# 2021 Arnold Palmer Invitational Broadcast Window Notes



21	21 different players have won the first 21 events on TOUR this season
5.2	Average career win number of the 21 winners this season
2	Two first-time PGA TOUR winners this season (Jason Kokrak/ THE CJ CUP @ SHADOW CREEK & Carlos Ortiz/Vivint Houston Open)
32.48	Average age of PGA TOUR winners this season. Seven players in their 20s, 11 in their 30s, three in their 40s have won in the 2020-21 season.
5	The last 5 winners of this event have been international players, longest active streak of

# PGA TOUR Winners This Season (Career TOUR Wins)

international winners in an event on TOUR

#### **Career Win** Collin Morikawa WGC-Workday Championship at The Concession 4<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Branden Grace Puerto Rico Open 2<sup>nd</sup> Max Homa The Genesis Invitational 4<sup>th</sup> Daniel Berger AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am 8<sup>th</sup> Brooks Koepka Waste Management Phoenix Open 9<sup>th</sup> Patrick Reed Farmers Insurance Open 3<sup>rd</sup>Si Woo Kim The American Express 5<sup>th</sup> Kevin Na Sony Open in Hawaii $3^{rd}$ Harris English Sentry Tournament of Champions 2<sup>nd</sup> Viktor Hovland Mayakoba Golf Classic 2<sup>nd</sup> Robert Streb The RSM Classic 24<sup>th</sup> **Dustin Johnson** Masters Tournament 1<sup>st</sup> Carlos Ortiz Vivint Houston Open 5<sup>th</sup> Brian Gay Bermuda Championship ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP @ SHERWOOD 3<sup>rd</sup> Patrick Cantlay THE CJ CUP @ SHADOW CREEK 1st Jason Kokrak 4<sup>th</sup> Martin Laird Shriners Hospitals for Children Open 11<sup>th</sup> Sanderson Farms Championship Sergio Garcia Corales Puntacana Resort & Club Championship 2<sup>nd</sup> **Hudson Swafford** Bryson DeChambeau U.S. Open 7<sup>th</sup> Stewart Cink Safeway Open

### Winners Breakdown PGA TOUR This Season

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20s	7
30s	11
40s	3
Average Age	32.48
First-Time Winners	2
Multiple Winners	0



# Course & Hole Statistics Bay Hill Club and Lodge

**74.11** The field's 74.11 stroke average in 2020 was the highest for a week at Bay Hill Club & Lodge since 1984.

The field hit just over 50% of the greens in regulation for the week (50.53%), marking the toughest greens to hit on TOUR last season and the toughest in a non-major event since 2006

**76.86%** The field hit the green in regulation just 76.86% of the time from inside 125 yards, marking the fourth toughest greens to hit from this distance on TOUR last season.

#### Highest Scoring Average Bay Hill Club & Lodge Since 1984

	Avg
2020	74.11
1993	73.75
2005	73.24
2011	73.20
2012 73.18	

#### Toughest Greens to Hit Inside 125 Yards PGA TOUR Last Season

	PCT
Olympia Fields CC (North)	71.41
Silverado Resort and Spa North	76.22
PGA National (Champion)	76.4
Bay Hill Club & Lodge	76.86
Club de Golf Chapultepec	76.93

### Toughest Greens to Hit PGA TOUR Last Season

	PCT
Bay Hill Club & Lodge	50.53
Riviera Country Club	56.18
PGA National (Champion)	57.10
Muirfield Village GC	57.57

\*Single Course Events

# **44' 1"** The field averaged 44' 1" in proximity to the hole at the 2020 Arnold Palmer Invitational, four feet longer than in 2019 and the longest at this event in the ShotLink era (since 2003

# Proximity to the Hole Average Bay Hill Club & Lodge Since 2015

	Avg	
2020	44' 1"	
2019	40' 1"	
2018	38' 7"	
2017	39' 10"	
2016	38' 8"	
2015	37' 1"	

**16.9%** The field made birdie or better 16.9% of the time from the fairway at Bay Hill Club & Lodge in 2020, marking the second lowest Birdie or Better percentage from the fairway last season

5<sup>th</sup> Bay Hill Club & Lodge had the fifth easiest greenside bunkers to get up and down from last season (56.4%)

