

2018 Valero Texas Open Broadcast Window & Pre-Tournament Notes



ShotLink Keys to Victory for Kevin Chappell

Kevin Chappell earned his first PGA TOUR victory in his 180th start on TOUR at the Valero Texas Open. Chappell became the seventh first-time winner on TOUR last season. Coming off his career best eighth-place finish in the 2015-2016 FedExCup, Chappell moved up 92 positions in the standings, from 113th to 21st with his win.

Strokes Gained Statistics Kevin Chappell vs. The Field

Category	Rank	Average
Off-the-Tee	4 th	+1.102
Approach-the-Green	2nd	+2.025
Around-the-Green	32 nd	+0.189
Putting	21 st	+0.766
Total	1 st	+4.082

81.2% of Kevin's total strokes gained for the week came from his tee-to-green performance (+3.315). In total, he outperformed the field by +13.26 total strokes from tee-to-green for the week.

Kevin Chappell Career Best

SG: Approaches Performances on TOUR (single course events)

Year	Tournament	Average	Finish
2016	THE PLAYERS Championship	+2.786	2 nd
2013	the Memorial Tournament	+2.035	2 nd
2017	Valero Texas Open	+2.025	WON
2017	FedEx St. Jude Classic	+1.775	T4
2014	Wells Fargo Championship	+1.649	T11

Kevin Chappell's Strokes Gained: Approach-the-Green at the 2017 Valero Texas Open was his third best performance of his career, gaining just over two strokes per round.

Approaches 175-200 Yards: Entering the Valero Texas Open, Kevin Chappell was 204th in approach shots from 175-200 yards averaging 41' 4" to the hole and making birdie or better, in 1 out of 10 attempts (10.2% - T161) from this distance this season. For the week, Chappell averaged 24' 2" (2nd) to the hole and made birdie or better just over 1 out of 5 attempts (21.4% - 6th).

Kevin Chappell from 175 -200 Yards Last Season (Entering 2017 VTO) vs. 2017 VTO

Stat	Last Season	2017 VTO
Proximity to Hole	41' 4" (204 th)	24' 2" (2 nd)
Birdie or Better Pct.	10.2% (T161)	21.4% (6 th)

Proximity to hole 175 - 200 Yards 2017 Valero Texas Open Leaders

Rank	Player	Avg.
1	Freddie Jacobson	23' 8"
2	Kevin Chappell	24' 2"
3	Ryo Ishikawa	24' 3"

*Field Average: 35' 5"

Course & Hole Statistics TPC San Antonio

Last season, the TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks course played as the 10th toughest course, with a scoring average of 72.853 (+0.853). Since 2010, the TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks course has ranked as one of the top-10 toughest courses on the PGA TOUR in five of the last eight seasons.

TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks Course Scoring Average Since 2010

Year	Avg	Avg O/U Par	Season Ranks
2017	72.853	+0.853	10th
2016	72.206	+0.206	17 th
2015	74.521	+2.521	2nd
2014	73.286	+1.286	8th
2013	72.740	+0.740	15 th
2012	73.989	+1.989	4th
2011	73.665	+1.665	7th
2010	72.353	+0.353	17 th

From 2010 to 2017, the TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks course has the toughest greens to hit on the PGA TOUR of any course with a minimum 500 rounds played. In this timeframe, Jim Furyk has hit 142 of 216 greens in regulation (65.74%), marking the best greens in regulation percentage of any player (min 10 rounds) played at TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks course.

