



Regions Tradition

Greystone Golf and Country Club (Founders Course) | Birmingham, Ala. | May 17-20, 2018

Third-Round Notes

Saturday, May 19, 2018

Course Setup: Par 72 / 7,277 yards (R3 scoring average: 71.351; Cumulative: 71.200)

Weather: Partly sunny skies. High in the mid-upper 80s. Wind from the S-SW at 5-10 mph..

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	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Miguel Angel Jimenez	-17	64-69-66- 199
2	Steve Stricker	-14	67-70-65- 202
T3	Kevin Sutherland	-13	69-66-68- 203
T3	Joe Durant	-13	66-70-67- 203
T3	Gene Sauers	-13	66-67-70- 203

Quick Links:

- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Tee Times](#) – Final round tee times will run from 9:10 a.m. – 11:10 a.m. off the No. 1 and 10 tees)
- [PGATOURmedia.com](#) (transcripts and other resources available for download)

Miguel Angel Jimenez, 64-69-66-199 (-17)

- With a 6-under-66 highlighted by six birdies, Jimenez gained a three-shot lead over the field heading into Sunday's final round.
- Through 54-holes, Jimenez's 17-under-par 199 sets the 54-hole record here at Greystone Golf and Country Club and ties the tournament's 54-hole record set by Gil Morgan in 1997.
- This is the third time he has been a leader/co-leader entering the final round at PGA TOUR Champions major, but he has yet to convert it to a victory. The closest he came was finishing T3 at the 2016 Senior Open Championship and T2 at the 2016 U.S. Senior Open Championship.
- Jimenez has won in each of his four seasons since turning 50, but a win tomorrow would be his first major championship on PGA TOUR Champions.
- Currently ranked in No. 15 in Charles Schwab Cup standings, a win tomorrow could vault him into the top-3.
- 54-year-old Jimenez would become just the sixth international player to win the Regions Tradition in its 30-year history. He would join **Bernhard Langer** (Germany), **David Frost** (South Africa), **Mark McNulty** (Zimbabwe), **Eduardo Romero** (Argentina) and **Graham Marsh** (Australia).
- This is just Jimenez second appearance at the Regions Tradition, finishing T20 last year.

Steve Stricker, 67-70-65- 202 (-14)

- Stricker carded the lowest round of the day, a 7-under 65 to move up seven places on the leaderboard, just three strokes behind Jimenez. This was Stricker's 28th round under par on PGA TOUR Champions, the longest active streak on Tour. He has never carded a round over par on PGA TOUR Champions.

- Across three rounds, Stricker ranks first in driving accuracy hitting 36 of 39 fairways and is T3 in fewest putts tallying 75 on 45 greens.
- This is Stricker's second start in a PGA TOUR Champions major, his first being last year's Regions Tradition where he finished T13. It's the only time he has finished outside the top-10 in 10 career starts.
- So far this season, Stricker has two wins (Cologuard Classic, Rapiscan System Classic), has finished inside the top-five in each of his four starts, and is currently ranked No. 2 in Charles Schwab Cup standings.
- Should he go on to win tomorrow and current Charles Schwab Cup money leader Bernhard Langer finishes lower than third, Stricker could reclaim No. 1 on the Charles Schwab Cup money list.

Other Notes

- **Kevin Sutherland** carded a 4-under 68 third round to sit in four strokes off the leader. Across three rounds, he leads in fewest putts tallying 81 on 47 greens. Sutherland's highest finish in three appearance at the Regions Tradition came as the runner-up in his first start in 2015. Should Sutherland go on to win, it would be just his second victory on PGA TOUR Champions and first major championship win.
- **Joe Durant** carded an eagle on Nos. 2 and 18 en route to a bogey-free 5-under-par 67 round. Durant sits in a three-way tie for third, just four strokes behind the leader. Making his fourth start at this event, this is the first time he has been in contention entering into the final round. Should he go on to win, it would be his fourth victory on PGA TOUR Champions and first victory in a major championship.
- **Gene Sauers** opened the third round with a bogey, but responded at the turn carding five birdies in a row for a 5-under 67 finish. Sauers is T3, four strokes off the lead. Should he go on to win, it would be just his second major championship victory (2016 U.S. Senior Open Championship) and first time he converted a third-place standing entering the final round into a win.
- After opening the round with a bogey, two-time defending champion **Bernhard Langer** bounced back with a birdie on the next hole before adding another three birdies and an eagle on the par-5 No. 13 en route to carding a 31. This match his best nine holes at Greystone Golf and Country Club. Langer moved up the leaderboard 26 places to sits T13, nine strokes off the lead.
- Of the 28 Regions Traditions that have gone 72 holes, 15 have been won by the 54-hole leader/co-leader.
- The Regions Tradition champion will take home a \$360,000 check, which means the Charles Schwab Cup lead is within striking distance for three players currently sitting inside the top-10 through 54 holes.

Player	Money	Current Position through 54-holes
1. Bernhard Langer	\$802,721	T13
2. Steve Stricker	\$630,235	2
3. Jerry Kelly	\$572,963	T6
4. Joe Durant	\$524,919	T3

- The easiest hole Saturday was No. 2, yielding 31 birdies and playing to a 4.622 average. The hardest hole was No. 3, yielding just two birdies, 15 bogeys and eight double bogey, and playing to a 4.432 average. hole No. 3 also played the hardest across four rounds at Greystone Golf and Country Club in 2017.
- Six past champions of the Regions Tradition are competing this week, including two-time defending champions Bernhard Langer and Tom Lehman:
 - Bernhard Langer: 70-72-66--208 (T13)
 - Jeff Maggert: 68-73-68--209 (T15)
 - Kenny Perry: 68-69-72--209 (T15)

- Tom Lehman: 68-69-72--209 (T15)
 - Fred Funk: 72-68-74--214 (T44)
 - David Frost: 76-76-71--223 (T67)
- **Loren Roberts** withdrew prior to the start of Saturday's round. **Steve Lowery** withdrew after his tenth hole due to an illness.