



2018 THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

(The 38th of 44 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Carnoustie Golf Links
Carnoustie, Scotland

July 19-22, 2018
Par/Yards: 36-35—71/7,402

FedExCup Pts: 600 to the winner
Purse: \$10,500,000 (\$1,890,000)

Second-Round Notes – Friday, July 20, 2018

Weather: Rain in the morning, clear in the afternoon. SSW wind at 5-10 mph. High of 65.

Second-Round Leaderboard

Zach Johnson	69-67—136 (-6)
Kevin Kisner	66-70—136 (-6)
Tommy Fleetwood	72-65—137 (-5)
Pat Perez	69-68—137 (-5)
Xander Schauffele	71-66—137 (-5)

Cut: 79 players (78 professionals, 1 amateur) at 3-over 145 made the 36-hole cut and advanced to the weekend

Six Things To Know

- Johnson and Kisner are first American's to hold 36-hole lead at an Open at Carnoustie since 1968 (Billy Casper)
- 136 matches best first 36-hole total of any Open Championship at Carnoustie (David Huish/1975, Sergio Garcia/2007)
- American players have held 36-hole lead at The Open the last four years (Jordan Spieth/2017, Phil Mickelson/2016, Dustin Johnson/2015)
- Johnson's longest active streak of consecutive cuts made at The Open is 12, dating to a T20 finish at Carnoustie in 2007
- Fleetwood's second-round 65 is the only bogey-free round this week
- Defending champion Jordan Spieth moved into contention with 4-under 67 to sit T11 at 3-under

Second-Round Lead Notes

47	Second-round leaders/co-leaders at The Open to win from 1892 (most recent, Jordan Spieth/2017, Rory McIlroy/2014)
10	Second-round leaders/co-leaders to win on PGA TOUR in 2017-18 (most recent: Michael Kim/John Deere Classic)
136	Lowest first 36-hole total in The Open at Carnoustie
63	Lowest second round at The Open (Mark Hayes/1977, Greg Norman/1986, Nick Faldo/1993)

Zach Johnson (-6/T1)

Age: 42 (February 24, 1976)

Joined TOUR: 2004

Entering this week

#51	FedExCup
#52	OWGR
12	PGA TOUR wins
379	PGA TOUR starts
19	PGA TOUR starts in 2017-18
2	Top-10s in 2017-18
14	Starts at The Open
2/9	Wins when holding 36-hole lead/co-lead

- 2015 Open Champion bogeyed the first hole of the second round before adding five birdies, including one at the final hole, to shoot 4-under 67

- Seeks second Open Championship (2015) and third major title (2007 Masters Tournament)
- Extends his record of longest active streak of consecutive cuts made to 12 at The Open, dating to a T20 finish at Carnoustie in 2007. Behind Johnson on this list are Steve Stricker (10), Henrik Stenson (10) and Adam Scott (9).
- Two top-10s (T8/The RSM Classic, 5th/Valero Texas Open) and one missed cut (Fort Worth Invitational) in 19 PGA TOUR starts this season
- Nine previous times he's held the 36-hole lead/co-lead on PGA TOUR (most recent, 2018 Valero Texas Open/5th)

Kevin Kisner (-6/T1)

Age: 34 (February 15, 1984)

Joined TOUR: 2011

Entering this week

#52 FedExCup
 #33 OWGR
 2 PGA TOUR wins
 178 PGA TOUR starts
 18 PGA TOUR starts in 2017-18
 3 Top-10s in 2017-18
 3 Starts at The Open
 1/3 Wins when holding 36-hole lead/co-lead

- Held solo lead at 8-under before finding the Barry Burn with his second shot on the final hole, leading to a double bogey
- Lone top-10 finish in 14 prior major championship starts is T7 at 2017 PGA Championship, where he shared the 18- and 36-hole lead and held the solo 54-hole lead
- Only one time has he opened a major championship with a pair of sub-70 rounds: 2017 PGA Championship (67-67)
- Fourth time he's held the second-round lead/co-lead on PGA TOUR and second time in a major championship (2015 WGC-HSBC Champions/2nd, 2017 Fort Worth Invitational/Won, 2017 PGA Championship/T7)

