



## **Chubb Classic**

The TwinEagles Club (Talon) | Naples, Florida | February 16-18, 2018

# Final-Round Notes Sunday, February 18, 2018

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T2	Billy Mayfair	-15	68-69-64 - 201	\$98,560	14th
T2	David Toms	-15	68-68-65 - 201	\$98,560	1st
T2	Tim Petrovic	-15	71-66-64 - 201	\$98,560	15th
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## **Ouick Links:**

- Leaderboard
- PGATOURmedia.com (transcripts and other resources available for download)

## Joe Durant, 67-63-67 – 197 (-19)

- Durant gained three strokes on Stricker on Nos. 13 and 14, as he went eagle-birdie to turn a one-shot deficit into • a two-stroke lead. He relinquished the lead on the par-3 16th, as Durant made bogey and Stricker tied the score at 17-under when he made a six-foot birdie putt.
- Durant picked up a stroke with a birdie on No. 17, and he picked up three more on No. 18 when he made a 15-• foot birdie putt and Stricker made double bogey after hitting his approach in the hazard.
- The win is Durant's first since the 2016 3M Championship, and he broke a streak of 37 tournaments without a • victory.
- He earned \$240,000 and moved to No. 3 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings. •
- His career includes one win on the Web.com Tour, four wins on the PGA TOUR and three wins on PGA TOUR Champions. He is one of 13 players with wins on all three tours.
- In 2017, Durant ranked 17th on PGA TOUR Champions in birdies per round (4.10). This week, he made 21 birdies, matching his personal best for a 54-hole tournament. He also made 21 birdies when he won the 2016 3M Championship.
- Durant's winning total of 19-under 197 is one shot shy of the tournament record, held by Kenny Perry (2012 at TwinEagles) and Bernhard Langer (2011 at The Quarry).
- His 19-under total is tied for his lowest score in relation to par, matching his performance at the 2016 3M Championship. His 197 score is his second-lowest total (18-under 195 at the 2015 Toshiba Classic).
- Last season, Durant posted seven top-10s and finished 16th in the Charles Schwab Cup.

## Steve Stricker, 68-63-70 – 201 (-15)

- After making bogey on No. 2, Stricker eagled No. 3 and birdied No. 4 to take a two-shot lead, his biggest of the day. He regained a one-shot lead with a birdie on No. 10, and that lead remained through the 12th hole.
- On the back nine, Stricker made par on the two par 5s, while Durant made an eagle and a birdie.
- The runner-up is Stricker's fifth top-three finish in seven starts on PGA TOUR Champions.
- Stricker's last official win came at the 2012 Sentry Tournament of Champions. Since then, the 12-time PGA TOUR winner has made 87 official starts on the PGA TOUR and PGA TOUR Champions. He does have an unofficial victory in this span, as he partnered with Sean O'Hair to win the QBE Shootout at nearby Tiburón Golf Club in December.
- The 2-under 70 on Sunday was his 19th straight under-par round on PGA TOUR Champions. In 2017, all 16 of his rounds were under par, and his scoring average was 67.75.
- Though this was Stricker's season debut on PGA TOUR Champions, it was his third straight week of competition. Two weeks ago, he finished T31 at the Waste Management Phoenix Open, and last week he finished T26 at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

## David Toms, 68-68-65 - 201 (-15)

- Toms posted a final-round 65 and finished T2, his fifth consecutive top-five finish. He earned \$98,560 and moved to No. 1 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings for the first time in his career.
- He finished the tournament with 15 birdies, 39 pars and 0 bogeys. It is the 37th bogey-free tournament (at least 54 holes of individual stroke play) in PGA TOUR Champions history. It is the 18th time a player has played a bogey-free tournament and not won. Duffy Waldorf is the last player to finish a tournament bogey free, and he did so en route to a victory at the 2016 Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai.
- By shooting 7-under 65, he extended his streak to 13 straight rounds in the 60s. He has a chance to match Jerry Kelly's record streak of 16 in two weeks at the Cologuard Classic. Last year in Tucson, Toms carded rounds of 68-71-70 and finished T15.

## **Other Notes**

- John Daly made a hole-in-one on the par-3 16th with an 8-iron. It was his first ace on PGA TOUR Champions, and his second at a PGA TOUR event (1994 Houston Open). He carded a final-round 67 and finished eighth at 13-under.
- Daly's ace was the 10th in Chubb Classic history, with the last being Denis O'Sullivan in 2008. It was the third hole-in-one made at TwinEagles Club during the Chubb Classic, with the last being Jim Dent in 2004.
- **Billy Mayfair**, who was in the seventh-to-last group, made it a four-way tie for the lead at 15-under when he birdied No. 14, his eighth birdie of the day. He closed with four pars and finished with a final-round 64 and tied for second at 15-under.
- **Tim Petrovic**, a 2017 Q-School graduate, finished with a career-best 64 and posted his career-best finish, a tie for second. His only other top-10 on PGA TOUR Champions was a T7 at the 2017 Pacific Links Bear Mountain Championship.
- Lee Janzen, the 2015 Chubb Classic champion, went out in 4-under 32 and was briefly tied for the lead at 15under. He closed with an even-par 36 and finished in the four-way tie for second. He has tallied three straight top-10s, as he finished T10 last week at the Boca Raton Championship and he closed the 2017 season with a T2 finish at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship.
- **Miguel Angel Jimenez** played in Sunday's final group for the second year in a row. He shot a final-round 72 and finished ninth at 12-under. Last year, he led by one after 36 holes, and he finished second after shooting a final-round 71.
- **Bernhard Langer** finished T36 after a final-round 72, his 36th straight round of par or better. In two weeks, he will have a chance to break the record (38) when he plays the Cologuard Classic in Tucson, Arizona. Last year, Langer carded rounds of 71-68-65 and finished third.
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