Toughest Greens to Hit PGA TOUR 2010 - 2017 (min 500 Rds)

Course	%
TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks	57.22%
Riviera CC	57.42%
Harbour Town GL	57.48%
TPC Southwind	57.96%
Firestone CC (South)	59.30%

Best Greens in Regulation Percentage TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks Course Since 2010

Player	%
Furyk, Jim	65.74%
Palmer, Ryan	64.63%
Castro, Roberto	64.44%
Blanks, Kris	64.35%
Campbell, Chad	64.14%

**Min 10 Rds*

Courses with the Toughest Greens to Hit PGA TOUR Last Season

Rank	Course	%
1	TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks	57.96
2	TPC Four Seasons Resort	58.44
3	Riviera CC	58.61
4	TPC Southwind	58.68
5	Bay Hill Club & Lodge	58.71

**Non-Majors*

Last season, the greens at TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks course were the toughest to hit in regulation of all non-major courses. Player hit 4,820 greens in regulation of the 8,316 holes played (57.96%).

Toughest Greens to Hit Inside 125 Yards PGA TOUR Last Season

Rank	Course	%
1	Firestone CC (South)	72.52
2	TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks	73.53
3	Club de Golf Chapultepec	75.93
4	TPC Four Seasons Resort	76.02
5	Colonial CC	76.65

From inside 125 yards, players hit the green in regulation 73.53% of the time at TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks course at the 2017 Valero Texas Open, the second toughest greens to hit from this distance during the 2016-17 PGA TOUR season.

Last season, seven courses had 81 or more total hole outs. TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks course produced 81-hole outs during the 2017 Valero Texas Open, with 11 of these hole outs coming on the par-5, 14th hole.

**Holes with the Most Hole Outs
PGA TOUR Last Season**

Rank	Course	Hole	Par	Yardage	# of Hole Outs
T1	TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks	14th	5	567	11
T1	The Old White TPC	17 th	5	616	11
T2	TPC Southwind	4 th	3	196	10
T2	Muirfield Village GC	18 th	4	484	10
T2	TPC Four Seasons Resort	10 th	4	435	10
T2	Eagle Point Golf Club	4 th	5	640	10
T2	Club de Golf Chapultepec	4 th	4	506	10
T2	Riviera CC	17 th	5	590	10
T2	Silverado Resort and Spa North	9 th	5	557	10

Broadcast Window Notes

2018 Valero Texas Open *(featured groups)*

Zach Johnson

The two-time Valero Texas Open champion (2008 & 2009) and four-time winner in Texas, Zach Johnson is set to make his eighth start at this event.

Players Qualifying for TOUR Championship 7 or More Times Since 2007

Player	# of Years	Player	# of Years
Johnson, Dustin	9	Day, Jason	7
Rose, Justin	8	Johnson, Zach	7
Kuchar, Matt	8	Watson, Bubba	7
Mickelson, Phil	8	Scott, Adam	7
Furyk, Jim	8	Stricker, Steve	7
Mahan, Hunter	8		

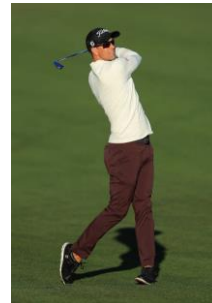
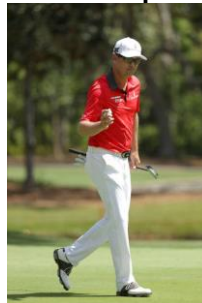
Zach Johnson is one of 11 players who have qualified for The TOUR Championship seven or more times in the FedExCup era (since 2007).

Zach currently ranks 60th in the FedExCup standings on the strength of one top 10 (The RSM Classic, T8), and six top-25 finishes

Two of Zach Johnson's four wins in Texas have come at this event (2008 & 2009) and the other two have come at the Fort Worth Invitational (2010 & 2012).

Most PGA TOUR Wins in Texas in the FedExCup Era

Since 2007, Zach Johnson and Adam Scott have each recorded four PGA TOUR wins in the Lone Star State, most of any player.



Player	Johnson, Zach	Scott, Adam
# of Wins	4	4

Zach Johnson Approach the Green Improvement PGA TOUR Last Season vs. This Season

Zach Johnson has improved 101 positions in SG: Approach-the-Green, moving from 121st last season to 20th this season.