**1,592** Fourth most total bogeys or worse of any course last season (1,592)

### Lowest Birdie or Better PCT. From Fairway PGA TOUR Last Season

FGA TOOK Last Season		
	PCT	
Olympia Fields CC (North)	16.4	
Bay Hill Club & Lodge	16.9	
PGA National (Champion)	18.2	
TPC Harding Park	18.2	
Waialae CC	18.7	

### Easiest Greenside Bunkers PGA TOUR Last Season

	PCT
Harbour Town GL	58.7
East Lake GC	58.4
Colonial CC	57.5
Waialae CC	56.7
Bay Hill Club & Lodge	56.4

### Most Total Bogeys or Worse PGA TOUR Last Season

	Total
Muirfield Village GC (Memorial)	1,755
TPC Harding Park	1,719
PGA National (Champion)	1,696
Bay Hill Club & Lodge	1,592
Muirfield Village GC (Workday)	1,516



### **Past Champion Stats**

- Four of the last six winners of the Arnold Palmer Invitational have ranked 9<sup>th</sup> or better in Greens in Regulation en route to victory.
- Since 1970, there has six seasons where seven or more international players have finished inside the top 10 at the Arnold Palmer Invitational. Four of these events have come in the last five year's (2020/7, 2019/9, 2017/7 & 2016/7).
- **1st**Rory McIlroy (2018) is the only winner of the Arnold Palmer Invitational to lead in Proximity to the Hole for the week (in ShotLink era). McIlroy averaged 29' 7" in proximity to the hole and the 2019 Arnold Palmer Invitational is one of 12 events where he has averaged less than 30 feet on average in proximity.

# Greens in Regulation Rank Arnold Palmer Invitational Winners Since 2015

	Rank
2020 Tyrrell Hatton	9
2019 Francesco Molinari	6
2018 Rory McIlroy	45
2017 Marc Leishman	1
2016 Jason Day	29
2015 Matt Every	2

# Arnold Palmer Invitational Champions in ShotLink era Ranked Inside Top 10 in Proximity to the Hole

	Rank
2018 Rory McIlroy	1 <sup>st</sup>
2015 Matt Every	3 <sup>rd</sup>
2006 Rod Pampling	7 <sup>th</sup>
2020 Tyrrell Hatton	10 <sup>th</sup>

# Par 3 Performance Arnold Palmer Invitational Winners Since 2015

	Rank	Score to Par
2020 Tyrrell Hatton	1	-2
2019 Francesco Molinari	3	-2
2018 Rory McIlroy	3	-2
2017 Marc Leishman	4	-1
2016 Jason Day	4	-1
2015 Matt Every	1	-3

**Four** of the last six winners of the Arnold Palmer Invitational have played the par 3s in two under or better and each of the last three winners played the Bay Hill par 3s two under.

- 7 The Arnold Palmer Invitational champion has ranked inside the top-10 in both Strokes Gained: Approach-the-Green & Putting in seven victories since 2004 (last: Marc Leishman/2017).
- 4 Since 2004, the Arnold Palmer Invitational champion has led the field in Strokes Gained: Approach-the-Green in four victories and Strokes Gained: Putting in four victories.

### Strokes Gained: Approach-the-Green vs Putting Arnold Palmer Invitational Champions Since 2004

	<b>Approach</b>	Putting
Led Field	4	4
Inside Top 10	10	13
Average Rank	11.4	7.2

Leading in Either Strokes Gained: Approach-the-Green or Putting Arnold Palmer Invitational Champions Since 2004

Approach-the-Green	Putting
2015 Matt Every	2009 Tiger Woods
2012 Tiger Woods	2013 Tiger Woods
2006 Rod Pampling	2018 Rory McIlroy
2005 Kenny Perry	2004 Chad Campbell



