



2019 Barbasol Championship

(The 40th of 46 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

**Nicholasville, Kentucky
Keene Trace Golf Club (Champions)**

**July 18-21, 2019
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,328**

**Purse: \$3,500,000 (\$630,000)
FedExCup: 300 (winner)**

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, July 20, 2019

Weather: Mostly sunny, hot and humid. High of 94. Wind SW 6-12 mph.

Cut: With more than 78 players (79) making the 36-hole cut, a 54-hole cut took place Saturday with 72 players advancing to the final round at 5-under 211 or better.

Third-Round Leaderboard

Jim Herman	65-65-62—192 (-24)
Kelly Kraft	65-67-61—193 (-23)
Austin Cook	67-66-63—196 (-20)
Bill Haas	65-66-65—196 (-20)

Things to Know

- Jim Herman (192) and Kelly Kraft (193) set the two best 54-hole scores in Barbasol Championship history
- Herman equals the low opening 54-hole score of the season
- Herman enters the final round with the lead for the second time in his career (won the 2016 Houston Open)
- Kraft establishes new Keene Trace Golf Club course record with an 11-under 61
- Bill Haas (T3) is making his 117th start since the last of his six PGA TOUR victories
- Lexington native and local favorite Josh Teater (T5) is inside the top-5 but seven shots off the lead
- Due to the threat of inclement weather late on Sunday, the finish time has been moved from 7 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Through three rounds, the Barbasol Championship has already produced the most eagles in an event this season (90)

Third-Round Lead Notes

- 21 Third-round leaders/co-leaders to win in 2018-19 (most recent: Matthew Wolff/3M Open)
- 2 Third-round leaders/co-leaders to win the Barbasol Championship (Troy Merritt/2018, Scott Piercy/2015)

Comparing the final two groups (entering the week)

Category	Jim Herman	Kelly Kraft	Austin Cook	Bill Haas
Age	41 (11/5/1977)	30 (10/5/1988)	28 (3/13/1991)	37 (5/24/1982)
Country	United States	United States	United States	United States
FedExCup	232	154	132	142
OWGR	1252	213	177	357
PGA TOUR starts	174	118	60	385
PGA TOUR wins	1	0	1	6
PGA TOUR top-10s	8	9	6	57
Starts in 2018-19	19	27	21	20
Top-10s in 2018-19	0	2	1	2

Jim Herman (-24/1st)

- Establishes new 54-hole scoring record at the Barbasol Championship (24-under 192)
- Equals the low opening 54-hole score this season (Matt Kuchar/Sony Open in Hawaii)
- Previous best round on TOUR was 62, set twice and most recently at the 2017 Valspar Championship (R1)
- Previous-low 54-hole total on TOUR was 198 at the 2015 Wyndham Championship
- Enters the final round with the lead for the second time in his career (won the 2016 Houston Open)
- Lone bogey this week came on the par-4 sixth hole on Friday

- Seeking his first top-10 finish of the season (best: T43 Sony Open in Hawaii)
- Last top-10 finish came at the 2017 Valspar Championship (T3)
- Should he win, projected to move from No. 232 to No. 134 in the FedExCup standings
- Last top-10 finish came at the 2017 Valspar Championship (T3)
- Making his first start at the event

Miscellaneous Notes

- **Kelly Kraft** (2nd) set the Keene Trace Golf Club course record with an 11-under 61; previous-low round was 63, set during the second round of the 2018 A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier; best finish on the PGA TOUR was a runner-up showing at The Greenbrier in 2018
- In search of his second TOUR victory (2017 The RSM Classic), **Austin Cook** (T3) closed with five birdies in his final six holes (Nos. 13-17) for a 9-under 63; finished T6 in his only other start at the event (2015); has career-best four eagles this week
- Making his first start at the event, **Bill Haas** (T3) has just one bogey through 54 holes (No. 12/R1); 2011 FedExCup champion is just one week removed from a T10 at the John Deere Classic; last had back-to-back top-10 finishes at the 2016 Valspar Championship (P2) and World Golf Championships-Dell Match Play (T9); making his 117th start since the last of six PGA TOUR victories
- At 17-under 199, Lexington native and Morehead State University graduate **Josh Teater** (T5) broke his best 54-hole score on the PGA TOUR (200/2012 RBC Canadian Open); equaled his best score on TOUR with a bogey-free 8-under 64 Saturday; in search of his first TOUR win in his 182nd start (best finish – 2nd at the 2013 Farmers Insurance Open)
- **Sepp Straka** (T5) equaled career-low round with a bogey-free 9-under 63; the PGA TOUR rookie recently had the best of his three top-25 finishes at the Rocket Mortgage Classic (T11); currently No. 138 in the FedExCup
- After making the cut on the number, current University of Kentucky sophomore **Cullan Brown** (T44) posted a third-round 5-under 67 to move to 9-under 207

Course Statistics

Most eagles in a PGA TOUR event this season

90 – Keene Trace Golf Club/Champions (Barbasol Championship)

63 – TPC Sawgrass (THE PLAYERS Championship)

58 – TPC Deere Run (John Deere Classic)

56 – Waialae Country Club (Sony Open in Hawaii)

Toughest Hole

R1: Par-3 16th (3.174), Par-4 18th (4.174)

R2: Par-4 sixth (4.191)

R3: Par-4 13th (4.139)

Easiest Hole

R1: Par-5 fifth (4.265)

R2: Par-5 15th (4.252)

R3: Par-5 15th (4.316)

Scoring Averages

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	34.674	35.477	70.152	---
R2:	34.817	34.695	69.511	69.833
R3:	34.241	34.962	69.203	69.687

Bogey-free rounds

R1: Nick Taylor (63), Wes Roach (64), D.J. Trahan (65), Kelly Kraft (65), Sebastian Munoz (65), Roberto Castro (65), Jim Herman (65), Ricky Barnes (66), Matt Jones (66), Dominic Bozzelli (67), Satoshi Kodaira (67), Freddie Jacobson (67), Ryan Blaum (68), Seamus Power (69), Brice Garnett (69), Whee Kim (69), Martin Piller (70), Chip McDaniel (71)

R2: Anders Albertson (70), Ryan Armour (67), John Chin (66), Harris English (66), Robert Garrigus (65), Bill Haas (66), Tom Hoge (69), David Lingmerth (63), Chip McDaniel (67), Stephen Stallings Jr. (68), Zack Sucher (65)

R3: Kelly Kraft (61), Jim Herman (62), Austin Cook (63), Sepp Straka (63), Josh Teater (64), Ben Silverman (65), Shawn Stefani (65), Bill Haas (65), Tommy Gainey (65), Matt Jones (67), Brandon Harkins (68), Tom Hoge (68)