Stat	Last Season	This Season	Improvement
SG: Approach-the-Green	121 st	20 th	+101
Proximity to Hole	T36	3 rd	+33
Fairway Proximity	T73	10 th	+63
Approaches 125-150 Yds	T47	4 th	+43

Zach Johnson Par 3 Performance PGA TOUR This Season

Stat	Rank	Value
Score to Par	T1	-5
Scoring Average*	2nd	2.97
Birdie or Better %	31 st	15.85%

This season, Zach Johnson is a combined five-under on the par 3s and is tied with Paul Dunne and Austin Cook for the best Par 3 Performance. Johnson has improved 95 positions in Par 3 Scoring Average, ranking second this season with a scoring average of 2.97 compared to T97th last season.

*Ranked T97 last season

Charley Hoffman

2016 Valero Texas Open champion, Charley Hoffman is set to make his 13th start at this event. Hoffman currently ranks 81st in the FedExCup standings on the strength of five top-25 finishes, including four top 25s in his last six starts on TOUR. Since 2010, Charley Hoffman has a 70.72 stroke average at TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks course, best of any player (min 10 Rds).

Best Stroke Average Valero Texas Open Since 2010



Player	Hoffman, Charley	Koepka, Brooks	Baddeley, Aaron	Perez, Pat	Harrington, Padraig
Avg	70.72	71.20	71.25	71.25	71.30

*Min 10 Rds

Since 2010, Charley Hoffman has made 137 total birdies at TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oak course, 16 more total birdies than the next best player (Palmer, 121). In this span, Hoffman is a combined 41-under par at the Valero Texas Open, 23 strokes better than the next best player (Baddeley, -18).

Most Total Birdies Made TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks Course Since 2010

Player	# of Birdies
Hoffman, Charley	137
Palmer, Ryan	121
Walker, Jimmy	105
Summerhays, Daniel	95
Jacobson, Freddie	95

Most Under Par Valero Texas Open Since 2010

Player	Score to Par
Hoffman, Charley	-41
Baddeley, Aaron	-18
Palmer, Ryan	-17
Scott, Adam	-14
McIlroy, Rory	-12
Perez, Pat	-12

Charley Hoffman vs. The Field 2016 Valero Texas Open

Stat	Hoffman	The Field
Driving Distance	300.5 (4th)	285.3
Total Driving	38 (6 th)	70
Putting Average	1.592 (2 nd)	1.770
Avg. Distance Putts Made	83' 0" (9 th)	68' 11"
Par 5 Performance	-9 (T1)	Even

Charley Hoffman averaged 15 yards further off the tee than the field at the 2016 Valero Texas Open ranking fourth in Driving Distance. Hoffman took advantage of his length playing the par 5s at TPC San Antonio at a combined nine-under par.

Hoffman gained nearly a total of six strokes on the field in Strokes Gained: Putting at the 2016 Valero Texas Open. Since 2010, he has gained a total of **+26.006** strokes on the field on the greens at this event. The Valero Texas Open is his best event on TOUR in performance on the greens.

Charley Hoffman Combined Tournament Strokes Gained: Putting Total Since 2010

Event	Total
Valero Texas Open	+26.006
RBC Heritage	+17.437
AT&T Byron Nelson	+7.874

Matt Kuchar

2012 PLAYERS champion, Matt Kuchar is set to make his 14th appearance at the Valero Texas Open. Kuchar currently ranks 54th in the FedExCup standings on the strength of three top 10s and four top-25 finishes.

Matt Kuchar

First 28 Rounds vs Last 12 Rounds - This Season

Stat	First 28 Rds	Last 12 Rds
Rounds Under Par	13 (46.43%)	8 (66.67%)
Scoring Average	70.50	70.08
Inside Top 10	5 (17.86%)	5 (41.67%)
Birdie Average	3.43	4.25
Score to Par	-19	-19

In his last 12 rounds on TOUR, Matt Kuchar is a combined 19-under par. In this span, Kuchar has recorded eight under par rounds (66.67%) and has been inside the top 10 of the leaderboard in five of the 12 rounds (41.67%).