# FedExCup Storylines

The Arnold Palmer Invitational champion has qualified for the TOUR Championship in nine of the 14 seasons of the FedExCup.
Defending Arnold Palmer Invitational champion Tyrrell Hatton finished seventh in the final FedExCup standings last season, which was the eighth time the champion at Bay Hill Club & Lodge has finished the season inside the top 10 of the FedExCup.
Nine players in the field at the Arnold Palmer Invitational can overtake Patrick Cantlay for the top spot on the FedExCup with a win this week.
Marc Leishman's total FedExCup points earned at the Arnold Palmer Invitational, most of any player at this event since 2016. Leishman has finished seventh or better in three of his last four Arnold Palmer Invitational starts, along with five top-25 finishes in this time frame (2016-2020)
Average age of the current top 125 of the FedExCup standings.
There are 10 players under the age of 25 and one player (Steve Stricker/113 <sup>th</sup> /54) over the age of 50 currently ranked inside the top-125 of the FedExCup. Five of the 10 players under the age of 25 are inside the top-30 of the standings.
This season, 27 players have ranked inside the top-125 of the FedExCup, four players have been 70 <sup>th</sup> or better in the standings, Stewart Cink is the only player ranked inside the top-30 in all 20 weeks this season.
The most weeks ranked inside the FedExCup Top 10 this season by any player (Bryson DeChambeau & Stewart Cink)
Total players who have earned FedExCup points in every start this season (min 9 starts). 173 players have made nine or more starts this season (5% of these players have earned FEC points in every event)
This season, seven players have earned an average of more than 100 FedExCup points per start
Five players have ranked No. 1 in the FedExCup standings this season (Bryson DeChambeau/8, Dustin Johnson/7, Patrick Cantlay/3, Stewart Cink/1 & Xander Schauffele/1)



### Arnold Palmer Invitational Champions FedExCup Finishes Since 2007

	Year	<b>FEC Finish</b>
Tyrrell Hatton	2020	7 <sup>th</sup>
Francesco Molinari	2019	40 <sup>th</sup>
Rory McIlroy	2018	13 <sup>th</sup>
Marc Leishman	2017	6 <sup>th</sup>
Jason Day	2016	6 <sup>th</sup>
Matt Every	2015	89 <sup>th</sup>
Matt Every	2014	45 <sup>th</sup>
Tiger Woods	2013	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Tiger Woods	2012	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Martin Laird	2011	31 <sup>st</sup>
Ernie Els	2010	9 <sup>th</sup>
Tiger Woods	2009	WON
Tiger Woods	2008	70 <sup>th</sup>
Vijay Singh	2007	10 <sup>th</sup>

### Players Under Age 25 Inside Top 30 of FedExCup PGA TOUR This Season

	Rank	Age
Viktor Hovland	2 <sup>nd</sup>	23
Joaquin Niemann	10 <sup>th</sup>	22
Collin Morikawa	14 <sup>th</sup>	24
Sungjae Im	22 <sup>nd</sup>	22
Matthew Wolff	24 <sup>th</sup>	21

### Players Who Can Overtake #1 in FedExCup With a Win This Week

	Rank	Pts Behind	
Viktor Hovland	2 <sup>nd</sup>	-38	
Harris English	6 <sup>th</sup>	-269	
Max Homa	11 <sup>th</sup>	-390	
Bryson DeChambeau	12 <sup>th</sup>	-409	
Patrick Reed	13 <sup>th</sup>	-417	
Jason Kokrak	17 <sup>th</sup>	-479	
Kevin Na	20 <sup>th</sup>	-519	
Si Woo Kim	21 <sup>st</sup>	-521	
Sungjae Im	22 <sup>nd</sup>	-533	

# Most FedExCup Points Earned Arnold Palmer Invitational Since 2016

	Total
Marc Leishman	966
Rory McIlroy	848
Francesco Molinari	687
Jason Day	574
Tyrrell Hatton	530

# Earned FedExCup Points in Every Start PGA TOUR This Season (min 9 Starts)

	# of Starts
Tony Finau	10
Joaquin Niemann	10
Webb Simpson	9
Patrick Cantlay	9
Xander Schauffele	9
Viktor Hovland	9
Zach Johnson	9
Jon Rahm	9

<sup>\*173</sup> players w/9+ Starts

# Most FedExCup Points Earned per Start PGA TOUR This Season

		Starts	Rank
Dustin Johnson	184.2	6	4 <sup>th</sup>
Bryson DeChambeau	137.5	6	12 <sup>th</sup>
Patrick Cantlay	137.1	9	1 <sup>st</sup>
Viktor Hovland	132.9	9	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Xander Schauffele	123.3	9	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Patrick Reed	116.7	7	13 <sup>th</sup>
Brooks Koepka	106.7	9	7 <sup>th</sup>



### **2021 Arnold Palmer Invitational** (featured groups)

### **Jason Day**

2016 Arnold Palmer Invitational champion and 2016 PLAYERS champion is set to make his 11<sup>th</sup> start at this event.

