

2019 AT&T Byron Nelson Broadcast Window & Pre-Tournament Notes



ShotLink Keys to Victory for Aaron Wise

Aaron Wise recorded his first career PGA TOUR victory and recorded the 500th PGA TOUR win by a former Web.com Tour player. Wise earned 500 FedExCup points and moved from 56th to 18th in the standings. Aaron Wise shot rounds of 65 in his first and final rounds of the AT&T Byron Nelson to collect his first PGA TOUR win.

Strokes Gained Statistics vs. The Field

	Rank	Average
Off-the-Tee	2nd	+1.150
Approach-the-Green	1st	+1.498
Around-the-Green	34 th	+0.145
Putting	7 th	+1.392
Total	1 st	+4.185

63% of Wise's total strokes gained for the week were a result of his performance off the tee and approach the green at Trinity Forest. Wise ranked second in SG: Off-the-Tee & first in SG: Approach-the-Green for the week.

Aaron Wise was the first winner since Dustin Johnson (2017 THE NORTHERN TRUST) to rank either first or second in both SG: Off-the-Tee & SG: Approach-the-Green en route to victory.

Highest GIR % in a Four Round Stroke Play Event by a Winner PGA TOUR Since 1997

Wise ranked ninth in Driving Distance (all drives) averaging 295.5 yards off the tee and ranked first in Greens in Regulation, hitting his mark 91.67% of the time. Wise had the highest GIR percentage by a winner on TOUR since 1997.

		PCT.
2018 AT&T Byron Nelson	Aaron Wise	91.67
2006 WGC-Mexico Championship	Tiger Woods	90.28
2003 Sentry TOC	Ernie Els	90.28
2000 Children's Miracle	Duffy Waldorf	90.28
1998 Sony Open	John Huston	90.28
1998 BMW Championship	Joe Durant	90.28

Off the Tee & Approach the Green vs the Field 2018 AT&T Byron Nelson

	Wise Rank	Wise Stat	Field
Driving Distance (All)	9 th	295.5	290.1
Going for the Green	T4	93.7%	80.9%
Driving Accuracy	T6	89.2%	79.5%
Greens in Regulation	1 st	91.6%	76.8%
Fairway Proximity	4 th	31' 7"	36' 9"
Proximity to Hole	3 rd	34' 0"	41' 3"

Aaron Wise ranked inside the top-10 in several key stats at the AT&T Byron Nelson including proximity to the hole averaging over 7 feet closer on approach shots than the field average of 41' 3". Wise did not miss a Green in Regulation on 13 holes (holes 1, 3-11, 14, 16 & 17th) all week.

FedExCup Storylines

2,288 FedExCup Points: Since 2010, Jordan Spieth (2015 FedExCup champion) has earned 2,288 total FedExCup points in the state of Texas, third-most total points earned in this state of any player in this timeframe.

Most FedExCup Points Earned in Texas Since 2010

	# of Points
Matt Kuchar	2,534
Charley Hoffman	2,387
Jordan Spieth	2,288
Zach Johnson	1,982
Jimmy Walker	1,778

Field Breakdown 2019 AT&T Byron Nelson

69 PGA TOUR Winners (203 Total Wins)
59 of the Top-125 in FedExCup Standings
8 of the Top-30 in FedExCup Standings
3 Past FedExCup Champions

AT&T Byron Nelson Champions FedExCup Finishes Since 2007

	Year	FEC Finish
Aaron Wise	2018	24 th
Billy Horschel	2017	42 nd
Sergio Garcia	2016	32 nd
Steven Bowditch	2015	20 th
Brendon Todd	2014	27 th
Sangmoon Bae	2013	69 th
Jason Dufner	2012	14 th
Keegan Bradley	2011	20 th
Jason Day	2010	8 th
Rory Sabbatini	2009	34 th
Adam Scott	2008	47 th
Scott Verplank	2007	14 th

Since 2007, seven of 12 AT&T Byron Nelson champions have qualified for the TOUR Championship, finishing inside the top 30 in the final FedExCup standings in the same year they won this event.

All 12 winners have qualified for the BMW Championship in the same year (Top 70 in FedExCup).

Defending champion and 2017-18 Rookie of the Year Aaron Wise finished 24th in the FedExCup standings.