This season, Matt Kuchar is a combined 20-under par in the first round and eight of his 10 opening rounds have been par or better (including his last four opening rounds). Kuchar's 20-under par combined is his best total score to par by round in 10 stroke-play events on TOUR.

Matt Kuchar - Round 1 Breakdown PGA TOUR This Season

Stat	Value
Scoring Average	69.30
Score to Par	-20
Rounds Par or Better	8 of 10 (80%)

Matt Kuchar Scoring by Round PGA TOUR This Season

Round	Score to Par
1st	-20
2 nd	-7
3 rd	-10
Final	-1
Total Score to Par	-38

Since 2010, Matt Kuchar is a combined 122-under par in Texas, marking the best score in relation to par in the state of any player.

Most Under Par in Texas PGA TOUR Since 2010

Player	Score to Par
Kuchar, Matt	-122
Hoffman, Charley	-118
Spieth, Jordan	-105

**Entering This Week*

Sergio Garcia

Sergio Garcia is set to make his third appearance at the Valero Texas Open and sixth start this season. Garcia currently ranks 83rd in the FedExCup standings on the strength of three top-10 finishes.

Players to Qualify for FedExCup Playoffs in Every Year of FedExCup

Player	Playoff Appearances	Current Rank
Watson, Bubba	11	3 rd
Mickelson, Phil	11	4 th
Rose, Justin	11	8 th
Howell III, Charles	11	34 th
Moore, Ryan	11	53 rd
Kuchar, Matt	11	54 th
Johnson, Zach	11	60 th
Hoffman, Charley	11	81 st
Garcia, Sergio	11	83rd
Scott, Adam	11	113 th
Haas, Bill	11	121 st
Snedeker, Brandt	11	123 rd
Donald, Luke	11	190 th

Sergio Garcia is one of 13 players that have qualified for the FedExCup Playoffs in each of the first 11 seasons.

Currently, 12 of those 13 players are inside the top 125 of the FedExCup standings.

Nine of the 13 players are inside the top 100 of the standings.

Seven of the 13 players are inside the top 70 of the standings.

Three of the 13 players are currently inside the top 10 of the standings (Watson, Mickelson & Rose).

Since 2012, Sergio Garcia is one of 18 players to qualify for the TOUR Championship in four of the last six seasons. This season, Garcia is in similar position entering week #23 (83rd) compared to the 2012 PGA TOUR season (81st). In 2012, Garcia ranked 81st in the FedExCup entering week #23 eventually finishing 17th in the final season standings.

Sergio Garcia FedExCup Rank Entering Week #23 vs Season Finish Since 2012

Year	Rank Entering Week #23	Season Finish
This Season	83 rd	??
Last Season	12th	21st
2015-16	37 th	32 nd
2014-15	46 th	53 rd
2013-14	36th	13th
2013	52nd	22nd
2012	81st	17th

Si Woo Kim

Defending PLAYERS Champion, Si Woo Kim is set to make his third start at the Valero Texas Open. Kim currently ranks 26th in the FedExCup standings on the strength of four top 10s and five top-25 finishes. Kim is coming off a second-place finish at the 2018 RBC Heritage, losing in a playoff to Satoshi Kodaira.

Biggest FedExCup Movers 2018 RBC Heritage

Last week, Si Woo Kim moved up 24 positions in the FedExCup standings from 50th to 26th, marking the fifth biggest move in the standings at the 2018 RBC Heritage.

Player	Finish	Last Week	This Week	Movement
Billy Horschel	T5	160 th	110 th	+50
Bill Haas	T7	158 th	121 st	+37
Jonas Blixt	T14	183 rd	154 th	+29
J.J. Henry	T16	184 th	158 th	+26
Si Woo Kim	2nd	50th	26th	+24

This season, Si Woo Kim ranks 25th on the PGA TOUR in Strokes Gained: Off-the-Tee compared to 150th last season, an improvement of 125 positions. Si Woo Kim's 125 position improvement in this category is the biggest improvement of any player.