#### **Fast Facts on Jason Day:**

- With victories at the Arnold Palmer Invitational and THE PLAYERS in 2016, Jason Day joined Tiger Woods (2001 & 2013) and Tom Kite (1989) to win both events in the same PGA TOUR season
- Jason Day (2016) is one of five PLAYERS champions in the field at Bay Hill Club & Lodge this week.
- Jason Day has shot par or better in each of his last 11 rounds on the PGA TOUR and is 21-under par in this time frame. In his last 11 rounds, Day averages 28.5 putts per round

### Winners of the Arnold Palmer Invitational & THE PLAYERS in Same Season

	Wins
Tiger Woods	2001 & 2013
Jason Day	2016
Tom Kite	1989

# THE PLAYERS Champions In Field This Week

	Win
Rory McIlroy	2019
Si Woo Kim	2017
Jason Day*	2016
Rickie Fowler	2015
Henrik Stenson	2009

\*Won Arnold Palmer Invitational in 2016

# Last 11 Rounds PGA TOUR

Score to Par*	-21
Rds Par or Better	11
Scoring Average	69.9
Putts Per Round	28.5

<sup>\*-17</sup> in Previous 24 Rds

#### **Rickie Fowler**

2015 PLAYERS champion Rickie Fowler is set to make his 10<sup>th</sup> start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational and has finished inside the top 20 at this event in three of his last four starts.

#### Fast Fact on Rickie Fowler:

122<sup>nd</sup>

Currently 122<sup>nd</sup> in the FedExCup, Rickie Fowler is one of seven players who have ranked inside the top 125 of the FedExCup entering week #21 in each of the last 12 PGA TOUR seasons (since 2010).

### Inside Top 125 of FedExCup Thru Week #20 In Each of Last 12 PGA TOUR Seasons

	<b>Current Rank</b>
Dustin Johnson	4 <sup>th</sup>
Marc Leishman	75 <sup>th</sup>
Jason Day	77 <sup>th</sup>
Bubba Watson	84 <sup>th</sup>
Adam Scott	103 <sup>rd</sup>
Charles Howell III	118 <sup>th</sup>
Rickie Fowler	122 <sup>nd</sup>



#### **Viktor Hovland**

Two-time PGA TOUR winner Viktor Hovland has finished fifth or better in four of his last five TOUR starts (dating back to his win at the 2020 Mayakoba Golf Classic). Hovland is seeking his third career PGA TOUR win in his 40<sup>th</sup> career TOUR start.

#### **Fast Facts on Viktor Hovland:**

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Moved to Second in the FedExCup standings with a T2 finish last week at the WGC-Workday
	Championship at The Concession, marking the highest Viktor Hovland has ranked in the
	FedExCup of his TOUR career.

- Since 1990, four players (Tiger Woods/6, Collin Morikawa/4, Rory McIlroy/3 & Carlos Franco/3) have each won three or more times in their first 41 PGA TOUR starts, Hovland is set to make his 40<sup>th</sup> TOUR start this week.
- Viktor Hovland has three top-five finishes this season when starting with a 70 or higher in the opening round, marking the most top-five finishes of any player in the 2020-21 season after opening with a 70 or higher in Round 1.
- Hovland has seven career top five finishes with three coming in his first 34 starts on TOUR and four in his last five starts.
- Viktor Hovland made 14 birdies or better in his last 36 holes on TOUR, marking the most of any player in the Third & Final Round of the WGC-Workday Championship at The Concession.