Tommy Fleetwood (-5/T3)

Age: 27 (January 19, 1991)

Joined TOUR: 2018

Entering this week

#32 FedExCup
 #10 OWGR
 0 PGA TOUR wins
 33 PGA TOUR starts
 11 PGA TOUR starts in 2017-18
 4 Top-10s in 2017-18
 4 Starts at The Open

- 2017 European Tour's Race to Dubai winner is the only player to post a bogey-free round this week with 6-under 65
- 65 marks lowest second round at Carnoustie during The Open (previous, 66/Bobby Cole/1975)
- Recorded course-record 63 at Carnoustie in second round of European Tour's 2017 Alfred Dunhill Links
- Making his fifth appearance at The Open, advanced to the weekend for the first time in 2017, finishing T27 at Royal Birkdale.
- Fired 7-under 63 in the final round of the 2018 U.S. Open to finish runner-up, one stroke behind Brooks Koepka.

Pat Perez (-5/T3)

Age: 42 (March 1, 1976)

Joined TOUR: 2002

Entering this week

#22 FedExCup
 #37 OWGR
 3 PGA TOUR wins
 419 PGA TOUR starts
 17 PGA TOUR starts in 2017-18
 4 Top-10s in 2017-18

4 Starts at The Open

- 3-under 68 matches his low round at The Open (68/R2/2008) in 14 total rounds
- Making his 25th start in a major championship, lone top-10 result is T6 at 2015 PGA Championship
- Making his fifth appearance at The Open, a T20 at Carnoustie in 2007 is best finish in previous four
- With victories at 2016 Mayakoba Golf Classic and 2017 CIMB Classic, is one of four players in 40s to win in back-to-back seasons on PGA TOUR since 2009 (Henrik Stenson, Phil Mickelson, Steve Stricker)
- Four top-10s on PGA TOUR this season (Won/CIMB Classic, T5/CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES, T4/Sentry Tournament of Champions, 2nd/Zurich Classic of New Orleans - *teamed with Jason Dufner)

Xander Schauffele (-5/T3)

Age: 24 (October 25, 1993)

Joined TOUR: 2017

Entering this week

#38	FedExCup
#24	OWGR
2	PGA TOUR wins
50	PGA TOUR starts
20	PGA TOUR starts in 2017-18
4	Top-10s in 2017-18
1	Starts at The Open

- Two-time PGA TOUR winner and 2016-17 PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year fired 5-under 66 to jump from T32 to T3
- Making second Open Championship start after finishing T20 at Royal Birkdale last year with a final-round 65
- Owns two top-10s in five previous major championship appearances, both at U.S. Open (T5/2017, T6/2018)

Rory McIlroy (-4/T6)

- Making his 10th start at The Open, with top-five results, including victory in 2014, in his last three appearances (T4/2017, T5/2016, Won/2014). Also posted a T3 in 2010
- Shot 68-76-73-72 (+5) in the 2007 Open Championship at Carnoustie to win the silver medal as top amateur in his first Open Championship
- Four top-five finishes at the Open since 2010 are the most of any player in that time

Erik Van Rooyen (-4/T6)

- First Open appearance is also the 28-year-old South African's first major championship and first PGA TOUR appearance
- Owns victories on Sunshine Tour (2017 Eye of Africa PGA Championship) and Challenge Tour (2017 Hainan Open)
- Runner-up finish at 2017 Joburg Open (December) to earn a spot in The Open is one of four top-10 results on the European Tour this season (T2/Joburg Open, 10/Tshwane Open, T7/Trophee Hassan II, T4/Dubai Duty Free Irish Open)

Matt Kuchar (-4/T6)

- Back nine 32, including final-hole birdie, contributed to second-round 68
- Runner-up finish at The Open last year was his 10th on the PGA TOUR, but first in a major championship
- Owns 97 career top-10s on the PGA TOUR with 10 coming in major championships
- Missed the cut in his first five starts at The Open (1998, 2002, 07, 08, 09), but has made seven cuts in his last nine appearances (2010-2018)
- Posted 74-76—150 (+8) to miss cut in 2007 at Carnoustie.