Jason Day (2010) finished eighth in the final FedExCup standings, marking the best FedExCup finish by a winner at the AT&T Byron Nelson in the FedExCup era.

Course Stats Trinity Forest Golf Club

Easiest Fairways to Hit PGA TOUR Last Season

	PCT.
Trinity Forest Golf Club	79.50
Corales Golf Club	73.40
Club at Nine Bridges	72.42
Sea Island Resort (Seaside)	72.05
Shinnecock Hills GC	71.30

Last season, the field found the fairway off the tee 79.50% of the time at Trinity Forest GC, marking the easiest fairways to hit on the PGA TOUR.

Last season, the greens at Trinity Forest GC, played as the 2nd easiest to hit in regulation on TOUR (76.82%). Trinity Forest GC had the second-highest Going for the Green Percentage of any course, with the field going for the green 80.98% of the time and was a combined 851-under par when going for the green.

Easiest Greens to Hit PGA TOUR Last Season

	PCT.
Aronimink GC	77.41
Trinity Forest Golf Club	76.82
Monterey Peninsula CC	74.70
Sedgefield CC	74.25
Plantation Course at Kapalua	73.69

Highest Going for the Green Percentage PGA TOUR Last Season

	PCT.
Sedgefield CC	84.73
Trinity Forest Golf Club	80.98
East Lake GC	76.25
TPC River Highlands	73.84
Waialae CC	72.04

Lowest Putting PCT. Inside 10' PGA TOUR Last Season

	PCT.
Trinity Forest Golf Club	85.61
Silverado Resort and Spa North	85.73
Riviera CC	85.79
Torrey Pines GC (South)	85.91
Pebble Beach GL	86.01

Last season, the field made 85.61% of the putts from inside 10 feet at Trinity Forest GC, marking the lowest Putting Percentage from this range of any non-major course.

**Non-Majors*

1,916 Total Birdies: Only one course on the PGA TOUR last season yielded more birdies than Trinity Forest GC (Glen Abbey GC). At the 2018 AT&T Byron Nelson, the field made a combined 1,916 total birdies at Trinity Forest GC.

Most Total Birdies PGA TOUR Last Season

	Total
Glen Abbey GC	2,021
Trinity Forest Golf Club	1,916
TPC Deere Run	1,865
Keene Trace Golf Club	1,781
TPC Sawgrass	1,754

Broadcast Window Notes

2015 AT&T Byron Nelson *(featured groups)*

Jordan Spieth

2015 FedExCup champion Jordan Spieth is set to make his ninth start at the AT&T Byron Nelson. Spieth currently ranks 153rd in the FedExCup standings.

Most Starts in a PGA TOUR Event Without a Top-10 Finish

	# of Starts
AT&T Byron Nelson	8
WGC-Mexico Championship	6
Farmers Insurance Open	4

In his career Jordan Spieth has finished inside the top 10 in 35.19% of his starts on the PGA TOUR (57 of 162). However, the AT&T Byron Nelson is one of three TOUR events where Spieth has made multiple starts without recoding a top-10 finish (WGC-Mexico Championship & Farmers Insurance Open).

Since 2010, Jordan Spieth has the third-most rounds under par in Texas (64), third-best score to par in Texas (-128) and t-2nd most rounds in the 60s in Texas (52). Spieth averages 4.33 birdies or better per round in stroke-play events in Texas, marking the third best average of players with 25 or more rounds.

Performance in Texas PGA TOUR Since 2010

	Value	Rank
Score to Par	-128	3 rd
Scoring Average*	69.45	6 th
Birdies or Better Avg*	4.33	3 rd
Rds Under Par	64 of 92	3 rd
Rds in 60s	52 of 92	T2

*Min 25 Rds Played

Most Rounds Under Par in Texas PGA TOUR Since 2010

	# of Rds
Charley Hoffman	73
Matt Kuchar	70
Jordan Spieth	64
Ryan Palmer	63
Jimmy Walker	61

Most Under Par in Texas PGA TOUR Since 2010

	Score to Par
Matt Kuchar	-140
Charley Hoffman	-137
Jordan Spieth	-128
Charles Howell III	-81
Russell Henley	-76
Keegan Bradley	-76

Most Rounds in the 60s in Texas PGA TOUR Since 2010

	# of Rds
Matt Kuchar	55
Charley Hoffman	52
Jordan Spieth	52
Ryan Palmer	50
Jimmy Walker	43

3 FedExCup Champions: Jordan Spieth is one of three past FedExCup champions in the field at the AT&T Byron Nelson (Stenson, 2013 & Haas, 2011).

