



2018 THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES

(3rd of 46 events in the 2018-19 PGA TOUR Season)

Jeju Island, South Korea
The Club at Nine Bridges

October 18-21, 2018

Purse: \$9,500,000
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,196

Second-Round Notes – Friday, October 19, 2018

Weather: Mostly sunny and a high of 55F (13C). Wind NW 15-30 mph (25-48 km/h)

Second-Round Leaderboard

Scott Piercy	70-65	135 (-9)
Brooks Koepka	71-65	136 (-8)
Chez Reavie	68-70	138 (-6)
Alex Noren	74-65	139 (-5)
Ian Poulter	70-69	139 (-5)

5 players on 140

Six Things to Know

- Scott Piercy shot a bogey-free 7-under 65 to take a one-shot lead over Brooks Koepka, who also carded a 65 which included an eagle on the par-5 18th hole.
- Piercy's 36-hole score of 9-under 135 matched the halfway score by Luke List in last year's inaugural tournament, won by Justin Thomas.
- Overnight leader Chez Reavie slipped back to third position following a 70.
- After opening with a 74, Alex Noren fired a bogey-free 65, which was a nine-shot improvement, to move into T4 position at 5-under 139 alongside Ian Poulter.
- England's Paul Casey sank the first ever hole-in-one at THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES at the par-3 187-yard seventh hole with a seven iron. It was his second hole-in-one on the PGA TOUR and the ninth of his career.
- Si Woo Kim and Sung Kang are the best placed South Koreans after two rounds. Kim shot a 73 and Kang returned a 67 for T15 position, seven back of Piercy.

Second-Round Lead Notes

- 0/1 Second-round leaders/co-leaders at THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES to win since 2017.
- 1/2 Second-round leaders/co-leaders during the 2018-19 PGA TOUR Season to go on to convert the second-round lead to victory. (Marc Leishman/CIMB Classic)

Scott Piercy

Entering this week

48 th	FedExCup
252 nd	Official World Golf Ranking
4	PGA TOUR Wins
265	PGA TOUR Starts
2	PGA TOUR Starts in 2018-19
0	Top-10s in 2018-19
0	Starts at THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGE
1	Wins when holding 36-hole lead/co-lead

- Carded seven birdies against no bogeys, only one of five players to stay bogey free in the second round.
- Hit 13/14 fairways, 16/18 greens in regulation and took 27 putts in round two. He is ranked T1 for GIR after two rounds.
- Held lead/co-lead after 36 holes three times previously, winning 2012 RBC Canadian Open. 2016 Safeway Open/T3 and 2017 Dean and DeLuca Invitational/T7.
- Finished T27 at CIMB Classic in Malaysia last week. Missed the cut at the season-opening Safeway Open.



- Finished 68th on the 2017-18 FedExCup standings. Won Zurich Classic of New Orleans with Billy Horschel for his fourth PGA TOUR victory. Also finished T6 at the CareerBuilder Challenge for his other top-10.
- Making his debut in THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES.

Brooks Koepka (-8/136)

- Made one eagle on the par-5 18th hole and six birdies against a lone bogey for second place at 8-under 136.
- Hit 10/14 fairways, 15/18 greens in regulation. Took 27 putts.
- Recorded two major championship victories in the 2017-18 PGA TOUR season and became just the fifth player to win the U.S. Open and PGA Championship in the same year. Holds four PGA TOUR wins.
- Became the first repeat winner at the U.S. Open since Curtis Strange in 1989.
- Along with his third major victory at Bellerive Country Club, Koepka set the PGA Championship 72-hole scoring record at 16-under 264.
- Earned 2018 PGA TOUR Player of the Year honors on the strength of six top-10 finishes, highlighted by two major championship wins, two runner-ups and 15 of 17 made cuts.

