



2017 WGC-HSBC Champions
(4th of 45 events in the 2017-18 PGA TOUR Season)

Shanghai, China
Sheshan International Golf Club

October 26-29, 2017

Purse: \$9,750,000
Par/Yards 36-36—72/7,261

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, October 29, 2017

Weather: Cloudy skies with high of 62 degrees. Winds NNW 15-20 mph with gusts up to 25 mph.

Final leaderboard

Justin Rose	67-68-72-67 (-14)
Brooks Koepka	64-68-73-71 (-12)
Henrik Stenson	68-69-69-70 (-12)
Dustin Johnson	68-63-68 -77(-12)

Justin Rose

England’s Justin Rose, who started the fourth round eight strokes off Dustin Johnson’s 54-hole lead, matched Phil Mickelson with the low round of the day shooting a 5-under-67 to match the third-best comeback victory in PGA TOUR history after Johnson shot a 5-over-par 77. Rose, the Olympic Games Gold Medal winner, went out in 36 with three bogeys to match his three birdies on the front nine, but shot a 5-under 31 on the back nine for the two-stroke victory over Johnson, Brooks Koepka and Henrik Stenson. At one point in the round, Rose trailed Johnson by six shots with nine holes remaining after bogeys at the 8th and 9th holes.

The eight-stroke come-from-behind victory sets a personal best for Rose, a tournament best and a World Golf Championships record.

Largest comeback victories on the PGA TOUR

Strokes behind	Player	Tournament
10	Paul Lawrie	1999 The Open Championship
9	Stewart Cink	2004 MCI Heritage
8	Justin Rose	2017 World Golf Championships-HSBC Championship
	Kyle Stanley	2012 Waste Management Phoenix Open
	Craig Stadler	2003 B.C. Open
	Scott Simpson	1998 Buick Invitational
	Chip Beck	1990 Buick Open
	Hal Sutton	1985 St. Jude Memphis Classic
	Mark Lye	1983 Bank of Boston Classic
	Ken Venturi	1959 Los Angeles Open
	Jack Burke, Jr.	1956 Masters Tournament

The win is Rose’s eighth victory on the PGA TOUR and first since winning the Zurich Classic of New Orleans in 2015. Since the win in 2015, Rose has five runner-up finishes on the PGA TOUR including his memorable second-place finish to Sergio Garcia at the Masters earlier this year.

The victory is the second World Golf Championships win for Rose, who also won the 2012 Mexico Championship. His previous best finish at the HSBC Champions was fifth place in 2013 in five appearances.

The win gives Rose 550 FedExCup points in his first start of the 2017-18 season. Rose has qualified for the season-ending TOUR Championship in eight of the 11 seasons since the FedExCup launched in 2007, with his best finish coming in 2011.

The last European to win a World Golf Championships event was Scotland's Russell Knox in 2015. Rose was the last player from England to win a WGC at the Mexico Championship in 2012.

2017-18 starts-made cuts-top 10s-wins: 1-1-1-1

PGA TOUR career starts-made cuts-top 10s-wins: 306-255-81-8

Rose final stats:

Driving Accuracy	T29
Greens in Regulation	T3
Putts	T16

About Justin Rose

Height: 6-3

Weight: 195

Birthdate: July 30, 1980

Birthplace: Johannesburg, South Africa

Residence: Bahamas

Family: Wife, Kate, Son, Leo; daughter, Charlotte

Turned Professional: 1998

Joined TOUR: 2004

Dustin Johnson

Dustin Johnson bogeyed the first two holes of the final round and went without a birdie or better during a PGA TOUR round for the seventh time in his career as part of his 5-over-par 77. Johnson's last round without a birdie or better took place during the first round of the 2017 Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide.

Johnson was looking to extend his streak of winning at least on event in each season since his first full season on the PGA TOUR in 2007. He was also looking to become the first player to win three World Golf Championships tournaments in a calendar year and the second player after Phil Mickelson to win two HSBC Champions titles.

Brooks Koepka

Brooks Koepka had an up-and-down final round that included five birdies, but a double bogey on the 15th proved to be more than he could overcome and he finished with a 71 to finish in a three-way tie for second with Dustin Johnson and Henrik Stenson. The finish marks Koepka's fifth career runner-up finish on the PGA TOUR.

