

2019 Wells Fargo Championship Broadcast Window & Pre-Tournament Notes



ShotLink Keys to Victory for Jason Day

Jason Day captured his 12th career PGA TOUR victory and was one of nine players with multiple wins last season (Farmers Insurance Open). Day moved from 16th to second in the FedExCup standings with his win at the 2018 Wells Fargo Championship, which marked the first time he ranked inside the top two in the standings since week #40 of the 2015-16 PGA TOUR season.

Strokes Gained Statistics vs. The Field

	Rank	Average
Off-the-Tee	19 th	+0.589
Approach-the-Green	50 th	+0.028
Around-the-Green	1st	+1.240
Putting	2nd	+2.061
Total	1 st	+3.919

84.2% of Day's total strokes gained for the week were a result of his performance on and around the greens at Quail Hollow Club.

+13.206: For the week, Jason Day outperformed the field by +13.206 total strokes on and around the greens en route to victory at the 2018 Wells Fargo Championship, marking his career best combined total in Strokes Gained: Around-the-Green and Strokes Gained: Putting.

Career Best Combined Total Strokes Gained on and Around the Greens

	Around	Putting	Combined Total	Event Finish
2018 Wells Fargo Championship	+4.961	+8.245	+13.206	WIN
2017 AT&T Byron Nelson	+3.733	+7.842	+11.575	2 nd
2016 THE NORTHERN TRUST	+2.884	+8.089	+10.973	T4

On and Around the Greens 2018 Wells Fargo Championship

	Rank	
SG: Around-the-Green	1 st	+1.240
Sand Save Pct.	2 nd	93.75%
Scrambling	2 nd	77.42%
SG: Putting	2nd	+2.061
One-Putt Percentage	1 st	56.94%

Jason Day was a perfect 53 of 53 this week and ranked second in Strokes Gained: Putting for the week (+2.061).

Putts Made Percentage by Distance 2018 Wells Fargo Championship

	Rank	PCT.
Putting 4-8'	1 st	88.89
Putting Inside 5'	T1	100.0
Putting Inside 10'	2 nd	94.12
Putting 10-15'	T8	50.0

-3 on the Green Mile: Jason Day played the Green Mile (holes 16-18) a combined three-under par, best of any player for the week and the best of any winner at Quail Hollow Club (Wells Fargo & 2017 PGA Championship). Day was one of only three players to play these holes without a bogey for the week (DeChambeau & Uihlein).

Course & Hole Statistics Quail Hollow Club

Last season, the 72.13 scoring average at Quail Hollow Club (+1.13 over par) was the fifth highest Scoring Average of any course. At 7,554 yards, Quail Hollow Club was the third longest course on TOUR last season.

Toughest Courses PGA TOUR Last Season

	Avg
Shinnecock Hills GC	74.65
PGA National (Champion)	72.30
Carnoustie GC	72.56
Club at Nine Bridges	73.19
Quail Hollow Club	72.13

Longest Courses PGA TOUR Last Season

	Par	Yds
Torrey Pines GC (South)	72	7,698
Corales Golf Club	72	7,670
Quail Hollow Club	71	7,554
Plantation Course at Kapalua	73	7,452
Shinnecock Hills GC	70	7,445

Since 2003, the final three holes at Quail Hollow Club have been the toughest three finishing holes on the PGA TOUR with an average of +0.912 over par.

Toughest Finishing 3 Holes (16-18) PGA TOUR (non-majors) Since 2003

	Avg
Quail Hollow Club	+0.912
Muirfield Village GC	+0.600
Innisbrook Resort (Copperhead) Course	+0.562
GC of Houston	+0.469

**Min 5 seasons played*

+0.864: Last season, the final three holes (16,17,18) played as the toughest finishing three holes on the PGA TOUR of non-major venues with a scoring average of +0.864

Toughest Finishing 3 Holes PGA TOUR (non-majors) Last Season

	Avg
Quail Hollow Club	+0.864
PGA National (Champion)	+0.655
Innisbrook Resort (Copperhead)	+0.607
CC of Jackson	+0.510
Muirfield Village GC	+0.398

Since 2003, there have been 6,911 rounds played at Quail Hollow Club during the Wells Fargo Championship. Here's a breakdown of how players do on holes one through 15 versus the Green Mile (16 through 18).