Biggest Improvement in Strokes Gained: Off-the-Tee Last Season vs. This Season

Player	Last Season	This Season	Difference
Si Woo Kim	150th	25th	+125
Ian Poulter	139 th	55 th	+84
Nick Watney	121 st	41 st	+80
Michael Thompson	165 th	88 th	+77
Patton Kizzire	182 nd	114 th	+68

Si Woo Kim

Best Strokes Gained: Off-the-Tee Performance (4 Measure Rounds)

Year	Tournament	Rank	Average	Evt Finish
2016	Wyndham Championship	1 st	+1.462	WIN
2017	THE PLAYERS Championship	2 nd	+1.363	WIN
2018	Sony Open in Hawaii	3 rd	+1.131	T58
2016	THE PLAYERS Championship	12 th	+0.874	T23
2018	RBC Heritage	10th	+0.814	2nd

Last week, Si Woo Kim outperformed the field by +0.814 strokes per round off the tee, marking his fifth best Strokes Gained: Off-the-Tee performance in a PGA TOUR event (4 measured rds).

Billy Horschel

2014 FedExCup champion, Billy Horschel is set to make his eighth appearance at the Valero Texas Open. Horschel was one of three players (Bill Haas & Brandt Snedeker) who were outside the top 125 of the FedExCup entering the RBC Heritage who moved inside the top 125 of the standings entering this week.

Players Outside Top 125 FedExCup Standings Entering RBC Heritage & Entering VTO Currently Inside Top 125

Player	Entering RBC	Entering VTO	+/-
Billy Horschel	160th	110th	+50
Bill Haas	158 th	121 st	+37
Brandt Snedeker	132 nd	123 rd	+9

Billy Horschel ranked inside the top five in several Putting categories en route to a T5 finish at the 2018 RBC Heritage. Horschel ranked third in Strokes Gained: Putting, outperforming the RBC Heritage field by +2.038 strokes per round on the greens. From inside eight feet, Horschel made 60 of 60 putts at Harbour Town GL, marking just the second-time Billy has been perfect from this distance on the PGA TOUR in events where ShotLink data is available (non-majors).

Billy Horschel vs. The Field 2018 RBC Heritage - On the Greens

Stat	Horschel Rank	Horschel Value	Field Avg
SG: Putting	3rd	+2.038	- - -
Putting Average	2 nd	1.563	1.732
3-Putt Avoidance	T1	0.00%	1.88
Putting from 4-8'	1 st	100.00%	65.45
Putting - Inside 10'	5 th	93.94%	87.53
Birdie or Better Conversion Pct.	2 nd	43.75%	30.83

Billy Horschel PGA TOUR Events Perfect from Inside 8'

Year	Event	%	Putts Made
2018	RBC Heritage	100	60
2017	Houston Open	100	60

**Non-Majors*

Jimmy Walker

2015 Valero Texas Open champion, Jimmy Walker is set to make his 13th appearance at this event. Walker currently ranks 117th in the FedExCup standings on the strength of two top-25 finishes.

Jimmy Walker FedExCup Breakdown Since 2013

Stat	# of Weeks	Rank
Weeks #1	48	1st
Inside Top 30	124	8th
Inside Top 70	157	T24
Inside Top 100	185	27 th
Inside Top 125	201	T26

Since 2013, Jimmy Walker has spent 48 weeks first in the FedExCup standings, most of any player. In this span, Walker has ranked inside the top 30 of the standings a total of 124 weeks, eighth most of any player.

201: This week marks the 201st week Jimmy Walker has ranked inside the top 125 in the standings since 2013.

**Rank Entering This Week: 117th*

Since 2013, Jimmy Walker is a combined 28-under par on the par 5s at the Valero Texas Open, T-best of any player (Hoffman). In this span, Walker has made birdie or better on 34 of the 72 (47.22%) par 5s played at this course, marking the third best Par 5 Birdie or Better percentage of any player (*min 30 par 5s played*).