### Last 5 Tournament Results PGA TOUR

	<b>Evt Finish</b>
2021 WGC-Workday Championship at The Concession	T2
2021 The Genesis Invitational	T5
2021 Farmers Insurance Open	T2
2021 Sentry Tournament of Champions	T31
2020 Mayakoba Golf Classic	WON

### PGA TOUR This Season

		<b>Finishes</b>
	Viktor Hovland	3
Ī	Adam Long	2
Ī	20 players	1

Most Top 5s When Opening with 70 or Higher

Viktor Hovland made **25** or more birdies or better for the fourth time in a TOUR event of his career last week at the WGC-Workday Championship at The Concession. 14 of those 25 birdies or better came on the weekend after Hovland made a quadruple bogey to finish his second round (made 8 on the par-4 9<sup>th</sup>).

# Most Birdies or Better in an Event PGA TOUR Career

	Total	Evt Finish
2020 Mayakoba Golf Classic	26	WON
2021 WGC-Workday Championship at The Concession	25	T2
2020 Workday Charity Open	25	3 <sup>rd</sup>
2019 Wyndham Championship	25	4 <sup>th</sup>

# Most Birdies or Better on Weekend 2021 WGC-Workday Championship

	Total
Viktor Hovland	14
Rory McIlroy	13
Scottie Scheffler	13
Min Woo Lee	13

<sup>\*3</sup> Career Top 5s in Previous 34 Starts



#### **Patrick Reed**

Patrick Reed has two top-15 finishes in his last three Arnold Palmer Invitational starts (2018/T7 & 2020/T15).

### **Fast Facts on Patrick Reed:**

Patrick Reed's Round 1 Scoring Average this season (67.29) is on pace to be his lowest opening

round scoring average in a season of his PGA TOUR career.

-142 Patrick Reed has dropped 142 positions in Scrambling ranks from the 2015-16 PGA TOUR

season where he ranked Eighth compared to 150th on TOUR this season.

2<sup>nd</sup> Patrick Reed ranks second on TOUR in Strokes Gained: putting (+1.22), One-Putt Percentage

(46.58%) and Putting from Inside 10 feet (90.94%).

1st Reed leads the PGA TOUR this season in Birdie or Better Conversion percentage, making birdie

or better 43% of the time when hitting the green in regulation.

### Scrambling Ranks Last 6 PGA TOUR Seasons

This Season	150 <sup>th</sup>
Last Season	21 <sup>st</sup>
2018-19	T28
2017-18	18 <sup>th</sup>
2016-17	41 <sup>st</sup>
2015-16	8 <sup>th</sup>

### On the Greens PGA TOUR This Season

		Rank
Strokes Gained: Putting	+1.22	2 <sup>nd</sup>
One-Putt Percentage	46.58	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Putts Per Round	27.50	T1
Putting - Inside 10'	90.94	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Birdie or Better Conv. PCT	43.00	1 <sup>st</sup>

### Lowest Round 1 Scoring Average PGA TOUR Career

	Average
This Season	67.29
2014-15	69.69
Last Season	69.70
2018-19	69.70
2015-16	69.70

### **Max Homa**

Two-time PGA TOUR winner Max Homa and 2021 Genesis Invitational winner, Max Homa is seeking his third TOUR win in his 112<sup>th</sup> start. Fred Couples (1992) and Hale Irwin (1976) are the only two players who have won The Genesis Invitational and the Arnold Palmer Invitational in the same season (Homa, 2021 Genesis Invitational champion).

#### **Fast Facts on Max Homa:**

**3<sup>rd</sup>** Ranks Third on TOUR in Bounce Back percentage. Homa makes birdie or better 34.78% of the time on the next hole after a bogey or worse.

**T24** Finished T24 at his Arnold Palmer Invitational debut last season and finished T22 in his WGC-Workday Championship at The Concession in his first start at that event last week.

11<sup>th</sup> Currently ranks 11<sup>th</sup> in the FedExCup standings on the strength of two top 10s (including Genesis win) and six top-25 finishes this season

### **Best Bounce Back PCT PGA TOUR This Season**

	PCT
Nick Taylor	38.04
Patrick Reed	35.21
Max Homa	34.78
Bryson DeChambeau	33.33
Joaquin Niemann	33.33

### \*TOUR Avg: 30.99%

# Best Tournament Debut Finishes PGA TOUR Career

	<b>Evt Finish</b>
2015 Sony Open in Hawaii	T6
2013 Safeway Open	T9
2021 WGC-Workday Championship	T22
2020 Arnold Palmer Invitational	T24
2020 Sentry Tournament of Champions	T25

Top-25 Finishes PGA TOUR This Season

First 9 Starts	Last 3 Starts
3	3



### **Billy Horschel**

2014 FedExCup champion is one of six FedExCup champions in the field this week. Billy Horschel is set to make his ninth start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational with two top-25 finishes in eight previous starts (2016/T20 & 2017/T13).

