



2018 Wells Fargo Championship
(The 27th of 44 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Charlotte, North Carolina **May 3-6, 2018** **FedExCup Points: 500** **Purse: \$7,700,000**
Quail Hollow Club **Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,554**

Second-Round Notes – Friday, May 4, 2018

Weather: Sunny with a high of 87. Wind SSW 10-18 mph.

36-Hole Cut: 87 players at 3-over 145 from a field of 156 professionals.

Second-Round Leaderboard

Peter Malnati	67-68—135 (-7)
Aaron Wise	68-68—136 (-6)
Jason Day	69-67—136 (-6)
Paul Casey	69-68—137 (-5)
Charl Schwartzel	70-67—137 (-5)
Johnson Wagner	67-71—138 (-4)

Second-Round Lead Notes

- 1 Second-round leaders/co-leaders who went on to win the Wells Fargo Championship (Tiger Woods/2007).
- 6 Second-round leaders/co-leaders to win on TOUR in 2017-18 (through 25 stroke-play events)

Peter Malnati

Age: 30 (June 13, 1987)

Joined TOUR: 2014

Entering this week

#174	FedExCup
673	OWGR
97	PGA TOUR starts
1	PGA TOUR wins
17	PGA TOUR starts in 2017-18
0	Top-10s in 2017-18

Best TOUR result: Win, 2015 Sanderson Farms Championship

This is Malnati's first lead/co-lead after any round on the PGA TOUR, with the exception of the conclusion of his win at the 2015 Sanderson Farms Championship. When he won, he came back from a one-stroke deficit.

11 – total birdies by Peter Malnati, Charl Schwartzel and Aaron Wise to lead the field.

Malnati is not qualified for THE PLAYERS Championship where he has missed the cut in 2 appearances (2016, 2017).

Aaron Wise (T2)

Age: 21 (June 21, 1996)

Joined TOUR: 2018

Entering this week

#105	FedExCup
206	OWGR
24	PGA TOUR starts
0	PGA TOUR wins
16	PGA TOUR starts in 2017-18
0	Top-10s in 2017-18

Best TOUR result: T10, 2016 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open

Wise is hoping to join David Toms (2003, inaugural champion), Rory Mcllroy (2010) and Derek Ernst (2013) as players who won in their first appearance at the Wells Fargo Championship.

Wise needs a win this week to qualify for the first time to THE PLAYERS Championship.

Jason Day (T2)

Age: 30 (November 12, 1987)

Joined TOUR: 2008

Entering this week

#16	FedExCup
14	OWGR
219	PGA TOUR starts
11	PGA TOUR wins (most recent at the 2018 Farmers Insurance Open)
8	PGA TOUR starts in 2017-18
2	Top-10s in 2017-18

Since his last start at the Wells Fargo Championship in 2012, Day has won 10 times on the PGA TOUR.

Day has one win this season (2018 Farmers Insurance Open). There are 3 multiple winners on TOUR this season: Justin Thomas, Patton Kizzire and Bubba Watson.

In three starts at Quail Hollow Club:

T9	2017 PGA Championship
T9	2012 Wells Fargo Championship
T22	2010 Wells Fargo Championship

At the 2017 PGA Championship at Quail Hollow Club, Day was T3 after 36 holes before a 6-over 77 in the third round.

Day has only 2 bogeys through 36 holes, tied with Shawn Stefani for fewest in the field.

This is the second week in a row Day holed-out a bunker shot. He holed-out for eagle from 97'10" from the greenside bunker on No. 10 today after a bunker hole-out during round one of last week's Zurich Classic of New Orleans. He leads the field in Sand Saves (8 of 8).

Day ranks 1st on TOUR for Strokes Gained: Putting (1.386) and 1st in Total Driving. This week he is 16th in SG: Putting (3.347) and 25th in Total Driving.

Day is one of 7 former PLAYERS champions in the field, and the most recent: Jason Day (2016), Rickie Fowler (2015), Martin Kaymer (2014), Tiger Woods (2001, 2013), Phil Mickelson (2007), Adam Scott (2004) and Davis Love III (1992, 2003).

Rory Mcllroy (T48)

On the day of his 29th birthday, two-time Wells Fargo Championship winner Mcllroy posted a 5-over 76, his worst score-to-par in 32 rounds at Quail Hollow Club (including 2017 PGA Championship).

Mcllroy finished one inside the cut line. He remains the only player in tournament history to make the cut on the number and go on to win (2010).

Mcllroy enters the weekend 9 strokes back.

In 7 made cuts at the Wells Fargo Championship (out of 8), this is the second-worst position Rory Mcllroy has been after 36 holes. However, in 2014, he was T59 after the second round, then posted 65-70 on the weekend to finish T8.

Tiger Woods (T48)

Woods only had 1 birdie the second round, a 13'2" birdie putt at his final hole (No. 9) to post 2-over and inside the cut line.

In his first start since a T32 at the Masters, Woods will enter the weekend T48 after rounds of 71-73. Woods has two top-5s in his last 3 starts on TOUR: Valspar Championship (T2) and Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard (T5).

Woods is making his first start in the Wells Fargo Championship since 2012 (MC). The 2007 Wells Fargo Championship is his only TOUR win in the state of North Carolina.

Additional Player Notes

At T4, Paul Casey's best finish in four previous starts at Quail Hollow Club was his T13 at the 2017 PGA Championship. In three previous starts at Quail Hollow Club during the Wells Fargo Championship, he had two missed cuts and a T41.

Charl Schwartzel (T4) made 4 birdies in a 6-hole stretch, needing only 25 putts to compete his second round, tied for the fewest in round two (with Martin Kaymer).

Born in Texas, Johnson Wagner (6th) calls Charlotte, North Carolina home. Making his 12th start in the Wells Fargo Championship, Wagner carded an even-par 71 Friday and will enter the third round only 3 strokes off the lead. Despite being a member of Quail Hollow Club, a T28 in 2016 represents Wagner's best finish among 5 prior made cuts.

Non-member Sam Burns has 1 sponsor's exemption remaining to earn Special Temporary Membership. Burns was 6-under for the tournament through 13 holes before bogeys at Nos. 14, 17, 18. Burns currently has 189 non-member points and needs 80 points to secure STM (likely solo-9th or better).

At 2-over 144, Phil Mickelson (T48) made his 15th cut in as many starts at the Wells Fargo Championship. Including a runner-up finish in 2010 and third-place finishes in 2007 and 2013, Mickelson owns 7 top-5 finishes at this event. His worst finish came in 2006 (T35).

Justin Thomas needs a solo-12th finish or better this week to claim the No. 1 spot in the Official World Golf Ranking from Dustin Johnson, who has held the top spot for the last 62 consecutive weeks. Thomas opened with rounds of 73-69 and is currently T28.

Bob Estes withdrew before the second round due to allergies.

Davis Love III withdrew prior to the second round with back pain.

Course Statistics

Toughest Hole

R1: The par-4 16th at 4.429

R2: The par-4 11th at 4.355

Easiest Hole

R1: The par-5 15th at 4.622

R2: The par-5 15th at 4.678

Scoring Averages at Quail Hollow Club

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	36.071	36.763	72.833	--
R2:	35.599	36.900	72.500	72.667

Early vs. Late Scoring Averages

	Early	Late
R1:	73.33	72.33
R2:	72.87	72.12

Bogey-free rounds

R1: Keegan Bradley (68), Sam Burns (69)

R2: Shawn Stefani (69), Nick Taylor (70), Vaughn Taylor (68), Nick Watney (67)