Past FedExCup Champions in the Field This Week

	Year
Jordan Spieth	2015
Henrik Stenson	2013
Bill Haas	2011

Hideki Matsuyama

Hideki Matsuyama is set to make his second start at the AT&T Byron Nelson (T16, 2018). Matsuyama currently ranks 43rd in the FedExCup standings on the strength of three top 10s and seven top-25 finishes. Since the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season, Hideki Matsuyama has ranked inside the top 30 of the FedExCup in 155 weeks, second-most of any player in this timeframe.

PGA TOUR Results Since Start of 2013-14 Season

	Value
Wins	5
Top-25 Finishes	76
Weeks Ranked Inside Top 30 FedExCup	155
TOUR Championship Appearances*	5

*1 of 4 players to qualify in each of last five seasons

Most Weeks Ranked Inside Top 30 FedExCup Since Start of 2013-14 Season

	# of Weeks	Current Rank
Dustin Johnson	178	5 th
Hideki Matsuyama	155	43rd
Justin Thomas	151	12 th
Gary Woodland	151	9 th
Rickie Fowler	147	6 th

Best SG: Putting Performance PGA TOUR Career

	Rank	Avg	Evt Finish
2016 THE PLAYERS	5	+1.637	T7
2018 AT&T Byron Nelson	5	+1.464	T16
2016 TOUR Championship	1	+1.432	5
2018 Dell Technologies Champ.	3	+1.328	T4

*4 Measured Rds

Last season, Hideki Matsuyama ranked 5th in SG: Putting, outperforming the field at Trinity Forest GC by +1.464 strokes per round on the greens, marking his second-best SG: Putting performance in an event on the PGA TOUR (4 measured rds).

At the 2018 AT&T Byron Nelson, Hideki Matsuyama made 21.74% (5 of 23) of putts from outside 25 feet, 17% more than the field average (4.72%). Matsuyama's five total putts made from over 25 feet at this tournament last season is his most putts made from this range in an event on TOUR.

On the Greens vs. The Field 2018 AT&T Byron Nelson

	Matsuyama	Field
SG: Putting	+1.464 (5th)	- - -
One-Putt Percentage	38.89% (T12)	32.92%
Putting from Inside 10'	94.03% (2nd)	85.61%
Putting from Outside 25'	21.74% (3rd)	4.72%
Avg Distance of Putts Made	102' 2" (2nd)	74' 2"

Most Total Putts Made Over 25 Feet PGA TOUR Career

	Total
2018 AT&T Byron Nelson	5
2014 Farmers Insurance Open	3
2015 Dell Technologies Champ.	3
2018 Dell Technologies Champ.	3
2014 Shriners Hospitals	3
2013 Wyndham Championship	3

Henrik Stenson

2013 FedExCup champion Henrik Stenson is set to make his tournament debut at the AT&T Byron Nelson. Stenson currently ranks 117th in the FedExCup standings with four top-25 finishes. Stenson was one of four players at the Wells Fargo Championship that played their way into the top 125 of the FedExCup standings who started the week outside the number to qualify for the FedExCup Playoffs.

Players Moving Inside Top 125 of FedExCup 2019 Wells Fargo Championship

	Evt Finish	Last Week	This Week
Max Homa	WIN	138 th	35 th
Henrik Stenson	T28	127th	117th
Jim Knous	T13	145 th	121 st
Martin Laird	T31	131 st	125 th

Last week, Henrik Stenson ranked fifth in SG: Approach-the-Green en route to a t-28 finish at the Wells Fargo Championship. Since the start of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR season, Stenson has ranked inside the top-five in SG: Approach-the-Green in 15 events, tied for second-most of any player.

