



U.S. Senior Open Championship

The Broadmoor East Course | Colorado Springs, Colorado | June 28-July 1, 2018

Third-Round Notes

Saturday, June 30, 2018

Course Setup: Par 70 / 7,265 yards (R3 Scoring average: 71.68, Cumulative: 74.24)

Weather: High of 81 with morning winds 5-15 mph out of the NE and afternoon winds 5-15 mph out of the SE.

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	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Jerry Kelly	-4	66-69-71—206
2	David Toms	-3	70-71-66—207
T3	Kirk Triplett	-2	74-66-68—208
T3	Tim Petrovic	-1	72-65-71—208

Quick Links:

- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Final-Round Tee Times](#) (9:41 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. MDT)
- [PGATOURMEDIA.com](#) (transcripts and other resources available for download)

Jerry Kelly, 66-69-71—206 (-4)

- Charles Schwab Cup leader, **Jerry Kelly** leads the U.S. Senior Open Championship after the third-round by one-stroke. Kelly carded a round over par for the first time this tournament, ending his 16-round under par streak that stretched across four events.
- Kelly sits T26 in putts as he failed to make a putt over 12-feet in the third-round. However, he is first in driving accuracy, hitting 38/42 fairways.
- For the first time in his career, Kelly holds the leading position after 54-holes in a major championship on PGA TOUR Champions. Kelly's highest finish (T3) in a major came this season at the 2018 Kitchen Aid Senior PGA Championship.

- This is just the second time this year Kelly will play the final round in the last group (Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai where he won).
- Should Kelly go on to win, he would be just the third player to go wire-to-wire at a U.S. Senior Open, joining Olin Browne (2011) and Dale Douglass (1986).
- This is just Kelly's second start at the U.S. Senior Open, finishing last year T12. Jeff Maggert (2015) was the last player to win the U.S. Senior Open in his second start.

David Toms, 70-71-66—207 (-3)

- **David Toms** carded a bogey-free third-round for a 4-under-par 66. This ties for the low-round of the day with Bernhard Langer and Brandt Jobe. His 3-under-par 207 54-hole total lands him in second-place headed into the final round.
- This is just the second time Toms has been in contention in a Champions Tour major and it will be the first time this year he will play in the final group.
- This season, Toms has seven top-10s with a runner-up finish at the Chubb Classic. He has never won a major championship on Champions Tour, with his highest finish coming at T6 at the 2017 Regions Tradition.
- On the PGA TOUR, Toms competed in 19 U.S. Opens, finishing in the top-five three times (T4 2012, T5 2003 & 2007). The 2001 PGA Championship is his only major win in his career.

Kirk Triplett, 74-66-68—208 (-2)

- The 2017 U.S. Senior Open runner-up, **Kirk Triplett** carded a third-round 2-under-par 68 to move six-places up the leaderboard sitting in a tie for third-place.
- In six U.S. Senior Open appearances, this is the second time Triplett has been in contention entering the final round.
- Triplett owns six victories on PGA TOUR Champions with one this season at the Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf with Paul Broadhurst. He has never won a major on Champions Tour, but holds two runner-up finishes (2015 Constellation SENIOR PLAYERS, 2017 U.S. Senior Open Championship).

Tim Petrovic, 72-65-71—208 (-2)

- Making his U.S. Senior Open debut, **Tim Petrovic** carded a 1-over-par 71 when he bogeyed three of the last four holes on Saturday. His 2-under-par 208 total puts him in a tie for third with Kirk Triplett headed into the final round.
- Petrovic has not yet won a major on PGA TOUR Champions. His highest finish in a major championship came this year when he finished runner-up to Paul Broadhurst at the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship.
- Should Petrovic go on to win, he would be just the ninth player to win in his first appearance and just the second sectional qualifier to ever win the U.S. Senior Open (Don Pooley, 2002).

Other Notes

- Since 1990, 14 times a player(s) leading or co-leading the U.S. Senior Open after the third round have gone on to win. Olin Browne (2011) was the last 36-hole leader to go on to win.
- In the last 10 years, six times players have come from behind to claim the title, including defending champion, Kenny Perry (one back), Gene Sauers (one back), Colin Montgomerie (four back/playoff), Kenny Perry (two back), Roger Chapman (four back), and Brad Bryant (five back). Allen Doyle's comeback from nine strokes in 2005 is the best come-from-behind win in the U.S. Senior Open championship history.
- The low amateur entering the final round is **Jeff Wilson**. He carded an even-par 70 to enter Sunday at 7-under-par in a tie for 34th-place.
- **Bernhard Langer** rebounded to card a 4-under-par 66 to move up the leaderboard 38 places into T17. In 51 major starts, this is only the 11th time Langer has entered the final-round T17 or lower in a major championship.
- **Brandt Jobe** matched the low-score of the day with Bernhard Langer and David Toms when he shot a 4-under-par 66. This is the fifth-time he sits in the top-five headed into the final round of a major on PGA TOUR Champions.
- Following the cut, five past U.S. Senior Open champions remain in the field:
 - Colin Montgomerie (2014): 71-73-67—210 (+1), T11

- Bernhard Langer (2010): 72-76-66—214 (+4), T17
- Gene Sauers (2016): 73-71-70—214 (+4), T17
- Kenny Perry (2013, 2017): 71-74-71—216 (+6), T29
- Jeff Maggert (2015): 74-71-72—217 (+7), T34