



## Allianz Championship

The Old Course at Broken Sound | Boca Raton, Florida | February 6-12, 2017

### Final-Round Notes

**Course Setup:** Par 72 / 6,774 yards (R3 scoring average: 69.192; Cumulative: 69.790)

**Weather:** Partly cloudy skies with a high of 80. Winds light in the morning, and from the ESE at 6-12 mph in the afternoon.

**Summary:** After hitting a 7-iron from the 179 yards on the par-5 18th, **Scott McCarron** made his six-foot eagle putt to win the Allianz Championship, his third career PGA TOUR Champions victory. At one time, seven players were tied for the lead during Sunday's final round, but in the end McCarron's 17-under total was one stroke better than **Carlos Franco** and **Kenny Perry**.

	Player	To Par	Scores	Earnings
1.	Scott McCarron	-17	66-66-67 – 199	\$262,500
T2.	Carlos Franco	-16	68-67-65 – 200	\$140,000
T2.	Kenny Perry	-16	65-69-66 – 200	\$140,000
T4.	Paul Broadhurst	-15	69-68-64 – 201	\$94,500
T4.	Doug Garwood	-15	68-64-69 – 201	\$94,500
T6.	Fred Couples	-14	68-65-69 – 202	\$52,000
T6.	Colin Montgomerie	-14	68-68-66 – 202	\$52,000

#### Quick Links:

- [Leaderboard](#)
- [PGATOURmedia.com](#) (transcripts and other resources available for download)

#### Scott McCarron, 66-66-67 – 199 (-17)

- The win is McCarron's second in his last four tournaments. He won the Dominion Charity Classic last November, which helped him finish fourth in the final Charles Schwab Cup standings. His first victory came at last year's Principal Charity Classic in June.
- This was the fourth time McCarron entered the final round with at least a share of the lead, and it's the second time he won (Dominion Charity Classic). The two other times, he finished T3 at the 2015 San Antonio Championship and he lost in a playoff at last year's Pacific Links Bear Mountain Championship.
- McCarron's final round included eagles on Nos. 7 and 18, bringing his total this week to three. In 2016, he ranked second on Tour in total eagles (15) and eagle frequency (one eagle per 81.5 holes).
- The last player to make an eagle to win was Joe Durant, who eagled the first playoff hole to win the 3M Championship last year.
- With the win, McCarron picks up \$262,500 and moves to second on the Charles Schwab Cup money list.

**Carlos Franco, 68-67-65 – 200 (-16)**

- Franco made eight final-round birdies en route to a 65. The runner-up finish is his best showing since he won the Shaw Charity Classic in Calgary last September.
- Combined with his 19th-place finish at the Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai, Franco is now fourth on the Charles Schwab Cup money list (\$166,000).
- He was the PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year in 1999 and is one of two players to have won Rookie of the Year honors and claim a PGA TOUR Champions title, joining Woody Austin.
- A native of Paraguay, he represented the country in numerous international events, including the World Cup and the Alfred Dunhill Cups, and he was a two-time member of the International Team in the Presidents Cup.

**Kenny Perry, 65-69-66 – 200 (-16)**

- Perry finished the tournament hitting the last 25 greens in regulation, including all 18 Sunday. In 2016, he ranked second on Tour, hitting 75.96 percent of greens in regulation.
- He is now fifth on the Charles Schwab Cup money list (\$150,500).
- In 2016, Perry played 19 tournaments and carded three top-10s, including a T3 finish at the Chubb Classic. He advanced to the second Playoff event and finished 40th in the final Charles Schwab Cup standings.
- He is an eight-time winner on PGA TOUR Champions, and he won the Charles Schwab Cup in 2013. He is the last player to win the Charles Schwab Cup before Bernhard Langer's current three-year winning streak.

**Tournament Notes**

- The field made 1,096 birdies this week, the third-highest total all-time for a 54-hole tournament. In fact, three of the top 10 totals have come at the Allianz Championship.
  1. 1,147 – 2011 Greater Hickory Classic at Rock Barn
  2. 1,104 – 2014 3M Championship
  3. 1,096 – 2017 Allianz Championship
  8. 1,012 – 2010 Allianz Championship
  9. 1,009 – 2014 Allianz Championship
- **Doug Garwood** (T4), **Paul Broadhurst** (T4) and **Billy Andrade** (T16) led the field with 21 birdies this week.
- Last year, the 507-yard, par-5 18th was the easiest closing hole on Tour, yielding a 4.477 scoring average. Overall, it was the sixth-easiest hole on Tour in 2016. This year, the 18th was the easiest hole and played to a 4.291 average, giving up 12 eagles and 153 birdies on the week.
- Conversely, the 429-yard, par-4 ninth is traditionally the toughest hole on the course, and in 2016 it played to a 4.329 average, 25th hardest on Tour. This year, it was the hardest hole and played to a 4.266 average, giving up 20 birdies and 70 bogeys or worse.
- Before the final group teed off at 12:30 p.m., seven players shared the lead at 12-under, as **Paul Broadhurst** (-5 through 5), **Kenny Perry** (-2 through 2) and **Fred Couples** (-1 through 1) joined the four 36-hole leaders.
- With a birdie on No. 12, **Tom Pernice Jr.** took a one-stroke lead and was the first player to reach 17-under. He fell off the pace in a matter of 40 minutes, as he was 4-over on Nos. 14-16. He three-putted for bogey on No. 14 and failed to save par from the greenside bunker on No. 16. He double bogeyed No. 15, as he had to take an unplayable lie after hitting his drive left of the fairway bunker. He ended up shooting 70 Sunday and finished T13 at 13-under.

### Other Player Notes

- **Bernhard Langer** closed with a 5-under 67 and finished T37, ending a streak of 33 consecutive tournaments in the top 20. It is his worst finish since a T38 showing at the 2007 AT&T Championship. The worst finish in his PGA TOUR Champions career was a tie for 49th at the 2011 SAS Championship.
- Despite finishing tied for 37th, Langer still leads the Charles Schwab Cup money list. He has led the standings ever since he won the Regions Tradition on May 22, 2016, a span of 18 tournaments.
- By shooting 65 Sunday, Langer extended his streak to 26 consecutive rounds under par. The streak began with the first round of last year's Boeing Classic, and in that span his scoring average is 67.19.
- **Colin Montgomerie** carded a 6-under-par 66, extending his streak to 27 consecutive rounds under par. The streak began with the final round at the Boeing Classic, and his scoring average in that span is 67.78. This was his fourth start at the Allianz Championship, and he finished tied for sixth for the second year in a row.
- At age 71, **Hale Irwin** shot 71 Sunday and matched his age for the 12th time in his career. In five rounds this season, Irwin has bettered his age three times and matched it twice.
- **Willie Wood** carded a 7-under 65, his lowest score in relation to par in his PGA TOUR Champions career. His lowest score was a 6-under-par 64 in the final round of the 2016 Shaw Charity Classic.
- With Pernice's three-putt on No. 14, his streak of consecutive holes without a three-putt ended at 321. On the week, he averaged 29.33 putts per round. In 2016, he led the Tour in putts per round (28.17).
- Making his second start on PGA TOUR Champions, **David Toms** finished T23 at 10-under-par.
- **Paul McGinley** and **Jose Maria Olazabal** both finished T41 in their PGA TOUR Champions debuts.
- Seven of the tournament's 10 past champions were in the field, and defending champion **Esteban Toledo** fared the best of this group. He finished T6 at 14-under-par.