The Green Mile vs. The Rest of the Course Quail Hollow Club Since 2003-2018

	Holes 1-15	Holes 16-18	PCT.
Birdies or Better	21,158	1,655	7.3%
Bogeys	17,115	5,598	24.6%
Doubles	1,495	934	38.5%
Triples or Worse	153	158	50.8%
Total Balls in Water	1,445	1,353	48.4%
Total Score to Par	-1,144	+6,305	---

During the Wells Fargo Championship, the Green Mile accounts for 24.6% of all bogeys, 38.5% of all doubles, and 50.8% of all triples or worse at Quail Hollow Club. The field is a combined +6,305 over par on holes 16 thru 18 since 2003 (-1,144 on all other holes).

FedExCup Notes

Most Weeks Inside Top 5 FedExCup Standings Since 2007

	# of Weeks
Phil Mickelson	171
Dustin Johnson	143
Tiger Woods	116
Bubba Watson	115

171 Weeks: Since 2007, Phil Mickelson has spent 171 weeks ranked inside the top five of the FedExCup standings, most weeks of any player.

This week, eight players in the field have a chance to move inside the top-five in the FedExCup standings with a victory.

Players in the Field Who Can Move Inside Top 5 With Victory This Week

	Rank Entering Week
Gary Woodland	8 th
Rickie Fowler	9 th
Charles Howell III	10 th
Phil Mickelson	17 th
Justin Rose	18 th
Keith Mitchell	22 nd
J.B. Holmes	23 rd
Sungjae Im	24 th

Winners of Wells Fargo Championship FedExCup Finishes Since 2007

	Year	FEC Finish
Jason Day	2018	16 th
Brian Harman	2017	25 th
James Hahn	2016	39 th
Rory McIlroy	2015	15 th
J.B. Holmes	2014	42 nd
Derek Ernst	2013	93 rd
Rickie Fowler	2012	28 th
Lucas Glover	2011	45 th
Rory McIlroy	2010	36 th
Sean O'Hair	2009	5 th
Anthony Kim	2008	4 th
Tiger Woods	2007	1st

Since 2007, seven of the 12 Wells Fargo champions have qualified for the TOUR Championship.

Defending Wells Fargo champion Jason Day finished 16th in the FedExCup standings, qualifying for the TOUR Championship for the eighth time in his career.

Rory McIlroy (2010 & 2015) is the only two-time winner of the Wells Fargo Championship in the FedExCup era.

Tiger Woods (2007 Wells Fargo champion) is the only player to win this event and the FedExCup title in the same season.

Broadcast Window Notes

2019 Wells Fargo Championship *(featured groups)*

Rory McIlroy

Two-time Wells Fargo champion (2010 & 2015) and 2016 FedExCup champion, Rory McIlroy is set to make his ninth start at this event. Rory McIlroy is in his best position of his PGA TOUR career entering week #25 and enters this week third in the FedExCup standings on the strength of seven top-10s including his victory at THE PLAYERS.

Best Scoring Average Wells Fargo Championship Since 2010

	Avg.
Rory McIlroy	69.57
Jason Day	69.75
Phil Mickelson	69.92
Justin Rose	70.00
Rickie Fowler	70.52

Since 2010, Rory McIlroy has the best Scoring Average at the Wells Fargo Championship of any player with a minimum of 10 rounds (69.57). In this timeframe, McIlroy is 69-under par, marking the second-best score to par at the Wells Fargo Championship of any player (Mickelson, -71).

