



2018 Safeway Open
(1st of 46 events in the 2018-19 PGA TOUR Season)

Napa, California
Silverado Resort and Spa (North)

October 4-7, 2018

Purse: \$6,400,000
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,166

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, October 7, 2018

Weather: Sunny and windy, High of 84. Wind N 15-25 mph, gusting to 36 mph.

Final-Round Leaderboard

Kevin Tway	68-67-68-71—274 (-14)*
Ryan Moore	67-67-73-67—274 (-14)
Brandt Snedeker	66-65-69-74—274 (-14)
Luke List	70-69-69-67—275 (-13)
Troy Merritt	67-70-70-68—275 (-13)
Sam Ryder	69-70-67-69—275 (-13)
Aaron Baddeley	70-67-69-69—275 (-13)
Sungjae Im	66-69-69-71—275 (-13)

*won playoff with a birdie-3 on the third extra hole (par-4 10th)

Eight Things to Know

- Kevin Tway defeated Ryan Moore with a birdie-3 on the third playoff hole (par-4 10th hole) to win the 2018 Safeway Open; Brandt Snedeker was eliminated on the first hole
- Tway birdied his final five holes to notch his first PGA TOUR title (Nos. 17-18 in regulation, Nos. 18-18-10 in playoff)
- Tway and his Dad, Bob, become the 10th Father-Son duo to win on the PGA TOUR
- Updated playoff records: Tway (1-0), Moore (2-3), Snedeker (2-2)
- Tway won the fifth playoff in the 12-year history of the Safeway Open (most recent: 2015 w/Emiliano Grillo defeating Kevin Na)
- Snedeker finished runner-up in bid to become the first player to win the final Regular Season event followed by opening event the next season in FedExCup era
- Fred Couples finished T41 as he collected his 500th made cut on the PGA TOUR this week
- Sungjae Im (T4) recorded the top finish of the 21 rookies in the field this week

Kevin Tway (-14/1)

Age: 30 (July 23, 1988)
Joined TOUR: 2014

Following his win this week:

1	FedExCup ranking
Top 90	OWGR (projected to move from No. 136)
5	Starts at Safeway Open
1	Top-10 at Safeway Open (Won/2018)
91	PGA TOUR starts
1	PGA TOUR win
55	Made cuts
7	Top-10s in career
1	PGA TOUR start in 2018-19
1	Win in 2018-19

- Collects 500 points and takes the early lead in the FedExCup standings
- FedExCup finishes (No. 177/2014, No. 69/2017, No. 87/2018)
- Wins his first PGA TOUR event in his 91st start at the age of 30 years, 2 months, 15 days
- Entered the final round trailing Brandt Snedeker by three strokes before a 1-under 71 placed him in a playoff with Snedeker and Ryan Moore at 14-under; tournament record for largest comeback is four strokes (Brendan Steele/2016)

- Along with eight-time PGA TOUR winner Bob Tway, becomes the 10th father-son duo to win on the PGA TOUR, joining Tom Morris Sr. and Jr., Willie Park Sr. and Jr., Joe Kirkwood Sr. and Jr., Jack Burke Sr. and Jr., Clayton/Vance Heafner, Julius/Guy Boros, Al/Brent Geiberger, Jay/Bill Haas and Craig/Kevin Stadler
- Birdied his final five holes for the win (Nos. 17-18 in regulation and Nos. 18-18-10 in the playoff)
- Previous-best finishes were back-to-back third-place efforts in 2017 (T3/Valero Texas Open, 3/Zurich Classic of New Orleans)
- Playoff record (1-0)
- Won in his fifth start at the Safeway Open (MC/2011, T40/2013, T62/2016, T52/2017, Won/2018)
- Cumulatively, played his final three holes each day in 10-under (three birdies in R1 on Nos. 7-9, three birdies in R2 on Nos. 16-18, two birdies in R3 on Nos. 16 and 18, two birdies in R4 on Nos. 17 and 18)
- Prior to Brandt Snedeker's win in Greensboro and Tway's win in Napa, the last time American players won season ending/season opening combination was Patrick Reed (2013 Wyndham Championship) and Jimmy Walker (2013 Safeway Open)

Ryan Moore (-14/P2)

- Five-time TOUR winner notches his eighth runner-up finish; playoff record falls to 2-3
- Closed with three birdies in his final four holes (Nos. 15, 16, 18) to post a 5-under 67, eventually falling to Kevin Tway on the third playoff hole
- Five top-20 finishes, including four top-10s, in six starts at the Safeway Open (T6/2007, MC/2008, T8/2009, T10/2015, T17/2017, P2/2018)
- Was seeking his sixth PGA TOUR victory in his 328th start; last win came at the 2016 John Deere Classic
- Coming off of a 71st-place FedExCup finish, the 12th consecutive season he has advanced at least to the second Playoffs event

Brandt Snedeker (-14/P2)

- After entering the final round with a three-stroke cushion over Kevin Tway, posted a 2-over 74 and was later eliminated on the first playoff hole against Ryan Moore and Kevin Tway
- Records eighth runner-up finish on TOUR; Playoff record falls to 2-2
- Falls to 4/11 when carrying the lead/co-lead into the final round
- Runner-up finish comes in his third Safeway Open start (P2/2018, T17/2015, T57/2014)
- Was seeking his 10th PGA TOUR title in his 309th start at the age of 37 years, 9 months, 29 days
- Led the field with 23 birdies (Troy Merritt/22)
- Among four top-10 finishes in the 2017-18 PGA TOUR Season was his ninth TOUR victory at the Wyndham Championship; en route to winning recorded the 10th sub-60 score in PGA TOUR history (ninth player)
- Was seeking to win back-to-back Regular Season events (Wyndham Championship)
- Was seeking to become the first player to win final Regular Season event and opening event the next season in FedExCup era
- Following a 67th-place finish at the 2018 BMW Championship, ended his season ranked 40th in the FedExCup
- One of 10 players to have qualified for the FedExCup Playoffs in every season since it was established (2007)
- Was seeking his fifth win in California (2012/2016 Farmers Insurance Open; 2013/2015 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am)