Most Events Ranked Inside Top-5 in SG: Approach-the-Green Since Start of 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season

	# of Events
Hideki Matsuyama	16
Henrik Stenson	15
Paul Casey	15
Justin Thomas	14
Dustin Johnson	13

Patrick Reed

Patrick Reed is set to make his fourth start at the AT&T Byron Nelson and 14th start this season. Reed ranks 62nd in the FedExCup on the strength of seven top-25 finishes and is seeking to qualify for the TOUR Championship for the sixth consecutive season.

Scoring Comparison Stroke-Play Events PGA TOUR This Season

	1 st & 2 nd Rd	3 rd & Final Rd
Score to Par	-35	-7
Scoring Average	70.00	71.35
Rds in 60s	11	7
Rds Under Par	16 of 22	10 of 20
Lowest Rd	-8	-7

This season, Patrick Reed is a combined 35-under par in the first two rounds, 28 strokes better than his combined 3rd and Final round (-7). Reed has played 16 of 22 opening two rounds under par compared to 10 of 20 rounds under par on the weekend (3rd & Final rounds).

Marc Leishman

Marc Leishman currently ranks 13th in the FedExCup standings and is set to make his 11th start at the Byron Nelson. Leishman finished second at this event last season after opening with a 61 in the first round.

FedExCup Performance Since Start of 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season

	Value	PCT.
Weeks Inside Top 125	108	96.4%
Weeks Inside Top 70	108	96.4%
Weeks Inside Top 30	94	83.9%
Weeks Inside Top 15	59	52.7%

**Qualified for TOUR Championship in each of last 2 seasons*

Since the start of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR season, Marc Leishman has spent 52.7% of the weeks ranked inside the top-15 in the FedExCup standings and is one of two players who have ranked inside the top 15 in 24 weeks (Gary Woodland).

Last year, Marc Leishman hit every fairway at Trinity Forest GC and outperformed the field by +8.564 total strokes en route to a first round 61, marking his lowest round of his PGA TOUR career.

Round 1 Career Ranks 2018 AT&T Byron Nelson

		Rank
Score	61	Lowest
SG: Total	+8.564	Best
Total Eagles	2	T-Most
Driving Accuracy PCT.	100.0%	T-Best

Charles Howell III

Charles Howell III is set to make his 15th start at the AT&T Byron Nelson with three top-10 finishes in his last four starts at this event. Howell has a 67.50 stroke average in his last four starts at this event, 2.56 strokes better than in his first 10 starts at this event (70.06). Charles Howell III's 38-under par score at this event since 2014 is the second-best of any player (Jimmy Walker, -41).

AT&T Byron Nelson Career Performance

	First 10 Starts	Last 4 Starts	Difference
Top 10s	0	3	3
Scoring Average	70.06	67.50	-2.56
Score to Par	+2	-38	40
Best Finish	T17 (2013)	T3 (2014)	--

Most Under Par AT&T Byron Nelson Since 2014

	Score to Par
Jimmy Walker	-41
Charles Howell III	-38
Dustin Johnson	-36
Matt Kuchar	-35
Marc Leishman	-35

Brooks Koepka

Brooks Koepka is set to make his 11th start this season and currently ranks eighth in the FedExCup standings. Brooks has four starts at this event with his best finish being in 2016 where he finished second to Sergio Garcia.

Most Drives Over 340 Yards Since Start of 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season

	Total
Dustin Johnson	441
Bubba Watson	420
Tony Finau	329
J.B. Holmes	303
Brooks Koepka	295

Since the start of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR season only four players have more drives over 340 yards than Brooks Koepka. In this timeframe, Brooks has hit 295 drives over 340 yards.

When having the opportunity of going for the green, Brooks Koepka has gone for the green 81.9% of the time. His aggressiveness of the tee has equated to 43-under par when going for the green on par 4s & 5s.

Going for the Green Leaders PGA TOUR This Season

	PCT.
Brooks Koepka	81.93
Rory McIlroy	80.92
Adam Scott	80.33
Gary Woodland	79.19
Keith Mitchell	79.13

Most Eagles Since Start of 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season

	Total
Justin Thomas	68
Brooks Koepka	58
Tony Finau	58
Dustin Johnson	57

Since the start of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR season, Brooks Koepka has the t-second most Total Eagles of any player on TOUR with 58.

