



2016 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open (5th of 43 events in the 2016-17 PGA TOUR Season)

Las Vegas, Nevada November 3-6, 2016 TPC Summerlin Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,255 Purse: \$6,600,000

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, November 5, 2016

Weather. Sunny, with a high of 78. Wind light and variable.

Third-Round Leaders

68-65-65—198 (-15)
60-68-71—199 (-14)
62-67-70—199 (-14)
68-69-63—200 (-13)
67-67-66—200 (-13)

Age notes:

Since 1995, there have been 10 winners of the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open in their 20s, second most for a tournament during this time frame. The BMW Championship has yielded 11 winners under the age of 30. The Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by MasterCard shares the second spot with the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open with 10.

The last five winners of the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open were under the age of 30 at the time of their win: Smylie Kaufman (2015), Ben Martin (2014), Webb Simpson (2013), Ryan Moore (2012) and Kevin Na (2011).

Ages on the leaderboard (as of Sunday 11/6)

Lucas Glover: 36 years, 11 months, 25 days Rod Pampling: 47 years, 1 month, 14 days Brooks Koepka: 26 years, 6 months, 3 days Russell Henley: 27 years, 6 months, 25 days Geoff Ogilvy: 39 years, 4 months, 26 days

At the age of 47 years, 1 month, 14 days, Rod Pampling looks to become the oldest winner of the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, and just the second player over 40 to win the tournament (Wes Short, Jr. was 41 years, 10 months, 12 days when he won the 2005 tournament).

First-time winners in Las Vegas:

Jim Furyk (1995) and Tiger Woods (1996) both own their maiden PGA TOUR titles at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open. Since Woods won in 1996, 10 players have posted their first career PGA TOUR victory in Las Vegas: Phil Tataurangi (2002), Andre Stolz (2004), Wes Short Jr. (2005), Troy Matteson (2006), George McNeill (2007), Marc Turnesa (2008), Martin Laird (2009), Kevin Na (2011), Ben Martin (2014) and Smylie Kaufman (2015).

In the current top 20 on the leaderboard, only three players have yet to win on the PGA TOUR: Adam Hadwin (T6), Cameron Smith (T12) and Aaron Wise (T12).

Glover vs. Pampling:

Lucas Glover and Rod Pampling have been grouped together on 16 previous occasions, including the third and fourth round of the 2005 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open and in the third round of the 2006 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by MasterCard, which was won by Pampling. They were most recently grouped together in the second round of the Wyndham Championship when Glover bogeyed his final hole as he attempted to shoot a 59. Those 16 occasions yielded averages of 71.50 (Glover) and 70.69 (Pampling).

This week marks Glover's 341st start on the PGA TOUR and Pampling's 342nd.

Lucas Glover

Making his 341st career start on the PGA TOUR, major champion Lucas Glover posted his second consecutive 6-under 65 to take a one-shot lead heading into the final round. This marks Glover's third 54-hole lead. He previously held the solo lead at the 2013 Zurich Classic of New Orleans (T4) and the 2010 Tournament of Champions (T14). All three of Glover's victories were captured in come-from-behind fashion.

This marks Glover's sixth start in the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open where he has missed the cut the last three years (2015, 2014, 2013).

Glover is attempting to become the third Clemson Tiger to win this event in the last seven years, joining Jonathan Byrd (2010) and Ben Martin (2014). Another Tiger won last year, with Smylie Kaufman hailing from LSU.

The 2009 U.S. Open champion is in search of his fourth career PGA TOUR victory and first since the 2011 Wells Fargo Championship.

A week ago, Glover was one back heading into the final round of the Sanderson Farms Championship where he went on to finish T5. He missed the cut in the Safeway Open.

Third-Round Lead Notes

The 54-hole leader/co-leader has gone on to win six of the last nine Shriners Hospitals for Children Opens: Ben Martin (2014), Webb Simpson (2013), Ryan Moore (2012), Kevin Na (2011), Marc Turnesa (2008) and George McNeill (2007).

Most recently, Brett Stegmaier held a one-shot lead heading into the final round of the 2015 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open at 10-under 132. In 2015, Smylie Kaufman set a new tournament record for best come-from-behind victory (7 strokes).

So far during the 2016-17 season, Hideki Matsuyama (World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions) is the only player to hold a 54-hole lead/co-lead and go on to victory.

Rod Pampling

Rod Pampling is in search of his third career PGA TOUR victory and first since the 2006 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by MasterCard, a span of 10 years, 7 months, 19 days or 220 starts. The PGA TOUR record for longest span between victories is 15 years, 6 months (Robert Gamez).

Pampling looks to become the oldest player to win on TOUR since Davis Love III won his 21st title at the 2015 Wyndham Championship at the age of 51 years, 4 months, 10 days. Since the beginning of the 2014-15 season, there have been seven players age 40 or older who have won on TOUR (Padraig Harrington, Alex Cejka, Jim Furyk, J.J. Henry, Davis Love III, Greg Chalmers and Henrik Stenson).

