



2018 Barbasol Championship

(The 39th of 44 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Nicholasville, Kentucky

July 19-22, 2018

Purse: \$3,500,000 (\$630,000)

Keene Trace Golf Club (Champions) Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,328

FedExCup: 300 (winner)

FINAL Second-Round Notes – Saturday, July 21, 2018

Weather: Partly cloudy in the morning, giving way to clouds in the afternoon. High of 79. Wind WSW 8-15 mph. Round two resumed at 7:32 a.m. Due to wet course conditions, preferred lies in closely-mown areas were utilized in round two and will remain in effect for round three. From Friday afternoon through Saturday morning, the course received a total of 2" of rain.

Round three will feature threesomes off Nos. 1 and 10.

36-hole cut: 73 professionals at 4-under 140 from a field of 132 professionals

Second-Round Leaderboard

Troy Merritt	62-67—129 (-15)
Billy Horschel	65-66—131 (-13)
Cameron Percy	67-64—131 (-13)
Andres Romero	65-67—132 (-12)
Richy Werenski	66-66—132 (-12)

Five Things To Know

- Troy Merritt’s lead is just his seventh after any round on the PGA TOUR (528 total rounds)
- Brittany Lincicome holed out for an eagle-3 at No. 17 from 116 yards in round two to post a 1-under 71 (included five birdies). At 5-over 149 (78-71), she missed the cut. Was just the sixth female golfer to compete in a PGA TOUR event and first since Michelle Wie at the 2008 Barracuda Championship
- Cameron Percy birdied seven of first nine holes to put himself in contention for the final two rounds
- Andres Romero birdied three of final four holes to get inside the top five after 36 holes
- Richy Werenski returned Saturday morning with just a 3-foot putt at his final hole left to complete his second round

Troy Merritt (-15/1st)

Age: 32 (October 25, 1985)

Joined TOUR: 2010

Entering this week

#131	FedExCup
#327	OWGR
1	PGA TOUR wins
177	PGA TOUR starts
22	PGA TOUR starts in 2017-18
2	Top-10s in 2017-18
2	Starts at Barbasol Championship
0/1	Wins when holding 36-hole lead/co-lead

- After finishing round one eagle-birdie-birdie-par, came out in round two with birdies on his first two holes
- Dating to round two of last week’s John Deere Classic (T43), has played last five competitive rounds in 26-under par
- On only other occasion to hold a 36-hole lead, which he held through 54 holes, finished third at the 2015 RBC Heritage
- Ten 36-hole leaders (36 stroke-play events) on the PGA TOUR this season have converted for the win, with the most recent being Dustin Johnson at the FedEx St. Jude Classic
- Is making his third start in the Barbasol Championship (2016/T20, 2017/T35)

- Is making his 23rd start of the 2017-18 season, with top-10 finishes at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am (T8) and Zurich Classic of New Orleans (with teammate Brendon de Jonge to finish T10)
- Winner of the 2015 Quicken Loans National

Billy Horschel (-13/T2)

- In his first start at the Barbasol Championship, 2014 FedExCup Champion followed a 7-under 65 in round one with a bogey-free 66 in round two
- Lone bogey through 36 holes came at the par-4 ninth hole in round one
- Most recent of four individual PGA TOUR titles came at the 2017 AT&T Byron Nelson. He won this season's Zurich Classic of New Orleans in a team format with Scott Piercy (official victory).
- On the strength of four top-10 finishes this season, comes into the week ranked 45th in the FedExCup standings

Cameron Percy (-13/T2)

- Was 3-under par through three holes when play was called for the day Friday. On Saturday morning, added additional birdies at Nos. 5, 6, 8, 9, 14 and 17 (nine total for the round) to post an 8-under 64
- His 64 tied the round's low score with Conrad Shindler
- Birdied seven of his first nine holes in round two (bogey at the par-3 seventh)
- Is making his 13th start of the 2017-18 season, with his lone top-10 showing coming at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans (team event with Greg Chalmers)
- With a win Sunday, would become the second Australian to win the Barbasol Championship (Aaron Baddeley/2016)
- Remains in search of his first career win on the PGA TOUR in his 133rd start
- Best finish on the PGA TOUR is a playoff loss at the 2010 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open
- Comes into the week ranked 178th in the FedExCup standings

Richy Werenski (-12/T4)

- When play resumed Saturday morning, made a 3-foot putt for par at No. 18 to shoot a second straight 66
- Is making his third start in the Barbasol Championship (2015/T72, 2017/T18)
- Is making his 29th start of the season, his second season on the PGA TOUR. Has collected five top-25 finishes, highlighted by a top-10 showing at the FedEx St. Jude Classic (T4)

Hunter Mahan (-10/T7)

- Made five birdies against one bogey (par-3 seventh) in round two in his third Barbasol Championship start
- Hit 16 of 18 greens in regulation in round one and 17 of 18 in round two
- Friday's 68 marks his ninth sub-par score in last 10 rounds on the PGA TOUR (74/R4/Travelers Championship) and takes him to 23-under par in that stretch
- Is competing on the PGA TOUR this season out of the Past Champion category
- Six-time PGA TOUR winner is looking for first win since the 2014 THE NORTHERN TRUST
- Remains in search of his first top-10 finish since the 2015 Dell Technologies Championship (T4)

Course Statistics

Toughest Hole	Easiest Hole
R1: Par-3 7 th (3.235)	Par-5 2 nd (4.364)
R2: Par-4 9 th (4.129)	Par-5 6 th (4.323)

Scoring Averages

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	35.318	35.000	70.318	---
R2:	34.911	35.024	69.935	70.127

Marty Dou, Carl Pettersson, Chris Couch, Omar Uresti and Guy Boros withdrew during round two.

Bogey-free rounds

R1: Troy Merritt (62), Joel Dahmen (65), Jonathan Byrd (66), Shawn Stefani (66), Tyler Duncan (66), Robert Streb (67), D.J. Trahan (67), Wesley Bryan (69), J.J. Henry (69), Peter Malnati (69), Duffy Waldorf (69), Rob Oppenheim (71)

R2: Conrad Shindler (64), Blayne Barber (65), Billy Horschel (66), Josh Teater (66), Charlie Wi (66), Chris Wilson (66), J.T. Poston, (66), J.J. Henry (67), Skip Kendall (68), Davis Love III (68), Parker McLachlin (68), Seamus Power (68), Sam Ryder (68).