



## Sanford International Presented by Cambria

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### Quick Facts

**Golf Course:** Minnehaha Country Club (Par 70 / 6,729)

**Purse:** \$1,800,000 (winner: \$270,000)

**Golf Channel Television Coverage (all times Eastern):**

- Friday: 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. (tape delay)
- Saturday: 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

### Field Overview (as of 9/18/18)

The inaugural Sanford International will be the first PGA TOUR-sanctioned event in South Dakota since the Web.com Tour's Dakota Dunes Open (1990-2001). The 78-player will feature eight of the top-10 players on the Charles Schwab Cup money list, including **Scott McCarron** (No. 2), **Jerry Kelly** (No. 3) and **David Toms** (No. 5). **Paul Broadhurst** (No. 6) will play the event coming off his third win of the season at The Ally Challenge, while **Steve Stricker** (No. 11) will look for his third win of the season in his first start since June. Five members of the World Golf Hall of Fame will also compete: **Tom Kite**, **Sandy Lyle**, **Colin Montgomerie**, **Mark O'Meara**, and **Vijay Singh**.

### Field Highlights:

- 15 of the top-20 in the Charles Schwab Cup money list
- 56 PGA TOUR winners with 330 total career victories
- 46 PGA TOUR Champions winners with 155 total career victories
- 16 players with a PGA TOUR major victory, 14 with a PGA TOUR Champions major victory

### Broadhurst Battles Back

Last week Broadhurst birdied the 18<sup>th</sup> hole in the final round of The Ally Challenge to post a 15-under total and secure a two-shot victory, his third of the season. It was his second win in Michigan this year, as he won the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship in Benton Harbor for his second senior major victory. Broadhurst leads the Tour with three victories this season and is No. 6 in the Charles Schwab Cup.

Broadhurst's win at The Ally Challenge was his fifth win on PGA TOUR Champions, and all five have been final-round comebacks:

- 2016 Senior Open Championship – trailed by 4, shot a final-round 68 and won by 2
- 2016 PURE Insurance Championship – trailed by 1, shot a final-round 68 and won by 1
- 2018 Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf – trailed by 1, won in a playoff with partner Kirk Triplett
- 2018 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship – trailed by 2, shot a final-round 63 and won by 4
- 2018 Ally Challenge – trailed by 1, shot a final-round 66 and won by 2

### **All I do is Win**

Four of five players with multiple wins this season will appear in this week's field: **Paul Broadhurst, Scott McCarron, Vijay Singh, and Steve Stricker**. Miguel Angel Jimenez is the fifth player owning multiple victories (Regions Tradition, Senior Open Championship).

- Broadhurst owns the most victories on Tour this season with three. He claimed his first in a playoff at the Bass Pro Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge alongside **Kirk Triplett**, his second major victory at the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship and again last week at The Ally Challenge.
- McCarron won the American Family Insurance Championship and Shaw Charity Classic by one stroke. His Shaw Charity Classic title his first defense in six attempts.
- Singh won early in the season at the Toshiba Classic by one stroke and then again at the Constellation SENIOR PLAYERS Championship in a playoff over **Jeff Maggert** for his first major victory on PGA TOUR Champions.
- Stricker has only competed in six PGA TOUR Champions events this year, but won back-to-back starts at the Cologuard Classic and Rapiscan Systems Classic.

### **Stricker's Start Before Ryder Cup**

One week before he joins Team USA in France as an Assistant Captain at the Ryder Cup, **Steve Stricker** will make his seventh start of the season on PGA TOUR Champions. He has top-five finishes in each of his six starts this season, including wins at the Cologuard Classic and Rapiscan Systems Classic, and he is No. 11 in the Charles Schwab Cup. Since turning 50 in February 2017, he has 10 top-five finishes in 12 starts, with his worst finish being T13 at the 2017 Regions Tradition.

Stricker's last start on PGA TOUR Champions was in June when he finished T3 at his hometown tournament, the American Family Insurance Championship. Since then, he played three times on the PGA TOUR: John Deere Classic (T43), RBC Canadian Open (T50) and Wyndham Championship (MC).

*Media availability: Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. CT (Media Center)*

### **Toms' Top-Fives**

**David Toms**, who owns 13 wins on the PGA TOUR, will enter the week off his seventh top-five finish this season. Toms won his first PGA TOUR Champions event at the U.S. Senior Open Championship and with a T5 finish last week at The Ally Challenge stands No. 5 in the Charles Schwab Cup.

