



Purse: \$6,300,000 (\$1,260,000)

Par/Yards: 36-37—73/7,452

# **2018 Sentry Tournament of Champions** (9th of 44 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Kapalua, Maui, HI January 4-7, 2018 The Plantation Course at Kapalua Resort

# Final-Round Notes - Sunday, January 7, 2018

#### Weather

Partly cloudy and windy. High of 78. Wind ENE at 18-28 mph, gusts to 35 mph.

### Final-Round Leaderboard

 Dustin Johnson
 69-68-66-65—268 (-24)

 Jon Rahm
 71-70-66-69—276 (-16)

 Brian Harman
 68-68-69-72—277 (-15)

 Hideki Matsuyama
 70-70-72-66—278 (-14)

 Pat Perez
 72-66-71-69—278 (-14)

 Rickie Fowler
 69-71-68-70—278 (-14)

#### **Dustin Johnson**

After entering the final round with a two-stroke lead over Brian Harman, Dustin Johnson carded an 8-under 65 to finish the 2018 Sentry Tournament of Champions at 24-under 268, good for an eight-stroke victory over Jon Rahm. The win is Johnson's second at The Plantation Course at Kapalua, having also won in 2013.

Johnson wins for the 17<sup>th</sup> time in his 223<sup>rd</sup> start on the PGA TOUR, doing so at the age of 33 years, six months and 16 days.

With the victory, Johnson collects 500 FedExCup points and moves from No. 25 to No. 2 in the standings. Pat Perez, with his T4 finish, takes over the top spot in the standings from Patton Kizzire.

Johnson has now won at least one PGA TOUR event in 11 consecutive seasons, dating back to his rookie season in 2008, the longest active streak on TOUR.

# **Dustin Johnson's 17 PGA TOUR victories:**

2008 - Turning Stone Resort Championship

2009 - AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am

2010 - AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, BMW Championship

2011 - THE NORTHERN TRUST

2012 - FedEx St. Jude Classic

2013 - Sentry Tournament of Champions

2013 - World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions (during 2013-14 wraparound season)

2015 - World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship

2016 - U.S. Open, WGC-Bridgestone Invitational, BMW Championship

2017 - Genesis Open

2017 – World Golf Championships-Mexico Championship

2017 - World Golf Championships-Dell Technologies Match Play

2017 – THE NORTHERN TRUST

2018 - Sentry Tournament of Champions

Most wins since 2008: Tiger Woods (18), Dustin Johnson (17), Rory McIlroy (13), Jordan Spieth (11).

Johnson joins Tiger Woods (2000) and Jordan Spieth (2016) as players who have won in Kapalua while ranked No. 1 in the Official World Golf Ranking.

David Duval holds the record for largest winning margin at the Sentry Tournament of Champions, winning by nine strokes over Billy Mayfair and Mark O'Meara 1999. Jordan Spieth (2016) and Dustin Johnson (2018) won by eight shots.

Johnson's eight-stroke win is the largest on the PGA TOUR since Jordan Spieth won the 2016 Sentry Tournament of Champions by the same margin.

Johnson's week included an eagle on the par-5 fifth hole and two eagles on the par-4 12<sup>th</sup> hole, tying him with Ernie Els for the most eagles in a career at The Plantation Course at Kapalua (eight). He holed out for eagle from 72 yards on the par-4 12<sup>th</sup> during the third round. During the final round, Johnson's 430-yard drive landed just six inches from the cup, leading to a tap in for eagle. Andrew Magee remains the only player to have a hole-in-one on a par-4 in PGA TOUR history, doing so at the 332-yard 17<sup>th</sup> hole at the 2001 Waste Management Phoenix Open.

Johnson wins in his second start of the 2017-18 PGA TOUR Season, having finished T2 at the WGC-HSBC Champions last fall after shooting a closing-round 77.

Johnson wins for the second time in eight starts at the Sentry Tournament of Champions. He now has six top-10s, including his win at the 2013 event that was shortened to 54 holes due to weather.

Since the Sentry Tournament of Champions moved to Kapalua in 1999, three players have posted multiple wins; three-time winner Stuart Appleby (2004, 2005, 2006), Geoff Ogilvy (2009, 2010), and Dustin Johnson (2013, 2018).

Johnson moves from ninth to third in all-time earnings at the Sentry Tournament of Champions, trailing only Stuart Appleby and Vijay Singh.

Strokes-Gained stats for the week:

Strokes Gained: Off the Tee +8.902 (1st)
Strokes Gained: Tee to Green +13.989 (1st)
Strokes Gained: Approach the Green +2.777 (1st)
Strokes Gained: Around the Green +2.310 (4th)
Strokes Gained: Putting +2.894 (6th)

This week marked Johnson's 14th lead/co-lead through 54 holes on the PGA TOUR, converting eight to victory.