Should he win, Pampling would set the record for best start by a winner in Las Vegas with his opening 60. The previous-best low start by a champion was Ryan Moore who opened with a 61 en route to victory in 2012.

In six previous starts at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, Pampling's best result is a T16 in 2005. He has not competed in Las Vegas since 2012 when he finished T68.

Pampling is making his third start of the season (Safeway Open/MC and Sanderson Farms Championship/T42) and 342nd on the PGA TOUR.

For the last two seasons, Pampling has secured his PGA TOUR card via the Web.com Tour. This past season, Pampling posted two top-15 finishes in the Web.com Tour Finals to finish 23rd on the final priority ranking order.

Pampling has missed the FedExCup Playoffs the last four seasons.

Brooks Koepka

After starting the third round one shot off Rod Pampling's lead, Brooks Koepka posted three bogeys in his first six holes. He played his next 10 holes in 5-under before hitting his tee shot into the water on 17 which resulted in a double bogey. He birdied the final hole to get back to one stroke off the pace and into the final grouping.

En route to his lone PGA TOUR victory, Koepka came from three strokes back to win the 2015 Waste Management Phoenix Open by one shot.

Koepka is making his fourth start in the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open. Sandwiched between two missed cuts in 2013 and 2015 is a T4 effort in 2014.

Koepka is one of seven players who made the trip from Shanghai, China, after competing in last week's World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions (T40), his only start of the 2016-17 season.

Russell Henley

Starting the day at T36 after rounds of 68-69, Russell Henley posted the round of the day, a bogey-free, 8-under 63 and will head into the final round two shots off the lead.

Henley ranked second in Strokes Gained: Putting in the third round, gaining +3.278 strokes on the field. He has hit exactly half of fairways this week (21/42)

Henley is making his third start in the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open. He missed the cut in 2013 and finished 10th last year following rounds of 68-69-68-66.

Henley is in search of his third career PGA TOUR title in his 107th start. Henley won in his first start as a professional at the 2013 Sony Open in Hawaii, winning by three strokes. His next win came at the 2014 Honda Classic which he won via playoff over Russell Knox, Ryan Palmer and Rory McIlroy.

Henley missed the cut at the Safeway Open and finished T14 at the Sanderson Farms Championship.

Additional Player Notes

Two shots back is Geoff Ogilvy whose last PGA TOUR win came in the state of Nevada, the 2014 Barracuda Championship. Ogilvy, who missed the cut in the Safeway Open and the Sanderson Farms Championship, is taking his one-time Top 50 on Career Money List exemption this season.

Defending champion Smylie Kaufman posted a double bogey-6 (No. 2) and a quadruple bogey-8 (No. 6) to post a 4-over 75, moving him to T72.

It's been 23 years since Davis Love III (T46) won the 1993 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open and this week marks his 23rd start in Las Vegas. Since 1992, Love is a combined 163-under par in the event, the second lowest score to par behind Jim Furyk (-171).

Las Vegas native Scott Piercy posted a bogey-free, 6-under 65 after hitting 17 of 18 greens in regulation. Piercy leads the field in that category, having hit 88.89% of greens in regulation. Dating to 2010, Piercy has the most birdies by any player at the Shriners Hospital for Open:

Player	Total birdies since 2010 (through round three)
Scott Piercy	129
Jason Bohn	119
Chad Campbell	117
Nick Watney	116

Ten former Shriners Hospitals for Children Open champions are in the field:

Champion (Year)	R3		
Ryan Moore (2012)	T12	Bob Estes (2001)	MC
Webb Simpson (2013-14)	T36	Jonathan Byrd (2010)	MC
Smylie Kaufman (2015-16)	T72	Ben Martin (2014-15)	MC
Davis Love III (1993)	T36	Kevin Na (2011)	MC
Martin Laird (2009)	T57	Stuart Appleby (2003)	WD

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Rod Pampling (60), John Huh (62), Brooks Koepka (62), Billy Horschel (64), Chris Kirk (66), Charles Howell III (67), Ryan Brehm (67), Kevin Na (68), Vaughn Taylor (68), Graham DeLaet (69), Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano (70). R2: Chez Reavie (61), Sean O'Hair (62), Derek Fathauer (67), Keegan Bradley (65).

R3: Russell Henley (63), Scott Piercy (65), Tony Finau (65), Adam Hadwin (67), Chez Reavie (68).

Scoring Averages at the par-71 TPC Summerlin:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	34.783	34.958	69.741	
R2:	34.683	35.014	69.698	69.720
R3:	34.959	34.500	69.459	69.666

In the third round, the par-4 third hole played the toughest (4.311). The par-5 16th was the easiest (4.459).