



KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship

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

Third-Round Notes

Course Setup: Par 72/7,096 yards/71.45 R3 scoring average; 73.74 cumulative

Weather: Mostly cloudy with occasional light showers with highs in the low-70s. Variable wind 5-10 mph.

	Player	To Par	Scores
1.	Vijay Singh	-15	66-68-67 - 201
2.	Bernhard Langer	-14	65-67-70 – 202
3.	Billy Andrade	-12	67-68-69 – 204
4.	Bob Estes	-10	70-69-67 – 206
T5.	Scott McCarron	-9	67-67-73 – 207
	Larry Mize	-9	65-73-69 – 207
	Miguel Angel Jimenez	-9	67-71-69 – 207
8.	David Toms	-8	69-68-71 – 208

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- <u>PGATOURmedia.com</u> (transcripts and other resources available for download)

Vijay Singh, 66-68-67 - 201 (-15)

- Posted his third straight round in the 60s, a 5-under-par 67 for a 54-hole total of 15-under-par 201. The 201 total matches the fourth-best 54-hole score in tournament annals.
- Has birdied 10 of 12 par-5 holes.
- Last time he held sole possession of a lead going into the final round was at the 2007 Canadian Open where he led John Mallinger and Steve Allen by one stroke. He finished second to Jim Furyk.
- Bidding to become 14th player since the start of PGA TOUR Champions in 1980 to win this event in his first attempt. Overall, 25 players have done so with Colin Montgomerie the most recent in 2014.
- Could also become the 12th player to win the PGA Championship and the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship. Raymond Floyd was the last to do so in 1995.
- Finished 64th in his previous start at the Regions Tradition where he was T71 in putting with 31.5 putts-per-round. Through three rounds here has needed just 84 putts (28.0).
- Playing in just his fourth major championship on PGA TOUR Champions and first in this event. His best finish in a major was a T5 at the 2014 U.S. Senior Open at Oak Tree in Oklahoma.

- The World Golf Hall of Famer teamed with Carlos Franco to win the Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf in April for his first PGA TOUR Champions victory.
- The Fiji native is a 34-time winner on the PGA TOUR, including three major championships (1998, 2004 PGA Championships, 2000 Masters).
- Led the PGA TOUR money list in 2003, 2004 and 2008 and won the FedEx Cup in 2008.

Bernhard Langer, 65-67-70 - 202 (-14)

- After completing his second round by playing five holes in the morning, came back later in the day to shoot a 2-under-par 70. His 54-hole total of 202 trails Vijay Singh by one stroke.
- Is bidding for his first victory in the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship and a win would give him at least one victory in all five PGA TOUR Champions major championships making him the only player to do so.
- Leads all players in fairways hit (39/42 92.86%) and in greens in regulation (44/54 81.48%)
- Owns the lowest final-round scoring average on Tour 66.38. He also led in 2015 and 2016.
- Won his 31st career title on PGA TOUR Champions last week at the Regions Tradition, his eighth major title, matching Jack Nicklaus with that distinction.

Billy Andrade, 67-68-69-204 (-12)

- Three straight rounds in the 60s, including a third-round 3-under-par 69, has him in third place, two strokes shy of Vijay Singh.
- A victory on Sunday would be his fourth on PGA TOUR Champions and first since 2015 when he won three times.
- His 79 putts through three rounds are the fewest in the event and leads with 28 one-putts.
- Did not play at last week's event due to his son Cam's graduation from Wofford College where he was a member of the golf team.
- Was T5 in this tournament a year ago.
- Posted the first of four PGA TOUR victories in 1991 when he won the Booz Allen Classic in a playoff with Jeff Sluman at TPC Avenel. A week later added a second victory at the Buick Classic.
- A three-time winner on PGA TOUR Champions with all three coming in 2015.
- The Rhode Island native attended Wake Forest on an Arnold Palmer Scholarship and is a member of the school's athletic Hall of Fame.

Tournament Notes...

- **Colin Montgomerie's** bid for a record 39th consecutive round of par/better ended at 38 when he shot a 3-over-par 75 in the second round which concluded Saturday morning. He now shares the record with Jay Haas, who set the mark in 2014. Montgomerie rebounded from his 75 with a 3-under-par 69 later on Saturday.
- Since 2000, nine of 17 players who led or shared the lead after 54 holes have won the event, including in four in the last five years. The exception during that span came in 2013 when **Kenny Perry** was unable to hold off **Kohki Idoki** at Bellerive CC near St. Louis.
- **Bob Estes** is in position for a good finish in just his second start on Tour. He is currently fourth, five behind Vijay Singh. He finished T23 in the Tucson Conquistadores Classic in his only previous start
- **Stephen Ames** made his second hole-in-one of the year when he aced No. 16 on Saturday with a 6-iron from 166 yards. Earlier this year he made his hole-in-one at the Allianz Championship.
- **Steve Flesch,** making his debut on PGA TOUR Champions, did not make the cut. The four-time PGA TOUR champion finished at 5-over-par 147, one shy of the cut total of 146.

- **Bernhard Langer** could pad his lead in the season-long Charles Schwab Cup race with a win or a strong finish on Sunday. A victory would add \$540,000 to his current total of \$1,124,651. However, Scott McCarron, who is second in the race and T5, could close the gap with a strong finish.
- The winner of the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship will earn a lifetime exemption into the event, as well as exemptions into the 2017 PGA Championship, the 2017 Senior Open Championship and the 2017 U.S. Senior Open (unless otherwise exempt).
- **Larry Mize** is in position for a nice finish in the tournament. He is currently T5 and his best showing in a recent major championship was a year ago when he was T9 at the Regions Tradition. He was second in this event in 2009
- Of the five club professionals who made the cut, **Rick Schuller** leads that group at 1-over-par.
- The most difficult hole on Saturday was No. 12 with a 4.329(+.319) scoring average. There were just four birdies. Through three rounds, No. 4 is the most difficult at 4.231 (+.231).
- Sunday's forecast calls for mostly cloudy weather with a 20% chance of showers and highs in the low-to-mid-70s.