**min 10 Rds*

Best Score to Par Wells Fargo Championship Since 2010

	Score to Par
Mickelson, Phil	-71
McIlroy, Rory	-69
Fowler, Rickie	-36
Simpson, Webb	-27
Perez, Pat	-24
Rose, Justin	-24

+58.97: Since 2010, Rory McIlroy has gained 58.97 total strokes off the tee at Quail Hollow Club, 33.84 more strokes than the next best player (J.B. Holmes, +25.13). In this timeframe, McIlroy has hit 333 drives of 300 yards or longer at Quail Hollow Club, 69 more drives than J.B. Holmes (264).

Most Total Strokes Gained: Off-the-Tee Quail Hollow Club Since 2010

	Total
Rory McIlroy	+58.97
J.B. Holmes	+25.13
Jhonattan Vegas	+17.72
Gary Woodland	+16.58
Rickie Fowler	+15.95

**Entering This Week*

Most Drives 300 Yards or Longer Quail Hollow Club Since 2010

	Total
Rory McIlroy	333
J.B. Holmes	264
Phil Mickelson	250
Charles Howell III	237
Rickie Fowler	208

**Entering This Week*

Tony Finau

Since the start of the 2016-17 PGA TOUR season, Tony Finau has 21 top-10 finishes on TOUR, marking the most of any player without a victory in this timeframe.

Most Top 10s without a win Since Start of 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season

# Top 10's	
Tony Finau	21
Tommy Fleetwood	13
Luke List	11
Brian Gay	11
Rafa Cabrera Bello	11

FedExCup Season Performance Comparison

	First 2 Seasons	Last 3 Seasons
Total Weeks	85	111
Ranked Inside Top 125	85	108
Ranked Inside Top 70	78	107
Ranked Inside Top 30	19	85

Tony Finau is set to make his fourth start at the Wells Fargo Championship and currently ranks 26th in the FedExCup and has spent 85 of the last 111 weeks ranked inside the Top 30 of the standings.

**Currently Ranked: 26th*

Sergio Garcia

Sergio Garcia is set to make his ninth start at the Wells Fargo Championship and is coming off his 16th career runner-up finish on the PGA TOUR at last week's Zurich Classic of New Orleans. Since the Genesis Open, Sergio Garcia has moved up 150 positions in the FedExCup standings, from 200th to 50th, marking the second biggest move in the standings in this timeframe.

Biggest FedExCup Improvement Since Genesis Open

	After Genesis Open	Entering This Week	Movement
Francesco Molinari	175 th	14 th	+161
Sergio Garcia	200th	50th	+150
Tiger Woods	139 th	16 th	+123
Martin Trainer	185 th	76 th	+109
Charley Hoffman	158 th	51 st	+107

Justin Rose

2018 FedExCup champion Justin Rose is set to make his eighth appearance at the Wells Fargo Championship, recording two top-5 finishes in his last two starts at this event (2016, 3rd & 2014, 5th). Rose currently ranks 18th in the FedExCup standings on the strength of four top 10s, including one win (Farmers Insurance Open).

Most Weeks Ranked Inside Top 30 in FedExCup Standings Since Start of 2016-17 Season

	# of Weeks
Justin Thomas	104
Justin Rose	94
Marc Leishman	93
Paul Casey	85
Jon Rahm	85
Tony Finau	85

94 Weeks Inside the Top 30: Since the start of 2016-17 PGA TOUR season, Justin Rose has ranked inside the top 30 of the FedExCup standings in 94 weeks, second-most of any player in this timeframe.

This season, Justin Rose leads the PGA TOUR in One-Putt Percentage (46.97%), Putts Per Round (27.05) and Birdie or Better Conversion Percentage (39.76%).