List of Toms' top-five finishes this season:

- Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualau (3<sup>rd</sup>)
- Boca Raton Championship (4<sup>th</sup>)
- Chubb Classic (T2)
- Toshiba Classic (5<sup>th</sup>)
- Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge (T5)
- U.S. Senior Open Championship (1<sup>st</sup>)
- The Ally Challenge (T5)

*Media availability: Thursday, 1:30 p.m. CT (Media Center)*

### **Byrum Brings it Home**

**Tom Byrum** is the only South Dakota native in the field, as he reigns from the city of Onida. Byrum earned fully exempt status this year after earning medalist honors at PGA TOUR Champions Q-School last December, and this week will be his 18<sup>th</sup> event competed in this year. His best finish came at the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship where he finished T8, his best finish since finishing T6 at the 2017 American Family Insurance Championship. Byrum holds three runner-up finishes on PGA TOUR Champions (2016 Dominion Charity Classic, 2014 PURE Insurance Championship, 2013 Shaw

Charity Classic), two third-place finishes and 18 top-10s. Byrum has finished T17 the last two weeks on Tour (Shaw Charity Classic, The Ally Challenge).

*Media availability: Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. CT (Media Center)*

### **Eight of Top-10 in Charles Schwab Cup Featured in Sioux Falls**

With his win at The Ally Challenge, **Paul Broadhurst** moved to No. 6 in the [Charles Schwab Cup](#). Broadhurst (1 week) is one of six players that has led this season, as other leaders include Jerry Kelly (9), Miguel Angel Jimenez (3), Steve Stricker (3), Bernhard Langer (3) and David Toms (2). This marks just the third time in 18 years that six or more players have been No. 1 in a season (6/2003, 7/2015).

Three events remain in the regular season, and the top 72 players on the money list after the SAS Championship will qualify for the third-annual Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs, which will begin in Richmond, Virginia, at the Dominion Energy Charity Classic.

<b>Player</b>	<b>Money</b>	<b>Season Summary</b>	<b>Weeks #1</b>	<b>Last Week</b>
1. Miguel Angel Jimenez	\$1,746,868	2 wins, 7 top-five finishes, 11 top-10s	3	DNP
2. Scott McCarron	\$1,660,808	2 wins, 7 top-five finishes, 11 top-10s	0	T33
3. Jerry Kelly	\$1,634,818	1 win, 3 runner-up finishes, 10 top-10s	9	T29
4. Bernhard Langer	\$1,561,904	1 win, 5 runner-up finishes, 11 top-10s	3	T8
5. David Toms	\$1,500,264	1 win, 7 top-five finishes, 8 top-10s	2	T5

## ***PGA TOUR Champions – 2018 Season Overview***

PGA TOUR Champions is a membership organization of professional golfers age 50 and older, including 35 members of the World Golf Hall of Fame. The Tour's mission is to provide financial opportunities for its players, entertain and inspire its fans, deliver substantial value to its partners, create outlets for volunteers to give back and generate significant charitable and economic impact in tournament communities. In 2018, the PGA TOUR Champions schedule includes 27 tournaments across the United States, Scotland and Canada, with purses totaling more than \$56 million. The Charles Schwab Cup, which includes the Regular Season and the Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs, is used to determine the season-long champion. All events are televised in the United States, with most receiving complete coverage on Golf Channel, the exclusive cable-television partner of PGA TOUR Champions. Internationally, telecasts air in excess of 190 countries and territories, reaching more than 330 million potential households. Follow PGA TOUR Champions online at [PGATOUR.com](http://PGATOUR.com), [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/pgatourchampions), [Twitter \(@ChampionsTour\)](https://twitter.com/ChampionsTour) and [Instagram \(@pgatourchampions\)](https://www.instagram.com/pgatourchampions).

### **Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs**

In 2017, Kevin Sutherland became just the third player to win the Charles Schwab Cup Championship and the Charles Schwab Cup in the same season. His breakthrough win at the season-ending event was the first of his PGA TOUR Champions career, and it was enough for him to surpass Bernhard Langer, who had won the Charles Schwab Cup the previous three years.

The third edition of the Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs will begin with 72 players at the Dominion Energy Charity Classic (Oct. 15-21). The top 54 will advance to the following week's Invesco QQQ Championship, and the season will conclude with the top 36 players at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship (Nov. 5-11).

At the start of the playoffs, each player's regular-season money total will become the equivalent number of points (e.g. \$330,000 equals 330,000 points). During the three playoff events, each dollar earned is worth two points, and those points will be added to a player's regular-season point total. After the Dominion Energy Charity Classic, the top 54 players will advance, and after the Invesco QQQ Championship, the top 36 players will qualify for the season-ending Charles Schwab Cup Championship. The player with the most points at the conclusion of the Charles Schwab Cup Championship will win the Charles Schwab Cup.

