



## 2018 THE NORTHERN TRUST

*(The first of four events in the FedExCup Playoffs)*

Paramus, New Jersey  
The Ridgewood Country Club

August 21-26, 2018  
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,385

FedExCup Points: 2000  
Purse: \$9,000,000

### Third-Round Notes – Saturday, August 25, 2018

*Weather: Mostly sunny. High of 82. Wind S 4-8 mph.*

#### Third-Round Leaderboard

Bryson DeChambeau	68-66-63—197 (-16)
Keegan Bradley	70-69-62—201 (-12)
Cameron Smith	69-68-65—202 (-11)
Tony Finau	69-67-66—202 (-11)

#### Four Things To Know

- Bryson DeChambeau recorded his career-low to take a four-shot lead
- DeChambeau holds the largest 54-hole lead at THE NORTHERN TRUST in the FedExCup era
- Keegan Bradley hit all 18 greens in regulation for the first time in his career
- Tiger Woods recorded his first bogey-free round since 2015

#### Third-Round Lead Notes

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| 25 | Third-round leaders/co-leaders at THE NORTHERN TRUST to win (72-hole events)<br>(Most recent: Jason Day/2015)       |
| 27 | Third-round leaders/co-leaders to win on PGA TOUR in 2017-18<br>(Most recent: Brandt Snedeker/Wyndham Championship) |

#### Bryson DeChambeau (1<sup>st</sup>)

**Age:** 24 (September 16, 1993)

**Joined TOUR:** 2016

#### Entering this week

#9	FedExCup
#21	OWGR
68	PGA TOUR starts
2	PGA TOUR wins
22	PGA TOUR starts in 2017-18
1	Win in 2017-18
7	Top-10s in 2017-18
1	Starts at THE NORTHERN TRUST
0	Made cuts at THE NORTHERN TRUST
1/1	Wins with 54-hole lead/co-lead

**Wins (2):** 2017 John Deere Classic, 2018 the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide

**Best 2017-18 results:** Won/the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide, 2<sup>nd</sup>/Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, T3/RBC Heritage, 4<sup>th</sup>/Wells Fargo Championship, T5/Waste Management Phoenix Open

- FedExCup No. 9; currently projected to move to No. 1
- Career-best 63 (previous: 64/R2/2018 RBC Heritage)

- Career-best nine birdies (previous: 8/five previous instances; most recent: R2/2018 the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide)
- Holds the largest 54-hole lead at THE NORTHERN TRUST in the FedExCup era (previous: 3/twice; most recent: Jordan Spieth/2017)
- 54-hole leaders by margins of four strokes or more during the 2017-18 season are 5-for-7 converting the lead into victory (Dustin Johnson/World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions, Paul Casey/Travelers Championship did not win)

#### **Keegan Bradley (2<sup>nd</sup>)**

- Tied Ridgewood Country Club course record (62/Hunter Mahan/2008/R1)
- Hit all 18 greens in regulation for the first time in his career (17/18 on 10 previous occasions)
- Low 18-hole score since 2013 AT&T Byron Nelson (60/R1)
- Tied season-low front-nine score (31/twice; most recent: R4/RBC Canadian Open)
- Tied season-low back-nine score (31/R1/A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier)

#### **Cameron Smith (T3)**

- Projected to move from No. 53 to No. 15 in the FedExCup
- Leads the field in scrambling through 54 holes (12/14)
- Four top-fives in 2017-18 (3<sup>rd</sup>/THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES, T5/CIMB Classic, T5/World Golf Championships-Dell Technologies Match Play, T5/Masters Tournament)
- Has recorded three under-par scores through three rounds after having four such scores in his last 20 rounds entering the week