### **Fast Facts on Billy Horschel:**

T2 Finished T2 last week at the WGC-Workday Championship at the Concession, marking Billy

Horschel's best PGA TOUR finishes in 34 starts in Florida.

100% Billy Horschel was the only player who made every putt from inside seven feet last week at The

Concession GC (58 of 58). It was the first time in a non-major since the 2019 NORTHERN

TRUST where Horschel made every putt from inside seven feet.

### FedExCup Champions in Field This Week

	Year
Rory McIlroy	2016 & 2019
Justin Rose	2018
Jordan Spieth	2015
Billy Horschel	2014
Henrik Stenson	2013
Brandt Snedeker	2012

### Best Finishes in Florida PGA TOUR Career

	<b>Evt Finish</b>
2021 WGC-Workday Championship at The Concession	T2
2017 The Honda Classic	T4
2016 The Honda Classic	T8
2017 Arnold Palmer Invitational	T13
2015 THE PLAYERS	T13

<sup>\*34</sup> Starts in Florida

Last 5 Events Making Every Putt from Inside 7'
PGA TOUR Career (Non-Maiors)

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	<b>Putts Made</b>	<b>Evt Finish</b>
2021 WGC-Workday Championship at The Concession	58	T2
2019 THE NORTHERN TRUST	55	T21
2018 RBC Heritage	58	T5
2018 WM Phoenix Open	60	T43
2017 Vivint Houston Open	59	T55



#### **Tyrrell Hatton**

Defending Arnold Palmer Invitational champion Tyrrell Hatton is set to make his fifth start at this event and eighth TOUR start this season. Hatton currently ranks 66<sup>th</sup> in the FedExCup standings with two top 10s and four top-25 finishes in seven starts in the 2020-21 season.

#### **Fast Facts on Tyrrell Hatton:**

- -3 Played holes 17 and 18 at Bay Hill Club & Lodge over 3.5 strokes better than the field at this event in 2020. Only Tiger Woods (2003) had a better cumulative score to par on these two holes by a winner of the Arnold Palmer Invitational.
- 2.88 Hatton played the par 3s to a stroke average of 2.88 for the week compared to the field 3.21 average. Tyrrell Hatton made birdie or better on the par 3s 18.8% of the time, 12.8% more than the field average (6%).
- **+6.17** Outperformed the field by +6.17 strokes in Strokes Gained: Approach-the-Green on the back 9 en route to victory, marking the best of an Arnold Palmer Invitational champion since 2004.

Holes 17 & 18 vs. The Field 2020 Arnold Palmer Invitational

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	Hatton	Field
Score to Par	-3	+0.64
Greens in Regulation	75%	34.4%
Birdie Average	37.5%	15.9%
Bogeys+	0%	32.4%

Best Score to Par Holes 17 & 18 by a Winner at API

	Score to Par
2003 Tiger Woods	-4
2020 Tyrrell Hatton	-3
2001 Tiger Woods	-3

Par 3 Performance vs. The Field 2020 Arnold Palmer Invitational

	Hatton	Field
Scoring Average	2.88	3.21
Birdie or Better PCT	18.8%	6%
Score to Par	-2	+3

Front 9 vs. Back 9 2020 Arnold Palmer Invitational

	Front	Back
Strokes Gained: Approach-the-Green	+1.12	+6.17*
Greens in Regulation	18/36	24/36
Proximity to Hole	43' 4"	36' 6"
Strokes Gained: Putting	+1.12	+2.21
Score to Par	Even	-4

\*Best by Arnold Palmer Invitational Champion Since 2004

Tyrrell Hatton was four strokes better on the back nine than the front nine at the 2020 Arnold Palmer Invitational. Hatton hit six more GIR's on the back nine and was over five strokes better in SG: Approach-the-Green compared to the front nine for the week.