### **2018 Rookie Class**

For players to become eligible to compete for PGA TOUR Champions events they must turn 50 years of age by the first competition round. If a player plays less than six tournaments in his first season of eligibility, he is considered a rookie the following season. Newcomers for 2018 with at least one PGA TOUR win include:

- Brent Geiberger (May 22)
- Robert Gamez (July 21)
- Dudley Hart (August 4)
- Darren Clarke (August 14)
- Chris DiMarco (August 23)

Upcoming rookie classes include:

- 2019 – Retief Goosen (February 3), Angel Cabrera (September 12), Ernie Els (October 17)
- 2020 – Jim Furyk (May 12), Mike Weir (May 12), K.J. Choi (May 19), Phil Mickelson (June 16)

**PGA TOUR Champions – 2018 Schedule**

1. **Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai:** Jerry Kelly birdied the 18th hole in the final round to turn a one-shot deficit into a one-shot victory over Colin Montgomerie. Leading by one on No. 18, Montgomerie found the fairway bunker off the tee and missed the green with his approach. After Kelly made his 18-foot birdie putt, Montgomerie had a chance to force a playoff, but his six-foot par putt slid by the hole.
2. **Boca Raton Championship:** Mark Calcavecchia captured his fourth PGA TOUR Champions title in wire-to-wire fashion, finishing two shots better than Bernhard Langer. Langer, who trailed by as many as four on Sunday, evened the score at 16-under with two holes to play, but he bogeyed the last two holes and finished second. The win was Calcavecchia's first since the 2015 Principal Charity Classic.
3. **Chubb Classic:** Over the last six holes at the Chubb Classic, Joe Durant and Steve Stricker traded two two-shot swings and one three-shot swing. In the end, it was Durant's birdie-birdie finish that produced a 19-under total and four-shot victory, the third of his PGA TOUR Champions career and first since the 2016 3M Championship.
4. **Cologuard Classic:** One year after bogeying No. 18 and finishing runner-up in his PGA TOUR Champions debut, Steve Stricker parred the closing hole en route to a 14-under total and two-stroke victory. It was his first win in his eighth start on Tour, and it was his first victory since the 2012 Sentry Tournament of Champions.
5. **Toshiba Classic:** As many as six players shared the lead Sunday, and Vijay Singh was the last man standing as his five back-nine birdies helped him post an 11-under total and a one-shot victory. It was his first individual win since the Dell Technologies Championship on September 1, 2008, and he had played 237 individual tournaments since that triumph. Singh is the first FedExCup champion (2008) to win on PGA TOUR Champions.
6. **Rapiscan Systems Classic:** For the first time, Steve Stricker claimed consecutive titles on PGA TOUR Champions with his 11-under-par effort at the Rapiscan Systems Classic. Stricker held a one-stroke lead through the front nine on Sunday before making four back-nine birdies to secure the title. His 4-under 68 on Sunday was his 25th consecutive round of par or better (the longest active streak on Tour) and kept his stat of never carding a round over par on PGA TOUR Champions intact.
7. **Mitsubishi Electric Classic:** With a birdie on the second extra hole, Steve Flesch prevailed in a three-man playoff and won the Mitsubishi Electric Classic, his first win on PGA TOUR Champions. Flesch birdied No. 18 to get into a playoff with Bernhard Langer and Scott Parel, and he birdied it twice more in the playoff, first eliminating Langer on the first extra hole, and then Parel. Because of inclement weather in Sunday's forecast, both the second and final rounds were played on Saturday.
8. **Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge:** Kirk Triplett holed a bunker shot for birdie on the first playoff hole to secure the victory with partner Paul Broadhurst at the Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge. The team of Bernhard Langer and Tom Lehman birdied five of their last seven holes (best ball) to get into a playoff at 24-under, but they settled for second place after they both missed birdie putts in sudden death.
9. **Inspire Invitational:** Bernhard Langer saved par on the 54th hole to win wire-to-wire and claim his fourth victory at the Inspire Invitational. Langer led by one through 36 holes, but he started the final round 2-over through eight holes and fell four shots off the pace. He played the last 10 holes bogey free, and birdies on Nos. 9, 10, 13 and 15 gave him an 11-under total and a one-shot win over Paul Goydos, Bart Bryant and Jeff Maggert.
10. **Regions Tradition:** Miguel Angel Jimenez birdied Nos. 16 and 18 to break a three-way tie for the lead and win his first major title. Jimenez had at least a share of the lead after every round, and his 19-under total was three shots better than Steve Stricker, Joe Durant and Gene Sauers. It was Jimenez's fifth win on PGA TOUR Champions, and he extended his streak to five straight years with a victory.