#### **Tony Finau (T3)**

- Projected to move from No. 12 to No. 5 in the FedExCup
- Holds highest FedExCup position among players without a win in 2017-18
- Leads the field in Strokes Gained: Tee-to-Green (8.405) and Strokes Gained: Around-the-Green (5.477)
- Three previous starts at THE NORTHERN TRUST (12<sup>th</sup>/2016 best previous result)
- Qualified for the TOUR Championship for the first time in 2017 (final standing: 19<sup>th</sup>)

#### **Tiger Woods (T49)**

- Bogey-free 68
- First bogey-free round since a fourth-round 67 at the 2015 A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier (68 rounds ago)
- 76<sup>th</sup> in Strokes Gained: Putting through 54 holes (-3.952)

#### **Miscellaneous notes**

- The four players in the final two groups were a combined 3-over-par (average of 71.750; field average in round three: 69.825)
- Scores: Adam Scott – 70, Brooks Koepka – 72, Dustin Johnson – 72, Jamie Lovemark – 73

#### **FedExCup and THE NORTHERN TRUST**

- THE NORTHERN TRUST is the opening event of the FedExCup Playoffs for the 12th consecutive season since the FedExCup Playoffs were introduced in 2007.
- Each playoff event offers 2,000 FedExCup points to the winner.
- The top-125 players on the final PGA TOUR Season FedExCup points list (following the Wyndham Championship) qualified for THE NORTHERN TRUST.

#### **Projected player movement**

Four players are projected to move from outside the top 100 and into the field for next week's Dell Technologies Championship.

#### **Moving in**

<b>FedExCup Rk.</b>	<b>Proj. FedExCup Rk.</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos. thru R3</b>
102	72	Nick Watney	T14
104	99	Sung Kang	T36
107	81	Scott Stallings	T20
114	85	Sam Ryder	T20

**Moving out**

<b>FedExCup Rk.</b>	<b>Proj. FedExCup Rk.</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos. thru R3</b>
95	101	Trey Mullinax	T73
96	103	Charl Schwartzel	MC
97	105	Rory Sabbatini	MC
99	108	Alex Cejka	T66

**Rookies and the FedExCup**

Last season, 12 rookies finished in the top 125 and advanced to the FedExCup Playoffs, the most ever to qualify for the FedExCup Playoffs. Only two advanced to the TOUR Championship (Xander Schauffele and Patrick Cantlay).

**Here's a look at the eight PGA TOUR rookies who advanced to the FedExCup Playoffs this season:**

<b>Player</b>	<b>FEC Standing</b>	<b>Third-Round Position/FEC projection</b>
Aaron Wise	27	T14/23
Austin Cook	31	T49/36
Keith Mitchell	68	MC/78
Satoshi Kodaira	77	MC/86
Peter Uihlein	81	T26/70
Brandon Harkins	94	T53/98
Tyler Duncan	108	MC/eliminated
Sam Ryder	114	T20/85

**Course Statistics****Toughest Hole**

**R1:** Tied – Par-4 7<sup>th</sup> and Par-4 18<sup>th</sup> (4.269)

**R2:** Par-4 8<sup>th</sup> (4.271)

**R3:** Par-4 10<sup>th</sup> (4.225)

**Easiest Hole**

**R1:** Par-5 3<sup>rd</sup> (4.538)

**R2:** Par-4 12<sup>th</sup> (3.585)

**R3:** Par-4 12<sup>th</sup> (3.600)

**Scoring Averages at The Ridgewood Country Club**

	<b>Front 9</b>	<b>Back 9</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
<b>R1:</b>	35.235	35.311	70.546	--
<b>R2:</b>	35.720	34.856	70.576	70.561
<b>R3:</b>	34.825	35.000	69.825	70.375

**Bogey-free rounds**

**R1:** Rafa Cabrera Bello (67), Trey Mullinax (68)

**R2:** Louis Oosthuizen (66), Pat Perez (68)

**R3:** Keegan Bradley (62), Billy Horschel (65), Tony Finau (66), Sung Kang (67), Chez Reavie (67), Tiger Woods (68)