On the Greens vs TOUR Average PGA TOUR This season

	Rose	TOUR Avg
One-Putt Percentage	46.97% (1 st)	39.58
3-Putt Avoidance	1.26% (2 nd)	3.07
Putts Per Round	27.05 (1 st)	28.99
Putting from - 20-25'	26.67% (4 th)	12.07
Birdie or Better Conversion PCT.	39.76% (1 st)	30.56

Best One-Putt Percentage PGA TOUR This Season

	PCT.
Justin Rose	46.97
Anirban Lahiri	45.03
Si Woo Kim	44.98
Peter Malnati	44.96
Aaron Baddeley	44.96

Best Putts Per Round PGA TOUR This Season

	Avg
Justin Rose	27.05
Si Woo Kim	27.65
Peter Malnati	27.65
Martin Piller	27.71
Aaron Baddeley	27.84

Best Birdie or Better Conversion PCT. PGA TOUR This Season

	PCT.
Justin Rose	39.76
Bryson DeChambeau	38.37
Si Woo Kim	37.97
Jason Day	37.7
Wyndham Clark	37.29

Rickie Fowler

2012 Wells Fargo champion, Rickie Fowler is set to make his eighth appearance at this event. Rickie Fowler currently ranks ninth in the FedExCup standings, marking the fifth consecutive season he has ranked inside the top 30 through week #24.

Player Ranked Inside Top 30 of FedExCup through Week #24 in Each of Last 5 Seasons

	Dustin Johnson	Rickie Fowler
This Season	5 th	9 th
Last Season	6 th	17 th
2016-17	1 st	8 th
2015-16	20 th	13 th
2014-15	6 th	10 th

This season, Rickie Fowler makes an average of 83' 4" of putts per round, marking the fourth-best Average Distance of Putts Made of any player. Since 2003, 10 of 15 winners at Quail Hollow Club (including 2017 PGA Championship) have made an average of 80 or more feet en route to victory.

Average Distance of Putts Made Leaders PGA TOUR This Season

	Value
Sepp Straka	85' 0"
Stewart Cink	84' 9"
Andrew Putnam	84' 0"
Rickie Fowler	83' 4"
Martin Piller	82' 10"

*TOUR Avg: 71' 8"

Best Average Distance of Putts Made Winners at Quail Hollow Club Since 2003

	Rank	Avg
2010 Rory McIlroy	1 st	105' 2"
2007 Tiger Woods	2 nd	104' 4"
2011 Lucas Glover	1 st	101' 7"
2013 Derek Ernst	1 st	94' 9"
2008 Anthony Kim	8 th	90' 0"

Since 2003, four players have won their first PGA TOUR victory at the Wells Fargo Championship. Fowler is also one of only four players to win both the Wells Fargo Championship (2012) and THE PLAYERS (2015).

First-Time Winners Wells Fargo Championship Since 2003

	Year
Derek Ernst	2013
Rickie Fowler	2012
Rory McIlroy	2010
Anthony Kim	2008

Players to Win Both THE PLAYERS & Wells Fargo Championship

	THE PLAYERS	Wells Fargo
Jason Day	2016	2018
Rickie Fowler	2015	2012
Rory McIlroy	2019	2010 & 2015
Tiger Woods	2001 & 2013	2007

Webb Simpson

Webb Simpson is set to make his 11th start at the Wells Fargo Championship. Simpson currently ranks 38th in the FedExCup standings and in similar position in the race for the FedExCup as each of the last two seasons where Simpson ranked 36th and 38th respectively and qualified for the TOUR Championship in both seasons.

FedExCup Ranks Through Week #24 Last 3 Seasons

	Thru Week #24	Season Finish
This Season	38th	??
Last Season	36th	11 th
2016-17	38th	17 th

This season, Webb Simpson has the third best Scrambling percentage of any player on the PGA TOUR. Simpson manages to salvage par 68.64% of the time when missing the green and four of the last six winners at Quail Hollow Club have ranked inside the top 10 in Scrambling en route to victory.

