19-year-old Chilean finished T17 after final-round 5-under 65, earning 46 non-member FedExCup points, bringing his total for the season to 321
- Owns three top-10s (6/Valero Texas Open, T8/Fort Worth Invitational, T6/the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide)
- 12 of last 16 PGA TOUR rounds are under par

Doc Redman (T32)

- Final-round 6-under 64 moved him from T69 to T32, earning his best result in his fifth PGA TOUR start. Marked his career-low in 16 rounds on TOUR
- 2017 U.S. Amateur champion made second start as a professional, missing the cut at the Memorial Tournament last month

Course Statistics

Toughest Hole

R1: Par-4 11th (4.292); hardest hole on the PGA TOUR in 2016-17 (4.521)

R2: Par-4 11th (4.333)

R3: Par-4 8th (4.203)

R4: Par-4 11th (4.500)

Cumulative: Par-4 11th (4.314)

Easiest Hole

R1: Par-4 14th (3.658)

R2: Par-4 14th (3.600)

R3: Par-4 14th (3.568)

R4: Par-4 14th (3.514)

Cumulative: Par-4 14th (3.595)

Scoring Averages

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	35.333	34.658	69.992	--
R2:	35.358	34.550	69.908	69.950
R3:	34.878	34.689	69.568	69.860
R4:	35.203	34.838	70.041	69.894

Cumulative average of 69.894 for the tournament is more than a stroke lower than the average score from the 2017 event (71.369); TPC Potomac played as the fourth-hardest course to par on the PGA TOUR in 2016-17 and hardest among non-major championship venues

Bogey-free rounds

R1: Andrew Landry (63), J.J. Spaun (63), Andrew Putnam (64), Joel Dahmen (66), Seamus Power (66)

R2: Kevin Streelman (62), John Huh (64), Sung Kang (64), Francesco Molinari (65), Ryan Armour (65), Rickie Fowler (66), Charles Howell III (67), Joaquin Niemann (67), Adam Schenk (67)

R3: Abraham Ancer (62), Bronson Burgoon (65), C.T. Pan (68)

R4: Francesco Molinari (62), Doc Redman (64), Sung Kang (64)