Best Par 5 Performance Valero Texas Open Since 2013

Player	Score to Par
Walker, Jimmy	-28
Hoffman, Charley	-28
Summerhays, Daniel	-22
Baddeley, Aaron	-20

Best Par 5 Birdie or Better Percentage Valero Texas Open Since 2013

Player	%
Garrigus, Robert	56.25%
Cauley, Bud	50.00%
Walker, Jimmy	47.22%
Kang, Sung	46.88%
List, Luke	45.00%

**Min 30 par 5s played*

Only Valero Texas Open Champions Ranking Inside Top 5 in Both SG: Tee-to-Green & SG: Putting Since 2004

	Jimmy Walker	Martin Laird
Year	2015	2013
Tee-to-Green	3rd	4 th
Putting	1st	2 nd

Walker ranked third in SG: Tee-to-Green and first in SG: Putting marking one of two (Laird, 2013) Valero Texas Open champion to rank inside the top five in both Strokes Gained categories en route to victory since 2004.

This season, Jimmy Walker has played his last 183 consecutive holes without recording a three-putt, marking the second-longest active streak without a three-putt entering this week.

Current Streak Without a 3-Putt PGA TOUR This Season

Rank	Player	# of Holes
1	Beau Hossler	205
2	Jimmy Walker	183
3	Kevin Strelman	160
4	Cameron Smith	152
5	Rod Pampling	151

**Entering This Week*

Adam Scott

2010 Valero Texas Open champion, Adam Scott is set to make his third start at this event. Scott has won four times in Texas during the FedExCup era, tied with Zach Johnson for the most wins in Texas since 2007. Adam Scott currently ranks 113th in the FedExCup standings.

Adam Scott PGA TOUR Wins in Texas

Year	Event	Score to Par
2014	Fort Worth Invitational	-9
2010	Valero Texas Open	-14
2008	AT&T Byron Nelson	-7
2007	Houston Open	-17

Since 1983, Adam Scott is the only player to complete the Texas Slam, winning all four PGA TOUR stroke-play events held in the Lone Star State.

**Only player to win all 4 Stroke-Play events in Texas since 1983*

Players Inside Top 15 in Both SG: Approach-the-Green & Around-the-Green

This season, Adam Scott ranks 12th in SG: Approach-the-Green and 15th in SG: Around-the-Green. Scott is one of three players (Spieth & Woods) to rank inside the top 15 in these two Strokes Gained categories.

Player	Approach-the-Green	Around-the-Green
Adam Scott	12th	15th
Jordan Spieth	7 th	14 th
Tiger Woods	10 th	7 th

Jhonattan Vegas

Jhonattan Vegas is set to make his seventh start at the Valero Texas Open. Vegas currently ranks 85th in the FedExCup standings on the strength of one top 10 and four top-25 finishes and has qualified for the TOUR Championship in each of the last two seasons.

Jhonattan Vegas FedExCup Ranks Entering Valero Texas Open Last 2 Seasons

Stat	Rank
Entering 2016 VTO	84 th
2015-16 FEC Finish	29th
Entering 2017 VTO	43 rd
2016-17 FEC Finish	23rd

Jhonattan Vegas is one of two players (Matt Kuchar) to play their way into the TOUR Championship after being outside the top 30 in the FedExCup standings entering the Valero Texas Open in each of the last two seasons.

**Rank Entering This Week: 85th*

Since 2011, Jhonattan Vegas is a combined 27-over par at the Valero Texas Open, marking his second-highest score to par in a PGA TOUR event in this span.

Jhonattan Vegas Highest Score to Par in a PGA TOUR Event Since 2011

Event	Score to Par
The Honda Classic	+34
Valero Texas Open	+27
the Memorial Tournament	+20
Arnold Palmer Invitational	+20

Since 2011, Jhonattan Vegas is a combined 29-over par on the front 9 at TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks Course, marking the third highest score to par on these holes of any player. Vegas is 31 strokes higher on the front nine than on the back nine (-2) at this course in this span.