Miscellaneous Notes

- 59-year-old and sponsor invite Fred Couples finished T41 as he recorded his 500th made cut on the PGA TOUR (492 official, combined with eight at The Open Championship prior to 1995 when the TOUR started counting The Open as an official event).
- 2016 and 2017 Safeway Open winner Brendan Steele finished T53 in his attempt to become the first player to win an event three consecutive years since Steve Stricker at the John Deere Classic (2009-11).
- Luke List played his final five holes at 4-under (birdie-par-birdie-par-eagle) to close with a 5-under 67, finishing T4. In 123 PGA TOUR starts, List owns runner-up (2017 Sanderson Farms Championship, 2018 The Honda Classic) and third-place finishes (2017 Houston Open, 2018 RBC Heritage).
- Troy Merritt closed with five birdies in his final six holes to card a 4-under 68, finishing T4. The finish is his best result in eight starts at the Safeway Open, where a T15 in 2016 was his previous-best outing.
- After missing the cut last year in his only other Safeway Open start, Sam Ryder posted four sub-par rounds this week to finish T4. He managed four sub-par rounds just four times in 26 starts a year ago.
- Aaron Baddeley finished T4 in his attempt to become the TOUR's first Monday Qualifier to win since Arjun Atwal at the 2010 Wyndham Championship. This week marks his first top-10 finish in 11 starts at the Safeway Open.
- Sungjae Im finished T4 as he sought to win his first PGA TOUR start as a full member, with his only previous PGA TOUR starts coming at the 2018 U.S. Open (MC) and 2018 PGA Championship (T42). Im won his first start on the Web.com Tour (2018 The Bahamas Great Exuma Classic at Sandals Emerald Bay) and went on to lead the money list wire-to-wire for the entire year – the first person in Web.com Tour history to achieve the feat.
- J.B. Holmes finished solo-ninth for his best start in four Safeway Open appearances (T61/2007, T33/2010, 72/2012, 9/2018). It marks the first time he has opened the PGA TOUR season with a top-10 finish since 2007 (T4/Sentry Tournament of Champions).
- Danny Lee's T10 finish is his best in five starts at the Safeway Open (T16/2012, T33/2013, T46/2014, T50/2016, T10/2018). It represents the 20th top-10 finish of his PGA TOUR career (198 starts).

- 29-year-old PGA TOUR rookie Chase Wright finished T10 following an even-par 72. Recently engaged to Fuzzy Zoeller's daughter, Gretchen, Wright's only other PGA TOUR start came at The RSM Classic in 2012 (T64).
- After four bogeys in his first nine holes this week, rookie Jim Knous rallied with just three bogeys in the remaining 63 holes to finish T10. This week was his third TOUR start (T41/2017 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, MC/Waste Management Phoenix Open).
- A final-round 1-over 73 snapped Bill Haas' streak of consecutive sub-par rounds on TOUR at seven, leading to a T10 finish. He now has four top-20 finishes in six appearances at the Safeway Open (T10/2018, T17/2017, T20/2016, T20/2008, T51/2007). Haas' lone top-10 finish in 25 starts in 2017-18 season was T7 at RBC Heritage.
- Phil Mickelson finished T17 despite ranking T3 with 21 birdies on the week (trailing Brandt Snedeker/23, Troy Merritt/22).
- Three of the 21 2018-19 PGA TOUR rookies recorded top-10 finishes this week: Sungjae Im (T4), Chase Wright (T10), Jim Knous (T10), Cameron Davis (T17), Cameron Champ (T25), Wyndham Clark (T33), Adam Svensson (T41), Sepp Straka (T46), Martin Trainer (T60), Adam Long (T63), Seth Reeves (T69), Kyle Jones (MDF), Jose de Jesus Rodriguez (MC/-2), Chris Thompson (MC/-1), Brady Schnell (MC/-1), Kramer Hickok (MC/-1), Anders Albertson (MC/+1), K.H. Lee (MC/+1), John Chin (MC/+2), Hank Lebioda (MC/+3), Joey Garber (MC/+5)

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Sepp Straka (63), Chase Wright (64), Phil Mickelson (65), Mackenzie Hughes (66), Sungjae Im (66), Wyndham Clark (66), J.T. Poston (66), Sam Saunders (66), Troy Merritt (67), Jonathan Byrd (67), Roger Sloan (67), Julian Etulain (68), James Hahn (69), Kramer Hickok (69).

R2: Ricky Barnes (61), Michael Thompson (65), Harris English (65), J.J. Spaun (66), Nick Taylor (67), Johnson Wagner (67), Andres Gonzales (68), Bill Haas (68), Jamie Lovemark (68), Tyrone Van Aswegen (69), Harold Varner III (69)

R3: Kevin Tway (68), Brett Drewitt (69), Jim Knous (69)

R4: None

Scoring Averages at the par-72 Silverado Resort and Spa (North):

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	35.181	35.243	70.424	---
R2:	35.549	35.063	70.611	70.517
R3:	35.802	35.849	71.651	70.778
R4:	36.581	36.162	72.743	71.103

The par-3 second hole played the toughest this week at 3.176, while the par-5 fifth hole was the easiest at 4.598.