Best Scrambling Percentage PGA TOUR This Season

	PCT.
Tommy Fleetwood	69.19
Lucas Glover	68.94
Webb Simpson	68.64
Jonathan Byrd	68.37
Patrick Cantlay	68.32

*TOUR Avg: 59.55%

Scrambling Performance Last 6 Winners at Quail Hollow Club

	Rank	PCT.
2018 Jason Day	2	77.4
2017 Justin Thomas*	30	55.6
2016 James Hahn	53	56.0
2015 Rory McIlroy	5	75.0
2014 J.B. Holmes	6	74.1
2013 Derek Ernst	9	66.7

*PGA Championship

Patrick Reed

Currently 66th in the current FedExCup standings, Patrick Reed is set to make his 13th start this season and seventh at the Wells Fargo Championship.

First 5 Events vs. Last 5 Events PGA TOUR Stroke-Play Events This Season

	First 5	Last 5
Best Finish	T7	T14
Rounds in 60s	10	6
Rounds Under Par	15	9
Rounds Over Par	3	9
Score to Par	-38	-1

Patrick Reed started the 2018-19 PGA TOUR season at the WGC-HSBC Champions finishing t-7 which is his best finish this season. Patrick Reed is 37 strokes better in his first five PGA TOUR stroke-play events compared to his last five.

Hideki Matsuyama

Hideki Matsuyama currently ranks 44th in the FedExCup standings. Matsuyama is seeking to get inside of the top-30 for the first time this season. Matsuyama can likely get inside the top-30 with a top-5 finish this week.

The Wells Fargo Championship is one of four PGA TOUR events where Hideki Matsuyama has made four or more starts without recording a top-10 finish.

Fewest Weeks Inside Top-30 FedExCup Standings Through Week #24

Year	# of Weeks
This Season	0
Last Season	3
2013-14	12
2015-16	18
2016-17	23
2014-15	24

Through week #24 of the FedExCup, this marks the first time where Hideki Matsuyama has yet to rank inside of the top-30 of the FedExCup standings in any week of that season.

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

	# of Starts
Sony Open in Hawaii	6
THE NORTHERN TRUST	5
WGC-Mexico Championship	5
Wells Fargo Championship*	4

**Making 5th Start*

Since Hideki's first full season on TOUR in 2013-14, he is yet to rank outside of the top-10 in Strokes Gained: Approach-the-Green. He is the only player who has ranked inside the top-10 in every season.

Most Seasons Ranked Inside Top-10 SG: Approach-the-Green

	# of Seasons
Hideki Matsuyama	6
Adam Scott	3
Justin Thomas	3
Paul Casey	3
Jim Furyk	3
Henrik Stenson	3

**including this season*

Career Ranks Strokes Gained: Approach-the-Green

	Rank
This Season	2nd
Last Season	6 th
2016-17	5 th
2015-16	3 rd
2014-15	9 th
2013-14	3 rd

Paul Casey

Paul Casey is set to make his sixth start at the Wells Fargo Championship. Casey currently ranks fourth in the FedExCup standings. This is Paul's best rank through week 24 of any FedExCup season. Casey has ranked inside the top-30 five previous times and only failed to make it to the TOUR Championship one time.

Best Rank Through Week #24 FedExCup Career

	Rank Through Week #24	Final Finish
This Season	4th	??
2009	11 th	52 nd
2017-18	14 th	25 th
2016-17	24 th	11 th
2010	29 th	6 th
2014-15	29 th	13 th

Wells Fargo Championship Performance Comparison

	First 12 Rds	Last 4 Rds
Scoring Average	72.33	69.25
Rds in 60s	2	3
Rds with 4 or More Birdies	4	3

Last season was the first time where Paul Casey has played all four rounds at par or better at this event.

Harold Varner III

Harold Varner III is 89 positions better in the FedExCup than he was at this point last season. In 16 starts, he has two more top-10s this season than last season and has six more top-25 finishes.