Aaron Wise

Defending AT&T Byron Nelson champion, Aaron Wise currently ranks 89th in the current FedExCup standings. Last season, Wise moved from 56th to 18th with his win at this event and eventually finished 24th in the final FEC standings.

Tournament Record Last Season vs. This Season Entering AT&T Byron Nelson

	Last Season	This Season
Starts	17	12
Wins	0	0
Top 10s	1	1
Top 25s	5	5
FedExCup Rank	56 th	89th

Entering the AT&T Byron Nelson, Aaron Wise is having a similar season this season vs. last season. At this point last season Wise had the same number of top-10s and top-25s than this season.

Ryan Palmer

Since 2004, only three other players have more top-10 finishes in the state of Texas than Ryan Palmer. Ryan has accumulated 11 top-10s in this timeframe.

Most Top-10s in Texas PGA TOUR Official Events Since 2004

	# of Top-10s
Matt Kuchar	16
Zach Johnson	12
Charley Hoffman	12
Ryan Palmer	11

Scoring Stats Last Season vs. This Season

	Last Season	This Season
Scoring Average	71.03 (121 st)	70.61 (36th)
Birdie Average	3.94 (T21)	4.66 (5th)
Final Rd Scoring	70.64 (T96)	67.71 (2nd)
Par 4 Scoring Avg.	4.03 (T80)	3.95 (T4)
Par 4 Performance	+21 (T81)	-19 (T12)

Ryan Palmer has improved in several scoring categories from last season to this season, including scoring average going from 121st to 36th and par 4 performance playing the par 4s last season at 21-over par compared to 19-under par this season

Keith Mitchell

Keith Mitchell is set to make his second start at the AT&T Byron Nelson after finishing t-3 last year. Currently 21st in the FedExCup standings this season, Mitchell's lowest rank in any week was 102nd compared to 189th last season. Mitchell has 11 weeks inside of the top-30 of the FedExCup standings this season including his last 10 consecutive.

FedExCup Performance Last Season vs. This Season

	Last Season	This Season
Highest Rank	57 th	12th
Lowest Rank	189 th	102nd
Weeks Inside Top 30	0	11
FedExCup Finish	67 th	??

Most Total Birdies Since Start of Last Season

	# of Birdies
Jason Kokrak	619
Brian Gay	616
Si Woo Kim	613
Keith Mitchell	607
Brandon Harkins	604
Tony Finau	603

Since the start of last season only six players have made 600 or more birdies on TOUR. Keith Mitchell is fourth on this list with 607 total birdies.

**Entering This Week*

C.T. Pan

Coming off his first PGA TOUR win a few weeks ago at the RBC Heritage, C.T. Pan currently ranks 30th in the FedExCup standings. This marks Pan's third consecutive week inside the top-30 compared to his previous 94 weeks on TOUR where he failed to rank inside the top-30 in any week.

Weeks Ranked Inside Top 30 of FedExCup Standings

Previous 94 Weeks	Last 3 Weeks
0	3

Best Current Streak without a 3-Putt

	Value
Carlos Ortiz	177
Peter Uihlein	174
Wyndham Clark	173
C.T. Pan	163
Joel Dahmen	153

C.T. Pan has a current streak of 163 holes without a 3-putt, currently marking the fourth longest streak on TOUR.

Kevin Tway

Kevin Tway is set to make his 106th career PGA TOUR start. Tway is seeking to make it to the FedExCup playoffs for the third consecutive season. Kevin Tway finished t-9 at last year's AT&T Byron Nelson.

Off-the-Tee Ranks 2018 AT&T Byron Nelson

	Rank
SG: Off-the-Tee	5 th
Driving Distance	5 th
Driving Accuracy	T10
Total Driving	2 nd
Driving % 320 Yards+ (All Drives)	T5

Kevin Tway ranked inside the top-10 in several key off the tee stats at last year's AT&T Byron Nelson, finishing t-9.

Currently 28th in the FedExCup standings, Kevin Tway is the only player on TOUR who has ranked inside the top-30 of the FEC standings in every week this season.

Most Weeks Ranked Inside Top-30 FedExCup Standings This Season

	# of Weeks
Kevin Tway	25
Marc Leishman	24
Gary Woodland	24
Brooks Koepka	23
Patrick Cantlay	23