### Francesco Molinari

2019 Arnold Palmer Invitational champion Francesco Molinari is set to make his eighth start at Bay Hill Club & Lodge. Molinari has three top-10s in his last four PGA TOUR starts.

### **Fast Facts on Francesco Molinari:**

**-24** Francesco Molinari has the third best cumulative score to par in the first two rounds of the Arnold Palmer Invitational since 2013

### Most Under Par in First 2 Rds Arnold Palmer Invitational Since 2013

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	Score to Par	
Keegan Bradley	-28	
Henrik Stenson	-27	
Francesco Molinari	-24	
Rory McIlroy	-21	
Billy Horschel	-18	
Ian Poulter	-18	

### Tournament Results Last 4 PGA TOUR Starts

	Evt Finish	FEC Rank
The Genesis Invitational	T8	76 <sup>th</sup>
AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am	59 <sup>th</sup>	94 <sup>th</sup>
Farmers Insurance Open	T10	84 <sup>th</sup>
The American Express	Т8	110 <sup>th</sup>

\*Currently ranks 81st in FedExCup



### **Rory McIlroy**

18-time PGA TOUR winner, 2018 Arnold Palmer Invitational champion and two-time FedExCup champion Rory McIlroy is set to make his seventh start at this event.

### **Fast Facts on Rory McIlroy:**

Since 2015, Rory McIlroy has the best score to par (-52), the most birdies or better (112), the most Strokes Gained: Tee-to-Green (+46.8), the most drives over 300 yards (162) and the best

Scoring Average (69.8) of any player at the Arnold Palmer Invitational in this time frame.

Rory McIlroy has hit 162 total drives over 300 yards at Bay Hill Club & Lodge since his first start

in 2015, 28 more than the next player (Jason Kokrak/134)

**+46.8** Since 2015, Rory McIlroy is over seven strokes better from tee to green at the Arnold Palmer Invitational than any other player. In this time frame, Rory McIlroy has gained 46.8 total strokes from tee to green at Bay Hill Club & Lodge. McIlroy has gained strokes on the field from tee to

green in 83% of his rounds at this course (20 of 24).

### Most Drives Over 300 Yards Bay Hill Club & Lodge Since 2015

	Total
Rory McIlroy	162
Jason Kokrak	134
Charles Howell III	127
Byeong Hun An	113
Bubba Watson	106
Hideki Matsuyama	102
Rickie Fowler	102

### Most Strokes Gained: Tee-to-Green Arnold Palmer Invitational Since 2015

	Total
Rory McIlroy	+46.8
Hideki Matsuyama	+39.1
Jason Kokrak	+33.8
Francesco Molinari	+31.1
Byeong Hun An	+30.5

# Performance Ranks Arnold Palmer Invitational Since 2015

	McIlroy	Next Best
Scoring Average (min 8 rds)	69.8	<b>69.9</b> (F. Molinari)
Total Birdies or Better	112	88 (Z. Johnson)
Score to Par	-52	<b>-42</b> (F. Molinari)
Total SG: Tee-to-Green	+46.8	+39.1 (H. Matsuyama)
Total Drives 300+ Yards	162	134 (J. Kokrak)

<sup>\*</sup>Entering This Week

# Most Rounds with 6 or More Birdies PGA TOUR Events Since 2015

Since 2015, Rory leads all players with six rounds at Bay Hill Club & Lodge making six or more birdies. The Arnold Palmer Invitational is one of three PGA TOUR events where Rory has six or more rounds, making 6+ birdies (since 2015).

	# of Rds
WGC-Workday Championship at The Concession	9
Arnold Palmer Invitational*	6
TOUR Championship	6

<sup>\*</sup>First Start at Arnold Palmer Invitational (2015)



### Jordan Spieth

Jordan Spieth is set to make his tournament debut at the Arnold Palmer Invitational and his 201st career TOUR start.

### Fast Facts on Jordan Spieth:

Jordan Spieth has six top-two finishes when making his tournament debut on the PGA TOUR.