Full name: Dustin Hunter Johnson

Height: 6-4 Weight: 190

Birthday: June 22, 1984

**Birthplace:** Columbia, South Carolina **Residence:** Myrtle Beach, South Carolina **Family:** Tatum (1/19/15), River (6/12/17)

Turned professional: 2007

# Third-Round Leader Notes

The third-round leader/co-leader has gone on to win six of the first nine events of the 2017-18 PGA TOUR season.

The third-round leader/co-leader has now gone on to victory 25 of 33 times at the Sentry Tournament of Champions.

#### Jon Rahm

Jon Rahm, who won the 2017 Farmers Insurance Open, now has four runner-up finishes on the PGA TOUR:

T2 – 2016 RBC Canadian Open

2<sup>nd</sup> – WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play Championship

T2 - 2017 DEAN & DELUCA Invitational

2<sup>nd</sup> – 2018 Sentry Tournament of Champions

This week marked Rahm's Sentry Tournament of Champions debut after winning the Farmers Insurance Open in 2017, his first career victory. Rahm showed consistency throughout the season and finished fifth in the final FedExCup standings in the 2016-17 season. He is currently ranked No. 18 in the FedExCup.

Rahm was hoping to join Daniel Chopra (2008) and Sergio Garcia (2002) as the only players to win in their first start since the event moved to Kapalua in 1999.

#### **Additional Player Notes**

Defending champion, and reigning FedExCup champion, Justin Thomas carded a final-round 6-under 67 to finish T22. He was attempting to become the first player to win in back-to-back years at the Sentry Tournament of Champions since Geoff Ogilvy in 2009 and 2010.

Lefty Brian Harman, who won the Wells Fargo Championship in 2017 to qualify for his second Sentry Tournament of Champions, entered the final round trailing Dustin Johnson by two strokes. Playing in the final group with Johnson, Harman posted a 1-under 72 to finish solo-third. He now owns four top-10s and three top-five finishes in four starts this season.

Hideki Matsuyama closed with a 7-under 66, including an eagle-birdie-birdie-par finish. In three starts, he has never failed to finish inside the top four at the Sentry Tournament of Champions (T3-2015, 2-2017, T4-2018).

Pat Perez finished T4 for his third-top-five finish in five starts this season (1st-CIMB Classic, T5-THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES, T4-Sentry Tournament of Champions). He is currently the leader in the FedExCup standings.

With his T4 finish this week, Rickie Fowler has finished inside the top four in both starts of the 2017-18 season (runner-up at the OHL Classic at Mayakoba). Most recently, Fowler won the unofficial Hero World Challenge in December. Here's a look at Fowler's record at the Sentry Tournament of Champions (T6-2013, 5-2016, T4-2018).

Jordan Spieth's ninth-place finish marks the first time in four starts he has failed to record a top-three finish at the Sentry Tournament of Champions (2-2014, 1-2016, T3-2017, 9<sup>th</sup>-2018).

#### **Miscellaneous Notes**

There were 14 first-time winners in the field: Jon Rahm (2), Chris Stroud (T11), Patrick Cantlay (T15), Patton Kizzire (T15), Cameron Smith (T17), Ryan Armour (20), Kevin Chappell (21), Grayson Murray (T22), Austin Cook (T22), Xander Schauffele (T22), Bryson DeChambeau (26), Hudson Swafford (T27), Wesley Bryan (T27), Adam Hadwin (32)

Past champions of the Sentry Tournament of Champions who were in the field this week: Dustin Johnson (1st), Jordan Spieth (9th), Justin Thomas (T22).

#### Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Brian Harman (68), Ryan Armour (71)

R2: Marc Leishman (69)

R3: Jon Rahm (66), Rickie Fowler (68)

R4: Hideki Matsuyama (66), Marc Leishman (67)

# Scoring Averages at the par-73 The Plantation Course:

Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
35.529	36.382	71.912	
35.059	35.912	70.971	71.441
35.206	36.206	71.412	71.431
35.176	35.412	70.588	71.221
	35.529 35.059 35.206	35.529       36.382         35.059       35.912         35.206       36.206	35.529       36.382       71.912         35.059       35.912       70.971         35.206       36.206       71.412

# Toughest/Easiest

R1: toughest (par-3 eighth -3.265); easiest (par-5 fifth -4.382)

R2: toughest (par-3 11<sup>th</sup> – 3.294); easiest (par-4 18<sup>th</sup> – 4.381)

R3: toughest (par-4 10<sup>th</sup> – 4.412); easiest (par-5 fifth – 4.235)

R4: toughest (par-4 first -4.324); easiest (par-5 fifth -4.147)

Cumulative: toughest (par-3 second – 3.184); easiest (par-4 fifth – 4.301)