Chez Reavie (-6/138)

- After hitting every fairway in round one, hit 10 of 14 fairways in round two and hit 16 greens in regulation, one better than Thursday. Took 33 putts, three more than the first round.
- Recorded five birdies on Nos. 2, 5, 9, 10 and 18 against bogeys on Nos. 7, 15 and 16.
- Opened the 2018-19 PGA TOUR season with a T33 finish at the Safeway Open and a T43 finish at the CIMB Classic.
- Finished T15 in the inaugural THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES in 2017.
- Chasing a second career PGA TOUR victory following the 2008 RBC Canadian Open. Has recorded 15 top-10s on TOUR since that victory, including three runner-up finishes.
- Has recorded 231 starts on TOUR since his last TOUR victory. Won the RBC Canadian Open in 2008 in only his 28th career TOUR start.

Alex Noren (-5/139)

- Shot seven birdies against no bogeys for a 65 to move to T4. After making bogeys on the par-5 third hole and par-5 18th hole on Thursday, he made birdies on those holes on Friday.
- In 52 starts on TOUR, has made seven top-10s, with a best finish of T2 at the Farmers Insurance Open last season, losing in a six-hole playoff to Jason Day.
- Chasing a first PGA TOUR win. Holds 10 victories on the European Tour, with his last win being the HNA Open de France in July.

Ian Poulter (-5/139)

- Started his second round with two bogeys in his opening three holes but made five birdies to move up to T4 with a second round 69.
- Finished T15 in THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES last year.
- Finished 50th in the FedExCup standings in 2017-18 season with one victory at the Houston Open via a playoff victory against Beau Hossler and three top-10s.
- Has won three PGA TOUR titles and 10 other European Tour wins.

Korean Players in the Field:

Si Woo Kim	69-73	142 (-2)
Sung Kang	75-67	142 (-2)
Tae Hee Lee	72-71	143 (-1)
Dong Seop Maeng	71-73	144 (E)
Sungjae Im	73-71	144 (E)
Byeong Hun An	70-77	147 (+3)
Hyungjoon Lee	74-72	146 (+4)
Sanghyun Park	75-73	148 (+6)
Whee Kim	76-75	151 (+7)



Kyoung-Hoon Lee	78-73	151 (+7)
Doyeop Mun	72-80	152 (+8)
Hyun-Woo Ryu	77-76	153 (+9)
Minchel Choi	82-72	154 (+10)

The Club at Nine Bridges Notes

- Only one par-5, the 589-yard ninth hole, played to an over par score on Friday. Three par-5 holes played to over-par scores in the first round.
- The par-5 ninth hole last year was the third most difficult hole on the 2017-18 PGA TOUR season. It was the eighth toughest hole today with a scoring average of 5.038.
- The scoring average in round two was 2.193 strokes lower in the second round compared to the opening round.

Miscellaneous Notes

- Defending champion Justin Thomas eagled his last hole for a 70 and is eight shots off of the lead heading into the weekend in a tie for 22nd. He began his season in Malaysia with a T5 finish at the CIMB Classic.
- Brian Harman posted the round of the day with an 8-under 64, 12 shots better than his first-round 76.
- Current FedExCup points leader Kevin Tway shot a 72, one better than his opening round for T44.
- Marc Leishman, who won last week's CIMB Classic by five shots and lost in a playoff here to Justin Thomas in 2017, returned a second-round 1-under 71 for a two-day total of 2-over 146.
- A bogey-free 4-under 68 pushed Pat Perez into T6 heading into the weekend. He finished T5 last year and has won a tournament in the fall season each of the past two years – 2016 OHL Classic at Mayakoba and 2017 CIMB Classic.
- Gary Woodland, who co-led after round two and three at the CIMB Classic before finishing T5, carded a 67, which included a double bogey on the par-5 ninth hole. He sits in T6 going into the weekend rounds.

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: None

R2: Pat Perez (68), Andrew Putnam (68), Scott Piercy (65), Alex Noren (65), Sung Kang (67)

Scoring Averages at the par-72 The Club at Nine Bridges:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	36.525	36.744	73.269	--
R2:	35.871	35.205	71.076	72.174