11. **KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship:** Paul Broadhurst carded weekend rounds of 64-63 and won the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship by four strokes with a tournament record-tying total of 19-under 265. Broadhurst's 8-under 63 on Sunday erased the two-shot advantage held by the 54-hole co-leaders, Scott McCarron and Tim Petrovic.
12. **Principal Charity Classic:** After recording a second-round 65, Tom Lehman took a two-shot lead through 36 holes at the Principal Charity Classic. That lead turned into his margin of victory, as severe weather in Des Moines forced the cancellation of the final round and Lehman earned his 11th win on PGA TOUR Champions. Lehman's 13-under 131 total set the tournament's 36-hole scoring record at Wakonda Club, and it was two shots better than Bernhard Langer, Scott Parel, Woody Austin and Glen Day.
13. **American Family Insurance Championship:** Scott McCarron carded an 8-under-par 64 for a one-stroke victory over Wisconsin native Jerry Kelly. The seven-time PGA TOUR Champions winner birdied Nos. 14 through 16 and with pars on the final two holes took the American Family Insurance title with a 15-under-par 201 score. Tournament host Steve Stricker finished T3 with a 7-under-par 65 clean card on Sunday.
14. **U.S. Senior Open:** David Toms made a 15-foot birdie putt to take the lead at No. 16, then a long par putt at No. 17 on his way to a one-shot victory Sunday at the U.S. Senior Open. Toms' two-putt par on No. 18 closed out his final round of even-par 70. His 3-under-par 277 finish claimed his first victory on PGA TOUR Champions over Miguel Angel Jimenez (69), Tim Petrovic (70) and Jerry Kelly (72), who led after each of the first three rounds.
15. **Constellation SENIOR PLAYERS Championship:** Vijay Singh birdied the second playoff hole to defeat Jeff Maggert and win the Constellation SENIOR PLAYERS Championship, his third win on PGA TOUR Champions and first senior major. Singh started the final round one shot behind in fourth place, and he carded a final-round 67 to earn a spot in the playoff at 20-under. With the win, Singh earned an exemption into THE PLAYERS Championship in 2019.
16. **The Senior Open Championship presented by Rolex:** Miguel Angel Jimenez made a 12-foot par putt on St. Andrews' 17th hole to preserve a one-stroke lead, and a par on No. 18 gave him the victory over defending champion Bernhard Langer at The Senior Open Championship presented by Rolex. Jimenez closed with a final-round 69 and finished with a 12-under total for his second major victory of the year on PGA TOUR Champions.
17. **3M Championship:** Kenny Perry built a five-shot lead after carding a second-round 60, and he closed with a 3-under 69 to seal a three-shot victory at the 3M Championship. The win was his third in eight starts at TPC Twin Cities, making him the tournament's second three-time champion (Hale Irwin – 1997, 1999, 2002), and it was his 10th career win on PGA TOUR Champions.
18. **DICK'S Sporting Goods Open:** Bart Bryant made a 25-foot birdie putt on the 18th hole to secure a one-shot victory over Michael Bradley at the DICK'S Sporting Goods Open. Bryant became the first repeat winner in tournament history (2013, 2018), and both of his wins on PGA TOUR Champions have come at this event.
19. **Boeing Classic:** Scott Parel birdied the final six holes on the front nine en route to a 9-under 63 to win the Boeing Classic, his first victory on PGA TOUR Champions and first official victory since 2013. Parel entered the final-round trailing by five strokes behind Kevin Sutherland and Ken Tanigawa before setting a new 18-hole and 54-hole career-low to secure the victory at The Club at Snoqualmie Ridge.
20. **Shaw Charity Classic:** Scott McCarron aced the 14th hole, carded a final-round 63 and turned a three-shot deficit into a one-shot victory the Shaw Charity Classic. The win was the eighth of his career and second of the season, and he became the first player to successfully defend a title on PGA TOUR Champions since Bernhard Langer (2016, 2017 Regions Tradition).

21. **Ally Challenge:** Paul Broadhurst won in Michigan for the second time this season, as a final-round 66 gave him a two-shot victory at the inaugural Ally Challenge. It was Broadhurst's Tour-best third victory of the season and he improved to No. 6 in the Charles Schwab Cup.
22. The Sanford International
23. PURE Insurance Championship
24. SAS Championship
25. Dominion Energy Charity Classic
26. Invesco QQQ Championship
27. Charles Schwab Cup Championship