Tony Finau (-4/T6)

- Made 11 birdies through 36 holes, most of any player
- Sat sixth after 36 holes in his first Open appearance at Royal Troon in 2016, eventually finishing T18
- Seeks third-consecutive top-10 finish in a major championship (T10/2018 Masters Tournament, 5th/U.S. Open)

Zander Lombard (-4/T6)

- 23-year-old South African earned a spot in this week's field with T6 at 2018 Dubai Duty Free Irish Open, just the fourth time he'd advanced to the weekend in 20 European Tour starts this season
- Finished T66 at The Open in 2016, his only prior start in the championship
- At No. 444 in the Official World Golf Ranking, is the lowest ranked player of the top 10 on the leaderboard (Johnson/ 52, Kisner/33, Fleetwood/10, Perez/37, Schauffele/24, McIlroy/8, Van Rooyen/144, Kuchar/27, Finau/31)

Tiger Woods (E/T29)

- Marks the first time since The Open in 2013 he has posted par or better in each of the first two rounds of a major
- Projected to jump into the top-20 of the Official World Golf Ranking with a win at The Open. Requires at least a two-way T8 finish to have a chance to reach the top 50 to gain a spot in the World Golf Championships-Bridgestone Invitational
- Before this week, T32 at 2018 Masters Tournament was the only cut he had made in last five major championship starts

Miscellaneous Notes

FedExCup leader Dustin Johnson (76-72) became the first world No. 1 to miss the cut at The Open since Luke Donald in 2011.

With 600 FedExCup points at stake for the winner this week, seven players could mathematically move to No. 1 in the FedExCup standings when the week began, supplanting Dustin Johnson: Justin Thomas (27 points behind); Bubba Watson (159); Justin Rose (270); Jason Day (410); Bryson DeChambeau (435); Patrick Reed (522); and Phil Mickelson (545). The two nearest challengers, Thomas and Watson, missed the cut along with Johnson.

Justin Thomas, the 2017 FedExCup champion, missed the cut for the second time in his third Open Championship (MC/2018, MC/2017, T53/2016) despite beginning each championship with a round in the 60s (69/2018, 67/2017, 67/2016). Thomas posted three consecutive double bogeys at Nos. 6, 7 and 8 in a second-round 77.

World No. 3 Justin Rose birdied No. 18 to make the cut on the number. Had he made par, it would have marked the second time since the inception of the Official World Golf Ranking (1986) that Nos. 1, 2 and 3 had missed the cut in a major championship (2017 U.S. Open).

Sergio Garcia (+4) missed the cut in a major championship for the fourth consecutive time.

The oldest player in the field at age 60, Bernhard Langer (+2) advanced to the weekend for the 24th time in 31 Open starts.

Michael Kim, who won last week's John Deere Classic to earn a start in his first Open Championship, advanced to the weekend (73-69). In his only previous major championship start, Kim finished T17 as low amateur at the 2013 U.S. Open.

Here's a look where the current major champions sit after the second round:

<u>Player</u>	<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Score/Position</u>
Jordan Spieth	2017 The Open	72-67 (T11)
Justin Thomas	2017 PGA Championship	69-77 (MC)
Patrick Reed	2018 Masters Tournament	75-70 (T65)
Brooks Koepka	2018 U.S. Open	72-69 (T18)

David Duval withdrew before the second round due to illness.

Course Statistics

Toughest Hole	Easiest Hole
R1: Par-3 16 th (3.462)	Par-5 14 th (4.545)
R2: Par-4 12 th (4.497)	Par-5 14 th (4.303)

Scoring Averages

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	36.705	36.455	73.160	--
R2:	36.858	35.948	72.806	72.984

Bogey-free rounds

R1: None

R2: Tommy Fleetwood (65)