



# 2021 World Golf Championships-Dell Technologies Match Play

(The 25<sup>th</sup> of 50 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Austin, Texas Austin Country Club March 24-28, 2021 Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,108 Purse: \$10,500,000 (\$1,820,000/winner) FedExCup points: 550 (winner)

#### Quarterfinals Notes – Saturday, March 27, 2021

**Weather:** Warm and humid with a high of 85. Wind S 8-16 mph.

#### Things to Know

- Semifinalists by seeds: Scottie Scheffler (30), Victor Perez (31), Billy Horschel (32), Matt Kuchar (52)
- With a 4-and-3 victory over Sergio Garcia, Victor Perez seeks to become the first player since Geoff Ogilvy (2006) to win the WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play in his tournament debut
- With wins by Scottie Scheffler and Victor Perez, five players have advanced to the Semifinals in their tournament debut since Austin Country Club began hosting the event in 2016 (Lucas Bjerregaard/2019/4<sup>th</sup>, Jon Rahm/2017/2<sup>nd</sup>, Hideto Tanihara/2017/4<sup>th</sup>); both players seek to become the first player since Geoff Ogilvy (2006) to win the WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play in their tournament debut
- With Jon Rahm's loss, the Semifinals will not include one of the top-16 seeds for the first time since the event introduced the group play format in 2015
- Billy Horschel outlasts Tommy Fleetwood in a playoff, with Horschel making a par-5 on the first extra hole (No. 12) to advance
- Of the 17 countries represented in the field, only two remain:
  - United States Billy Horschel, Scottie Scheffler, Matt Kuchar
    - France Victor Perez

## **Quarterfinals Results**

Billy Horschel (32) def. Tommy Fleetwood (21), 19 holes Victor Perez (31) def. Sergio Garcia (39), 4 and 3 Scottie Scheffler (30) def. Jon Rahm (3), 3 and 1 Matt Kuchar (52) def. Brian Harman (54), 2 and 1

## **Semifinals Matches**

9:05 a.m. – Victor Perez (31) vs. Billy Horschel (32) 9:20 a.m. – Scottie Scheffler (30) vs. Matt Kuchar (52)

## **Single-Elimination Format**

• Sunday morning: Semifinals; Sunday afternoon: Championship Match and Consolation Match

#### Match 105 – Billy Horschel def. Tommy Fleetwood, 19 holes

Player	Seed	Record	Career DTMP record
Billy Horschel	32	4-1-0	9-6-1
Tommy Fleetwood	21	3-1-1	10-7-2

Horschel round-by-round

RD 1: def. Max Homa, 1-up

RD 2: lost to J.T. Poston, 4 and 2

RD 3: def. Collin Morikawa, 3 and 2

RD 4: def. Kevin Streelman, 3 and 1

QF – def. Tommy Fleetwood, 19 holes

Fleetwood round-by-round RD 1: tied Si Woo Kim RD 2: def. Antoine Rozner, 4 and 3

- Billy Horschel outlasted Tommy Fleetwood in a playoff, with Horschel making a par-5 on the first extra hole (No. 12) to advance
- Horschel advances to the Semifinals for the first time in four tournament appearances since the group play format was introduced in 2015
- 2014 FedExCup champion finished T2 in the season's first World Golf Championships event at the WGC-Workday Championship at Concession; seeks his first WGC title in his 20<sup>th</sup> career start
- In his Round of 16, Fleetwood made a hole-in-one from 179 yards on the par-3 fourth hole with a 7-iron and won over Dylan Frittelli, 4 and 3. His advancement to the Quarterfinals tied his best tournament finish since the group play format was introduced in 2015.