Highest Score to Par on Front 9 TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks Course Since 2011

Player	Score to Par
Putnam, Michael	+39
Beckman, Cameron	+38
Vegas, Jhonattan	+29
Thompson, Michael	+28

Jhonattan Vegas Front 9 vs. Back 9 Scoring TPC San Antonio - AT&T Oaks Course Since 2011

Front 9	Back 9
+29	-2

Kevin Chappell

Defending Valero Texas Open champion, Kevin Chappell is set to make his ninth appearance at this event. Chappell currently ranks 52nd in the FedExCup standings. Kevin Chappell is one of 14 players to qualify for the TOUR Championship in each of the last two seasons. Six of these 14 players are currently ranked outside the top 30 in the FedExCup standings.

Players to Qualify for TOUR Championship in Each of Last 2 Seasons vs. Current FedExCup Rank

Player	Current Rank	Player	Current Rank
Thomas, Justin	1 st	Kisner, Kevin	30 th
Johnson, Dustin	5 th	Chappell, Kevin	52 nd
Reed, Patrick	6 th	Kuchar, Matt	54 th
Casey, Paul	10 th	Berger, Daniel	62 nd
Day, Jason	12 th	Matsuyama, Hideki	65 th
Woodland, Gary	21 st	Vegas, Jhonattan	85 th
Spieth, Jordan	27 th	Dufner, Jason	103 rd

Total Birdies Leaders 2017 Valero Texas Open

Rank	Player	Total	Evt. Finish
1	Chappell, Kevin	22	WIN
T2	Koepka, Brooks	21	2 nd
T2	Finau, Tony	21	T3
T4	Villegas, Camilo	20	T10
T4	Baddeley, Aaron	20	5 th

22 Total Birdies: Kevin Chappell made a field leading 22 birdies on TPC San Antonio for the week. Five of his 22 birdies were converted from less than 10 feet. He made birdie 25% (T3) of the par 3s and 50% (T4) of the par 5s for the week.

Xander Schauffele

Xander Schauffele is set to make his second start at the Valero Texas Open. Schauffele currently ranks 44th in the FedExCup standings on the strength of two top 10s and six top-25 finishes. Last season, 11 players ranked outside the top 30 entering week #23 of the regular season and played their way into the TOUR Championship. The highest ranked player to make the TOUR Championship entering week #23 last season was Xander Schauffele (152nd) and went onto finish third.

Xander Schauffele FedExCup Rank Entering Week #23 vs FEC Finish

Year	Rank Entering Week #23	FEC Finish
This Season	44 th	??
Last Season*	152nd	3rd

**Best Finish by a Rookie in FedExCup Era*

Last season, Xander Schauffele ranked 152nd entering week #23, eventually finishing third in the final FedExCup standings on the strength of two wins (The Greenbrier Classic & TOUR Championship), marking the highest finish in the FedExCup standings by a PGA TOUR Rookie in the FedExCup era.

Highest Ranked Players Last Season to Make the TOUR Championship (Entering week #23)

Player	Rank Entering Week #23	2016-17 Finish
Xander Schauffele	152nd	3rd
Patrick Reed	97 th	22 nd
Jason Day	92 nd	18 th
Jason Dufner	61 st	30 th
Kyle Stanley	50 th	24 th
Jhonattan Vegas	46 th	23 rd
Patrick Cantlay	43 rd	29 th
Matt Kuchar	41 st	14 th
Webb Simpson	36 th	17 th
Brian Harman	34 th	25 th
Charley Hoffman	31 st	20 th

This season, Xander Schauffele ranks inside the top 16 in several off the tee categories. Schauffele ranks 16th in Strokes Gained: Off-the-tee, outperforming the TOUR by +0.613 strokes per round from the tee. Xander ranks eighth in Driving Distance - All Drives (301.2) and percentage of drives 320 plus yards (27.97%). When using driver, Schauffele averages 313.5 yards off the tee, hitting just over 50% of the fairways and has gained +13.26 total strokes.