Henrik Stenson

Sweden's Henrik Stenson shot a final round of 2-under 70 to finish T2 at the WGC-HSBC Champions for the second successive year. The World No. 9 shot four birdies against two bogeys to finish two strokes behind winner Justin Rose, the same player whom he finished second to at the Olympics in Rio de Janeiro last year when golf made a return to the Games. It was also the 10th time that Stenson has finished runner-up or T2 in his PGA TOUR career.

Playing in the WGC-HSBC Champions for the seventh time, the Swedish golfer was hoping to win a second World Golf Championships title following his lone WGC victory at the 2007 Dell Technologies Match Play. In August, Stenson claimed victory at the Wyndham Championship for his sixth PGA TOUR victory.

Miscellaneous Notes

Phil Mickelson matched Justin Rose's 5-under-par 67 for the low final round of the day. With the score, Mickelson moved to T15 for the tournament.

Peter Uihlein, who is playing for his first full season on the PGA TOUR after finishing 3rd on the Web.Com Tour final ranking, shot a final-round 72 to finish T5. It is his second consecutive top-10 finish after a T10 at the CIMB Classic.

Chinese players scores

Ashun Wu	(-3) T20
Wenchong Liang	(+1) T38
Xinjun Zhang	(+2) T44
Haotong Li	(+4) T50
Zecheng Dou	(+9) T69
Yanwei Liu	(+12) 73
Yi Cao	(+23) 77

Bogey-free rounds

Rd 1: Gavin Green (65), Patrick Reed (66), Wu Ashun (67), Matt Kuchar (67)

Rd 2: Dustin Johnson (63), Brooks Koepka (68), Charl Schwartzel (70)

Rd 3: Poom Saksansin (68)

Rd 4: Richard Sterne (68)

Scoring Averages at Sheshan International GC

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
Rd 1	35.43	35.30	70.74	
Rd 2	36.40	35.84	72.25	
Rd 3	36.93	35.79	72.72	
Rd 4	36.79	36.65	73.44	72.28

FedExCup

The 2017-18 season marks the 12th year of the FedExCup, the season-long points competition highlighted by four FedExCup Playoff events, with the FedExCup champion being crowned at the completion of the TOUR Championship. The World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions is one in a series of four World Golf Championships events including the Mexico Championship (Mexico City, Mexico), the Dell Technologies Match Play (Austin, Texas) and the Bridgestone Invitational (Akron, Ohio).

These high-profile events offer 550 FedExCup points to the winner. All but one of the winners of the last 16 World Golf Championships events have qualified for the TOUR Championship with the lone exception being Shane Lowry, who won the 2015 Bridgestone Invitational as a non-member. Of the last 13 World Golf Championships winners, 11 have finished in the top 10 of the FedExCup 10 times with only Rory McIlroy, finishing 15th, and Shane Lowry finishing outside the top 10.

World Golf Championships winners

Player	Tournament	Final FedExCup standing
Hideki Matsuyama	2017 Bridgestone Invitational	8 th
Dustin Johnson	2017 Dell Technologies Match Play	4 th
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Dustin Johnson	2016 Bridgestone Invitational	2 nd
Jason Day	2016 Dell Technologies Match Play	6 th
Adam Scott	2016 Mexico Championship	4 th

Russell Knox	2015 HSBC Champions	10 th
Shane Lowry	2015 Bridgestone Invitational	N/A
Rory McIlroy	2015 Dell Technologies Match Play	15 th
Dustin Johnson	2015 Mexico Championship	7 th
Bubba Watson	2014 HSBC Champions	5 th
Rory McIlroy	2014 Bridgestone Invitational	3 rd
Patrick Reed	2014 Mexico Championship	21 st
Jason Day	2014 Dell Technologies Match Play	10 th
Dustin Johnson	2013 HSBC Champions	30 th

This shows how every week on the PGA TOUR is significant in the race for the FedExCup – three of the seven winners from the fall calendar of 2016 (Justin Thomas, Hideki Matsuyama and Pat Perez) qualified for the TOUR Championship. The other four winners advanced through at least the second of four Playoffs events (Brendan Steele, Cody Gribble, Rod Pampling and Mackenzie Hughes).