



## KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship

Trump National Golf Club (Championship)/Potomac Falls, VA | May 25-28, 2017

### Partial First-Round Notes

**Course Setup:** Par 72/6,996 yards/ 72.540 R1 scoring average

**Weather:** Early morning showers gave way to mostly cloudy conditions with occasional showers and highs in the upper-60s. SW wind 6-12 mph. The start of play was delayed by one hour, 20 minutes for course preparations due to overnight rains (three-quarters of an inch). Play was suspended at 5:26 p.m. when storms moved through the area and was called for the day at 6:15 p.m. Play will resume at 7 a.m. on Friday

	Player	To Par	Scores
1.	<b>Bernhard Langer</b>	-7	35-30 - 65
T2.	<b>Lee Janzen</b>	-5	33-34 - 67
T2.	<b>Tom Lehman</b>	-5	35-32 - 67
T2.	<b>Scott McCarron</b>	-5	35-32 - 67
T2.	<b>James Kingston</b>	-5	37-30 - 67
T2.	<b>Larry Mize</b>	-5+	Thru 11 holes

+ Indicates started on #11

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- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Tee Times](#)
- [PGATOURmedia.com](http://PGATOURmedia.com) (transcripts and other resources available for download)

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#### **Bernhard Langer, 35-30 - 65 (-7)**

- His opening-round 7-under-par 65 was his best opening round in nine appearances in this event. His previous low was a 6-under-par 66 in 2010 at the Colorado Golf Club.
- This marks the second time he has led or shared the lead after the first round in this tournament. He also shared the lead in 2010 with Robin Freeman after each fired 6-under-par 66.
- Is bidding for his first victory in the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship and a victory would give him at least one victory in all five PGA TOUR Champions major championships making him the only player to do so.
- Has led or shared the first-round lead 27 times in his PGA TOUR Champions career and eventually won 11 of those events.
- Has led or shared the first-round lead in seven major championships on Tour and has won three of those.

- Won his 31<sup>st</sup> career title on PGA TOUR Champions last week at the Regions Tradition, his eighth major title, matching Jack Nicklaus with that distinction.

### Tournament Notes...

- With play suspended for the day at 6:15 p.m., the first round will resume at 7 a.m. on Friday with the second round scheduled to get underway at 9 a.m. Friday's forecast is for cloudy weather with the chance for isolated morning showers.
- **Bernhard Langer** has been on a roll in his last three rounds dating back to his victory last week at the Regions Tradition. In his last three rounds, he is a combined 21-under-par with 22 birdies and one eagle. Including his first two rounds in Alabama, he is a combined 27-under-par. He has also hit 79 of 90 greens in regulation in that stretch.
- **Colin Montgomerie**, a two-time winner of this event (2014, 2015), tied a PGA TOUR Champions record today when he posted his 38<sup>th</sup> consecutive round of par/better with a 2-under-par 70. It tied the mark Jay Haas set in 2014. Montgomerie started his streak in the final round of last August's U.S. Senior Open.
- **Jeff Sluman** saw his streak of consecutive holes without a three-putt end at 183 when he three-putted No. 18 on Thursday. That had been the longest current streak on Tour.
- Players representing 17 countries are participating in this year's KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship. In addition to the United States, here are players from Australia, Austria, Fiji, Canada, England, Scotland, Japan, Germany, Thailand, Wales, Switzerland, South Africa, Mexico, Paraguay, Spain and Sweden. In addition, 32 states are represented in the field., including 23 from Florida and 14 from Texas.
- Defending champion **Rocco Mediate** is 1-under-par through nine holes.
- The last group to tee off on Thursday did not get started until 3:40 due to morning delay and they had played just six holes when play was suspended. The group included Rod Spittle, Jeff Coston and Gary Hallberg.
- The best showing so far by one of 36 club professionals in the field was by **Gene Fieger**, who was 3-under-par through 14 holes. He is the teaching professional at The Club at Pelican Bay in Naples, FL.
- While there is still much golf to be played in the first round, the most difficult hole was No. 8. The par-4 averaged 4.345 and yielded just five birdies after 110 players had played the hole.