Xander Schauffele - Off the Tee Performance PGA TOUR This Season

Stat	Rank	Value
SG: Off-the-Tee	16 th	+0.613
Driving Distance - All Drives	8 th	301.2
Driving Pct. 320+ (All Drives)	8 th	27.97%
Driving Pct. 300+ (All Drives)	10 th	53.67%
Pct. of Yardage covered by Tee Shots	7 th	65.80%

Xander Schauffele - Off the Tee Breakdown by Club PGA TOUR This Season

Stat	Driver	Fwy Woods	Iron
Driving Distance Avg	313.5	286.4	254.3
Hit Fairway Percentage	50.6%	56.1%	85.4%
Total Strokes Gained	+13.26	+3.27	-1.21

Pat Perez

Pat Perez is set to make his 10th start at the Valero Texas Open. Perez currently ranks 17th in the FedExCup standings on the strength of one win (CIMB Classic), three top 10s and five top-25 finishes. Since the start of last season, Pat Perez has spent 60 of 65 weeks (92.3%) inside the top 30 of the FedExCup standings (3rd most of any player).

Most Weeks Ranked Inside Top 30 of FedExCup Since Start of Last Season

Player	% of Weeks	# of Weeks
Brendan Steele	96.9%	63 of 65
Justin Thomas	96.9%	63 of 65
Pat Perez	92.3%	60 of 65

Players in their 40s Ranked Inside the Top 30 of FedExCup Standings

Player	Rank	Age
Mickelson, Phil	4 th	47
Casey, Paul	10 th	40
Perez, Pat	17th	42
Poulter, Ian	24 th	42

Pat Perez is one of four players in their 40s currently ranked inside the top 30 of the FedExCup standings.

Age Group Breakdown of Top 30 in FedExCup Standings

Age Group	# of Players	%
20s	12	40.0%
30s	14	46.7%
40s	4	13.3%

Pat Perez is one of five players to have won a PGA TOUR event in both last season and this season.

Perez won the 2016 OHL Classic at Mayakoba and 2017 CIMB Classic.

Players with PGA TOUR Wins in Each of Last 2 Seasons

Players	Last Season	This Season	# of Wins
Thomas, Justin	5	2	7
Johnson, Dustin	4	1	5
Perez, Pat	1	1	2
Rahm, Jon	1	1	2
Steele, Brendan	1	1	2

Most Top-25 Finishes Without a Win Valero Texas Open Since 2002

Player	# of Top 25s	# of Starts
Estes, Bob	7	13
Jacobson, Freddie	7	11
Perez, Pat	7	9

Pat Perez has finished inside the top 25 in seven of his nine starts at this event. Since 2002, Perez has the t-most top-25 finishes of any player without a win at the Valero Texas Open (Bob Estes & Freddie Jacobson).

Birdie Average Leaders PGA TOUR This Season

Rank	Player	Avg
1	Jon Rahm	4.84
2	Dustin Johnson	4.75
3	Phil Mickelson	4.72
4	Justin Rose	4.57
5	Pat Perez	4.53

*TOUR Avg: 3.53

This season, Pat Perez ranks fifth in Birdie Average, making 4.53 birdies per round played. Perez has made 154 total birdies in 34 total rounds.

Perez is one of seven players to have a birdie or better percentage of 25.0% or higher entering this week.

Birdie or Better % Leaders PGA TOUR This Season

Rank	Player	%
1	Dustin Johnson	27.98
2	Jon Rahm	27.95
3	Phil Mickelson	27.07
4	Justin Thomas	26.54
5	Justin Rose	25.60
6	Pat Perez	25.49
7	Jason Day	25.00

*TOUR Avg: 20.06%