



2009 Zurich Classic of New Orleans
(The 18th of 37 events in the PGA TOUR Regular Season)

TPC Louisiana
Avondale, LA

April 20-26, 2009
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,399

FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)
Purse: \$6,300,000

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, April 26, 2009

Weather: Breezy and warm all day. Temperatures in the low 80s. Winds SE 15-25 mph with stronger gusts. A couple of short rain showers at the end of the day.

Jerry Kelly shot 1-under 71 in the final round to win the Zurich Classic of New Orleans with 14-under 274. Kelly won by a stroke over Rory Sabbatini (67), Charlie Wi (68) and Charles Howell III (68).

Jerry Kelly has now held/shared the 54-hole lead seven times in his career and gone on to win twice.

1999	Greater Milwaukee Open	led by 1	shot 71	finished 3 rd , 4 shots back (C. Franco)
2001	THE PLAYERS Championship	led by 2	shot 73	finished 4 th , 4 shots back (T. Woods)
2001	Reno-Tahoe Open	led by 1	shot 71	finished 2 nd , 1 shot back (J. Cook)
2002	Sony Open in Hawaii	led by 2	shot 70	WON by 1
2002	Buick Invitational	3-way tie	shot 73	finished T8, 4 shots back (J. Olazabal)
2007	Verizon Heritage	led by 1	shot 77	finished T8, 7 shots back (B. Weekley)
2009	Zurich Classic of New Orleans	led by 3	shot 71	WON by 1

Jerry Kelly ranked 12th in scoring average (70.01) before the week began and No. 43 in the Presidents Cup standings. Kelly jumped to No. 15 on the Presidents Cup list and will push hard to make Captain Fred Couples' team in San Francisco October 5-11, later this year. Kelly went 2-2-0 at the 2003 Presidents Cup, defeating South African Tim Clark, 1-up, in South Africa. It was Kelly's first Presidents Cup.

Jerry Kelly ranked No.97 on both the FedExCup standings and the PGA TOUR money list entering the week. After his victory at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans, Kelly is No. 17 on the FedExCup list and No. 14 on the money list.

Jerry Kelly now has 70 career top-10s from 418 starts on the PGA TOUR.

Jerry Kelly made just four bogeys for the week with two of them coming in the final round at holes 8 and 10.

Third-round leaders/co-leaders have enjoyed great success on the PGA TOUR this year – 14 of 17 have gone on to win the tournament.

Statistics for the winner this week:

Category	Number	Percentage	Rank
Driving Distance	274.3 yards		66
Driving Accuracy	35/56	62.5%	T30
Greens in Regulation	57/72	79.2%	1
Putting Average	114		T36
Sand Saves	4/4	100%	T1

Charles Howell III took the outright lead at 14-under when he birdied the par-3 ninth-hole. Howell was 15-under through 14 holes before two bogeys over the final four dropped him out of the lead.

Charles Howell III has made 12 starts on the PGA TOUR this season with just one missed cut (FBR Open). Howell finished T2 at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans for his third top-5 finish this year. A T2 at the Transitions Championship and fourth at the Sony Open in Hawaii are his other top-5s this season.

Charles Howell III scored three of four rounds in the 60s this week, making it 19 rounds in the 60s for the season.

Rory Sabbatini (67-275) recorded a season-best T2 finish. It follows a T8 finish at last week's Verizon Heritage where he shot 66 in the final round. His previous best finish this season is a T6 at the Northern Trust Open.

Charlie Wi, the first-round leader, finished T2 to tie his career-best finish on the PGA TOUR (T2-2007 U.S Bank Championship in Milwaukee, 2008 Valero Texas Open). Wi recorded just four bogeys for the week (same as Jerry Kelly), three in round-two on holes 10, 14 and 15, along with one at the 17th hole in round-three.

Louisiana native David Toms (68-276) made his 16th career start in the Zurich Classic of New Orleans. He won the tournament in 2001 when it was contested at English Turn G&CC. The victory was the fifth of his 12 career titles. Toms has now made three starts at TPC Louisiana:

2005	m/c	76-75—151	
2007	T44	69-71-74-72—286	-2
2009	T5	68-68-72-68—276	-12

David Toms (68-276) earned a spot in THE PLAYERS Championship (May 4-10) by virtue of being the highest-ranked player on the FedExCup standings outside of the top-10 who are not already exempt. Toms started the week No. 27 on the list and moved to No. 21 with his T5 finish this week. The next highest ranked players on the FedExCup standings who are not in THE PLAYERS Championship are Scott Piercy (40) and Jeff Klauk (42). Piercy is ahead of Klauk by just seven points.

Steve Marino holed a 35-yard pitch shot for eagle at the 335-yard 16th hole to move to 13-under for the first time. Marino played the 16th hole 4-under for the week. A bogey at the final hole dropped Marino into a tie for fifth with David Toms but it was still his best finish of the season. Marino finished T7 at the Sony Open in Hawaii, his first event of the year.

Charley Hoffman (69-281) made his 10th consecutive cut of the 2009 season at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans and extended his number of consecutive cuts made to 19. He now lies second in that category behind Tiger Woods who has 33 consecutive made cuts. Sergio Garcia is third with 18. The last cut Hoffman missed was at the 2008 John Deere Classic where he shot 71-70—141 and missed by two strokes. Hoffman has made 71 cuts from 109 starts (64%) in his career.

Aaron Watkins (70-277), earned his career-best PGA TOUR result with a T7 at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans. In his fifth event of the season (and only the sixth start of his career) Watkins, a 26-year-old Kansas State University graduate, equaled his career low-round (68/Round 2) and earned a career-best check of \$203,175. Watkins advanced through all three stages of the 2008 Qualifying Tournament to finish T18 and earn his TOUR card. He has made 31 Nationwide Tour starts with a best finish of T8 at the 2007 Chitimacha Louisiana Open. He is the second former Kansas State golfer to qualify for the PGA TOUR, following Jim Colbert.

Watkins, along with Roland Thatcher (70-278), will gain a spot in next week's Quail Hollow Championship with their top-10 finishes this week.

Tim Petrovic (67-279), the 2005 Zurich Classic of New Orleans champion, made a move up the leaderboard with a final round 5-under 67 which included five consecutive birdies (Nos. 11-15). Petrovic finished T11 after starting the day T40.

Steve Stricker (67-277) jumped from T21 to T7, shooting his season-low final round (in relation to par) 5-under 67. Stricker also shot 67 in the final-round of the Northern Trust Open, however, that round was 4-under-par.

The bright spot for George McNeill (78-290) was a final-round eagle at the par-4, 13th hole when he hit a 331-yard drive to 31-feet and holed the putt. McNeill was 9-over-par in his final 19 holes of the tournament after recording a triple-bogey to end Saturday's third-round 69.

Here is how the course is playing this week:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
Round 1	35.949	35.994	71.942	
Round 2	35.858	36.123	71.981	
Round 3	35.750	36.000	71.750	71.922
Round 4	36.083	35.778	71.861	71.912

The Kodak Challenge hole this week featured the 215-yard, par-3, 17th hole at TPC Louisiana. There were just two birdies recorded at the hole in the final round, and a total of 33 birdies for the week. Seventeen averaged 3.240 and ranked the 2nd most difficult for the week. Will McKenzie, Steve Lowery and Chris DiMarco share the lead at 6-under.

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