PGA TOUR Record

Last Season vs. This Season Through Zurich Classic

	Last Season	This Season
Starts	16	16
Top 10s	0	2
Top 25s	1	7
Cuts Missed	7	7
FedExCup Rank	160 th	71st

Key Stat Ranks Last Season vs. This Season

	Last Season	This Season
SG: Off-the-Tee	68 th	23rd
Greens in Reg.	73 rd	46th
Rough Proximity	T154	T28
Par 4 Scoring Avg.	T170	T37

Harold Varner has improved in several key stats this season including SG: Off-the-Tee going from 68th last season to 23rd this season.

Phil Mickelson

Phil Mickelson is set to make his 16th start at the Wells Fargo Championship. The Wells Fargo Championship is one of only seven events on TOUR where he has played 15 or more times and is yet to win. Mickelson has 10 top-10 finishes at this event matching his most top-10s of any event on TOUR without a win.

Most Starts without a win PGA TOUR Career

	# of Starts
U.S. Open	27
BMW Championship	21
WGC-FedEx St. Jude	20
the Memorial Tournament	18
THE NORTHERN TRUST	17
WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play	15
Wells Fargo Championship	15

Most Top 10s without a Win PGA TOUR Career

	Top 10s
Wells Fargo Championship	10
U.S. Open	10
WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play	7
WGC-FedEx St. Jude Invitational	5

Most Weeks Ranked Inside Top-30 FedExCup History

	# of Weeks
Dustin Johnson	347
Phil Mickelson	308
Charles Howell III	275
Bubba Watson	268
Justin Rose	252

Phil Mickelson enters the week 17th in the race for the FedExCup marking his 308th week inside the top-30 in his FedExCup career. Mickelson's 308 weeks are the second most of any player behind Dustin Johnson with 347.

Jason Day

Defending Wells Fargo Champion, Jason Day is set to make his fourth start at this event. Day currently ranks 33rd in the FedExCup standings on the strength of five top-10 finishes.

Most PGA TOUR Wins Since Start of 2013-14 Season

	# of Wins
Dustin Johnson	13
Jason Day	11
Jordan Spieth	10
Justin Thomas	9
Rory McIlroy	9

Since the start of the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season, Jason Day is one of four players who have qualified for the TOUR Championship, finishing the season inside the top 30 of the FedExCup in each of the last five seasons. In this timeframe, Jason Day has led the FedExCup standings a total of 14 weeks, marking the fifth most of any player.

Players to Qualify for TOUR Championship in each of Last 5 Seasons

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Dustin Johnson	4 th	4 th	2 nd	7 th	30 th
Jason Day	16th	18th	6th	3rd	10th
Patrick Reed	22 nd	22 nd	3 rd	12 th	21 st
Hideki Matsuyama	13 th	8 th	13 th	16 th	28 th

FedExCup Performance Since Start of 2013-14 Season

	# of Weeks
Ranked Inside Top 125	201
Inside Top 70	176
Inside Top 30	135
Ranked #1	14

**Thru 2019 Zurich Classic*

Strokes Gained: Putting Since Start of 2013-14 PGA TOUR Season

	Rank	Average
This Season	4 th	+0.868
Last Season	2 nd	+0.770
2016-17	37 th	+0.354
2015-16	1 st	+1.130
2014-15	6 th	+0.586
2013-14	29 th	+0.317

Since the start of the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season, Jason Day has ranked inside the top 10 in Strokes Gained: Putting in four of six seasons.

Jason Day and Daniel Summerhays are the only player to rank inside the top 10 in the statistic in four seasons over this timeframe.

Since the start of the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season, 229 players have made 400 or more putting attempts from within 10 to 15 feet. Of these 229 players, Jason Day has the second-best putt make percentage from this distance, making 35.86% of putts (260 of 725).

Best Putt Make Percentage from 10 to 15 Feet Since Start of 2013-14 PGA TOUR Season

	PCT.	Attempts	Makes
Aaron Baddeley	36.04	874	315
Jason Day	35.86	725	260
Andrew Putnam	35.37	441	156
Freddie Jacobson	35.02	634	222
Brendon Todd	34.57	674	233

**Min 400 Attempts*