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Reed takes 1-shot lead at FedEx Cup opener

By **DOUG FERGUSON**
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» **JERSEY CITY, N.J.**

Patrick Reed is finally being rewarded with good scores, and he hopes it can be enough to turn around his season.

He is winless in the last 16 months dating to the 2018 Masters.

He hasn't missed the Tour Championship in five years, and started the FedEx Cup playoffs at No. 50, leaving him little room for a bad week. He is in danger of being left off a U.S. team for the first time since his rookie season in 2013.

Reed put himself in position to change his outlook Saturday with a 4-under 67, giving him a one-shot lead over Abraham Ancer of Mexico going into the final round of The Northern Trust.

"It's close and it feels good," Reed said. "Feels like this has been coming for some time, and now it's just go out and stick to the game plan tomorrow and hopefully Sunday we have a chance to win the golf tournament."

Dustin Johnson and Jordan Spieth, playing in the final group, lost ground on a blustery day at Liberty National.

Johnson, twice a winner of this FedEx Cup playoffs opener, didn't make a birdie until the 10th hole, and then saw his round fall apart with four bogeys over the last six holes for a 74 that dropped him five shots behind.

Spieth began his round by hitting his tee shot into the water, lost ground and momentum with a sloppy dou-



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Webb Simpson celebrates a birdie after he hits out of the bunker on the 14 hole during the Northern Trust at Liberty National Golf Course on Saturday in Jersey City, New Jersey.

ble bogey — his first of the week — from the fairway on No. 7 and recorded only two birdies in his round of 74. It was his second straight Saturday swoon, and this one could be costly. He is No. 69 in the FedEx Cup, and a strong finish this week could help salvage his season with a trip to East Lake for the FedEx Cup finale.

He still has one round left and a big crowd in front of him.

Reed was at 14-under 199 and will be paired in the final group with Ancer, who had a 68 as he tries to deliver good golf at the right time.

Ancer, who won the Australian Open late last year, is No. 67 in the FedEx Cup. The top 70 advance to the

BMW Championship next week at Medinah, but a good finish could sew up a spot in the Tour Championship and make him eligible for all the majors next year.

There's more. He is No. 10 in the Presidents Cup standings, and Sunday could go a long way in returning to Australia as part of the International team.

"The only thing I have to worry about is still play some good golf tomorrow and that will take care of itself," Ancer said. "I'm trying not to think about that that much. I know it's there and I obviously think about it, but I'm just focusing on trying to do everything I can to just play a good, solid round tomorrow."

A dozen players were separated by five shots going into the final round.

Brandt Snedeker had a pair of eagles in his round of 63 that left him two shots behind, along with Jon Rahm of Spain, who had a 69. Justin Rose was among those another shot behind, with Rory McIlroy finishing with two birdies over his last three holes for a 70 to get within four shots of the lead.

Reed is No. 50 in the FedEx Cup and trying to extend his streak of making the Tour Championship every year since 2014. He won this event three years ago at Bethpage Black, and then hit a drought before winning the Masters in 2018.

There was nothing fancy about his golf, which is how he likes it. He poured in an 18-foot birdie putt on No. 3, used his short game to secure birdies on the par 5s and finished with a wedge to 10 feet for his fifth birdie on No. 17.

His biggest trouble was on the 15th hole, where he went from a fairway bunker into the trees right of the fairway, hit to the back of the green some 65 feet away from the front pin and had to hole a 5-foot putt to escape with bogey.

He said changing to a softer golf ball might have helped. He did that last Sunday and closed with a 63 at the Wyndham Championship, and then followed with rounds of 66-66-67.

"It's going the right direction," he said. "I feel like I'm doing a lot of things well. I just need to go out and give myself opportunities."

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ERIK VERDUZCO/Las Vegas Review-Journal

Team White guard Derrick White dribbles the ball past Team Blue guard De'Aaron Fox during the first half of the team's scrimmage in Las Vegas on Friday.

Playing for Popovich huge perk for players

By **TIM REYNOLDS**
Associated Press

» **LAS VEGAS**

Make no mistake, the 17 players left in consideration for the 12 spots on the team that USA Basketball will take to the FIBA World Cup in China desperately want to play for the red, white and blue.

They also want to play for Pop.

Most of the players who went through Week 1 of training camp in Las Vegas had never previously played for new USA coach Gregg Popovich. Getting a chance to spend time with one of the best in the NBA was a significant factor in deciding if they wanted to make the time commitment to play for this team.

"Pop's doing a great job of letting us know he wants us to be ourselves," Boston guard Kemba Walker said. "It's been everything I expected. He's such a great coach, a great guy. He's the best."

The first phase of getting ready for China was completed Friday night, when USA Basketball held its intrasquad scrimmage in Las Vegas to wrap up Week 1. The national team candidates had no trouble beating the select group of young NBA players brought in to challenge them over the course of the week, winning 97-78 in a game where the lead stretched to 30 at one point.

Scrimmages in practice over the course of the week were much closer. Popovich's messages are already starting to sink into the national team.

"As a team, we're getting better," Walker said. "We don't have any selfish guys. Guys are going to make the right plays. We're getting better each and every day."

In practices, Popovich has let his assistants Golden State's Steve Kerr, Atlanta's Lloyd Pierce and Villanova's Jay Wright handle much of the coaching in scrimmages and drills.

NOTICE OF 2019 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR CITY OF GALVESTON

A tax rate of \$0.582433 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of City of Galveston. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

The governing body of City of Galveston proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of providing essential services to the citizens including public safety pay and benefits.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.582433 per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$0.561000 per \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$0.538771 per \$100
ROLLBACK TAX RATE	\$0.582433 per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for City of Galveston from the same properties in both the 2018 tax year and the 2019 tax year.

The rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate that City of Galveston may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{property tax amount} = (\text{rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

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You are urged to attend and express your views at the following public hearings on the proposed tax rate:

First Hearing: August 22, 2019 at 1:30 PM
at 2nd Floor Council Chamber,
823 Rosenberg Street, Galveston, TX 77550.

Second Hearing: September 12, 2019 at 1:30 PM
at 2nd Floor Council Chamber,
823 Rosenberg Street, Galveston, TX 77550.

2019 Property Tax Rates in Galveston County Navigation District #1

This notice concerns the 2019 property tax rates for Galveston County Navigation District # 1. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual tax rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers start rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$1,728,670
Last year's debt taxes	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$1,728,670
Last year's tax base	\$4,027,468,431
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.042922/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$1,714,476
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$4,171,386,151
= This year's effective tax rate	\$0.041100/\$100

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent healthcare expenditures)	\$1,714,476
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$4,171,386,151
= This year's effective operating rate	\$0.041100/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.044388/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$0.000000/\$100
= This year's total rollback rate	\$0.044388/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Galveston County Navigation District # 1 adopts a 2019 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.041100 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2018 taxes by \$-1,356.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balance

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
	0

Schedule B - 2019 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
	0	0	0	0
Total required for 2019 debt service			\$0	
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A			\$0	
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources			\$0	
- Excess collections last year			\$0	
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2019			\$0	
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2019			\$0	
= Total debt levy			\$0	

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at GCTO, 722 Moody, Galveston, Texas 77550.

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