Only three players have won the Arnold Palmer Invitational in their first start at the event (Robert

Gamez/1990, Bob Byman/1979 & Lionel Hebert/1966)

Jordan Spieth ranked 179<sup>th</sup> in the FedExCup following his missed cut at the Farmers Insurance Open and has made the biggest move in the FedExCup standings of any player over the last four weeks on TOUR. On the strength of three top-15 finishes in this time frame, Spieth has moved from 179<sup>th</sup> to 59<sup>th</sup> in the standings.

### Best Tournament Debuts Result PGA TOUR Career

	<b>Evt Finish</b>
2017 Travelers Championship	WON
2014 Sentry Tournament of Champions	2 <sup>nd</sup>
2013 Wyndham Championship	2 <sup>nd</sup>
2014 Masters	T2
2013 TOUR Championship	T2
2013 Puerto Rico Open	T2

#### \*Making 1st Start at Arnold Palmer Invitational

### Players to Win in First Start Arnold Palmer Invitational History

	Year
Robert Gamez	1990
Bob Byman	1979
Lionel Hebert	1966*

<sup>\*</sup>First Year of Tournament

### Biggest Movers in FedExCup Standings Last 4 Weeks on PGA TOUR

	Thru Week #16	Current	Mvmt
Jordan Spieth	179 <sup>th</sup>	59 <sup>th</sup>	+120
Branden Grace	148 <sup>th</sup>	42 <sup>nd</sup>	+106
Max Homa	101 <sup>st</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	+90
Grayson Murray	214 <sup>th</sup>	143 <sup>rd</sup>	+71



### **Bryson DeChambeau**

Bryson DeChambeau is set to make his fifth start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational with two top-four finishes in his four previous starts at this event.

### Fast Facts on Bryson DeChambeau:

**+12.83** Bryson DeChambeau has gained over 12 strokes on the green at the Arnold Palmer Invitational, marking his second-best total Strokes Gained: Putting performance in a non-major event on TOUR.

Bryson made two eagles in the Final Round last week at The Concession GC, marking the second time this season DeChambeau has made two eagles in a round on TOUR. DeChambeau is the only player with multiple rounds making two or more eagles this season.

In his PGA TOUR career, Bryson DeChambeau has made 42 total eagles, with nine so far this season. The only season of his career with more eagles was the 2017-18 season where Bryson DeChambeau made 13.

# Most Strokes Gained: Putting in an Event PGA TOUR Career (Non-Majors)

	Total
Travelers Championship	+12.89
Arnold Palmer Invitational	+12.83
Dell Technologies Championship	+9.57
WGC-FedEx St. Jude Invitational	+8.44

# Total Eagles PGA TOUR Career

	Total
This Season	9
Last Season	7
2018-19	7
2017-18	13
2016-17	5
2015-16	1

\*42 Eagles

### Most Weeks Inside Top 15 of FedExCup PGA TOUR This Season

	Weeks	<b>Current Rank</b>
Bryson DeChambeau	19	12 <sup>th</sup>
Stewart Cink	19	19 <sup>th</sup>
Xander Schauffele	16	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Justin Thomas	15	8 <sup>th</sup>
Patrick Cantlay	14	1 <sup>st</sup>

### **Justin Rose**

10-time PGA TOUR winner Justin Rose is set to make his 16<sup>th</sup> start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational and has yet to win this event in 15 previous starts. The 2018 FedExCup champion is one of six players in the field this week who have won the FedExCup title.

#### **Fast Facts on Justin Rose:**

One of three non-major events on the PGA TOUR where Rose has made more than 14 career starts without a victory. His best finish is a runner-up finish in two of these three events (Arnold Palmer Invitational and THE NORTHERN TRUST).

Justin Rose has the most wins by a player from England since 1945 (10)

# Most Starts in an Event PGA TOUR Career

	# of Starts
THE PLAYERS	16
Arnold Palmer Invitational	15
THE NORTHERN TRUST	15
WGC-FedEx St. Jude Invitational	14
Dell Technologies Championship	14

### FedExCup Champions in Field This Week

	Year	
Rory McIlroy	2016 & 2019	
Justin Rose	2018	
Jordan Spieth	2015	
Billy Horschel	2014	
Henrik Stenson	2013	
Brandt Snedeker	2012	