#### Match 106 - Victor Perez def. Sergio Garcia, 4 and 3

Player	Seed	Record	Career DTMP record
Victor Perez	31	4-1-0	4-1-0
Sergio Garcia	39	3-2-0	28-22-1

Perez round-by-round

RD 1: def. Marc Leishman, 2 and 1 RD 2: lost to Russell Henley, 4 and 3 RD 3: def. Sungjae Im, 2 and 1 RD 4: def. Robert MacIntyre, 5 and 4 QF – def. Sergio Garcia, 4 and 3

Garcia round-by-round RD 1: def. Lee Westwood, 4 and 3 RD 2: def. Tyrrell Hatton, 3 and 2 RD 3: lost to Matt Wallace, 3 and 2 RD 4: def. Mackenzie Hughes, 2 and 1 QF – lost to Victor Perez, 4 and 3

- After starting the match 1-down through the first hole, Victor Perez responded with wins on his next two holes en route to a 4-and-3 win over 11-time PGA TOUR winner Sergio Garcia
- Perez seeks to become the first player since Geoff Ogilvy (2006) to win the event in his first appearance
- The European Tour winner is making his fifth World Golf Championships appearance this week (best finish T4/2019 WGC-HSBC Champions)
- He is the second player from France in tournament history to advance to the Semifinals (Victor Dubuisson/2014/2<sup>nd</sup>); No player from France has won a World Golf Championships event
- With a win on Sunday, Perez is eligible to become a PGA TOUR Member and a second or third-place finish would deem him eligible for Special Temporary Membership; he has 94 non-member FedExCup points in the 2020-21 season and needs 288
- Prior to his loss against Perez, Garcia won his Round of 16 matchup against Mackenzie Hughes, 2 and 1
- 2021 marked Garcia's second consecutive visit to the Quarterfinals without advancement to the Semifinals

Player	Seed	Record	Career DTMP record
Scottie Scheffler	30	3-0-2	3-0-2
Jon Rahm	3	3-1-1	10-5-3

## Match 107 – Scottie Scheffler def. Jon Rahm, 3 and 1

Scheffler round-by-round RD 1: def. Jason Day, 2-up RD 2: tied Andy Sullivan RD 3: tied Xander Schauffele RD 4: def. Ian Poulter, 5 and 4 QF – def. Jon Rahm, 3 and 1 Rahm round-by-round RD 1: def. Sebastian Munoz, 1-up RD 2: def. Shane Lowry 2-up RD 3: tied Ryan Palmer RD 4: def. Erik van Rooyen, 3 and 2 QF – lost to Scottie Scheffler, 3 and 1

- Scottie Scheffler did not trail in either match on Saturday and advanced to the Semifinals with a 3-and-1 win over Jon Rahm
- Scheffler is one of two players in the field (Victor Perez) to advance to the Semifinals in their tournament debut; since 2016, five players have advanced to the Semifinals in their tournament debut
- Scheffler is the first player from the University of Texas to reach the Semifinals at Austin Country Club
- Scheffler is seeking his first World Golf Championships title in his fourth appearance (best finish: 5<sup>th</sup>/2021 WGC-Workday Championship at The Concession)
- With Jon Rahm's loss the Semifinals will not include one of the top-16 seeds since the event introduced group the play format in 2015

## Match 108 – Matt Kuchar def. Brian Harman, 2 and 1

Player	Seed	Record	Career DTMP record
Matt Kuchar	52	5-0-0	33-10-4
Brian Harman	54	3-2-0	5-3-1

Kuchar round-by-round

RD 1: def. Justin Thomas, 3 and 2 RD 2: def. Louis Oosthuizen, 1-up RD 3: def. Kevin Kisner, 2 and 1 RD 4: def. Jordan Spieth, 1-up QF – def. Brian Harman, 2 and 1

Harman round-by-round RD 1: lost to Patrick Cantlay, 1-up RD 2: def. Hideki Matsuyama, 1-up RD 3: def. Carlos Ortiz, 3 and 2 RD 4: def. Bubba Watson, 2 and 1 QF – lost to Matt Kuchar, 2 and 1

- 2019 WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play runner up Matt Kuchar birdies the 17<sup>th</sup> hole to defeat Brian Harman, 2 and 1
- With his win in the Quarterfinals against Harman, Kuchar moves to second all-time in matches won at the WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play with 33; Tiger Woods holds the most with 36
- Kuchar seeks to become the fourth player with two or more wins in WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play history (Tiger Woods/3; Jason Day/2; Geoff Ogilvy/2)
- Kuchar, 42, is seeking to become the oldest champion in tournament history
- Prior to falling to Kuchar in the Quarterfinals, Harman defeated 2018 champion Bubba Watson in the Round of 16, 2 and 1.