



## 2019 Puerto Rico Open

*(The 16<sup>th</sup> of 46 events in the PGA TOUR Season)*

Rio Grande, Puerto Rico  
Coco Beach Golf & Country Club

February 21-24, 2019  
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,506

Purse: \$3,000,000

### Second-Round Notes – Friday, February 22, 2019

*Weather: Partly cloudy with isolated showers and a high of 84. Wind E 10-20, with gusts to 25 mph.*

#### Second-Round Leaderboard

D.J. Trahan	69-67—136 (-8)
Nate Lashley	68-68—136 (-8)
Roberto Diaz	68-68—136 (-8)

**36-hole cut:** 75 professionals at 1-over 145 from a field of 129 professionals and three amateurs

#### Things to Know

- D.J. Trahan seeks his third PGA TOUR win and first in 11 years
- Daniel Berger, the field's highest ranked player in the Official World Golf Rankings (72), sits T17 (-3)
- Defending Puerto Rico Open champion (from 2017) D.A. Points sits T37 (-1)
- In his 11<sup>th</sup> start in the event, Puerto Rico native Rafa Campos followed a first-round 73 with a second-round 68 and is T19 entering the weekend
- Former World No. 1 David Duval rebounded from an opening-round 79 with a 3-under 69, his best round since a 5-under 67 at the 2015 Open Championship

#### Second-Round Lead Notes

2	Second-round leaders/co-leaders to win the Puerto Rico Open (George McNeill/2012, D.A. Points/2017)
8	Second-round leaders/co-leaders to win in 2018-19 (most recent: Phil Mickelson/AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am)
130	Lowest 36-hole score in tournament history (Andres Romero/2013)

#### D.J. Trahan (T1/-8)

- Playing out of the reshuffle category, made seven birdies and two bogeys for a second-round 67
- Has hit 20/28 fairways and 22/36 greens in regulation over the first two rounds
- Has held the 36-hole lead/co-lead four times, winning twice. He has not led after a PGA TOUR round since the second round of the 2010 Arnold Palmer Invitational
- In four previous Puerto Rico Open starts, has made three cuts, highlighted by a T8 finish in 2013
- Two-time PGA TOUR winner: 2008 Desert Classic and the 2006 Southern Farm Bureau Classic
- Is making his fifth start of the season (made 4/5 cuts); top finish of T7 at the Sanderson Farms Championship

#### Nate Lashley (T1/-8)

- Playing on a minor medical extension, made six birdies and two bogeys for a second-consecutive 68
- Has hit 21/28 fairways and 24/36 greens in regulation over the first two rounds
- Making his debut at the Puerto Rico Open; competing in his 24<sup>th</sup> event on the PGA TOUR. Marks the first time he has led/co-led after a PGA TOUR round
- Is making his sixth start of the season (made all six cuts); three top-25s with a top finish of T12 at the Desert Classic

- Won the Corales Puntacana Resort and Club Championship on the Web.com Tour in 2017. Also has three wins on PGA TOUR Latinoamérica
- A former three-time all-state basketball player in high school in Nebraska

### **Roberto Diaz (T1/-8)**

- Playing after earning his card through the Web.com Tour Finals in 2018, carded a bogey-free round with four birdies for a second-consecutive 68
- Hit 18/28 fairways and 32/36 greens in regulation
- Finished T18 in his last PGA TOUR start at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, a career best in 37 starts
- The Mexico native competed on PGA TOUR Latinoamérica and the Web.com Tour for several years before earning his PGA TOUR card for the 2017-18 season
- Played collegiately at the University of South Carolina – Aiken

### **Miscellaneous Notes**

- Puerto Rico native Rafa Campos sits T19 in his 11<sup>th</sup> start in the event and is the sole Puerto Rican to make the cut
- Campos and Dicky Pride (+6/MC) are the only two players to have competed in each Puerto Rico Open (since 2008)
- J.J. Henry (-1/T38) carded an ace at the 202-yard 16<sup>th</sup>
- Starting on the back nine, Jonathan Byrd went 38-29 for a 5-under 67. He was +3 on the two par-5s on the back nine before going -3 on the two par-5s on the front. Also improved with 17 putts on his opening nine before needing just nine putts on the front nine
- Amateur Bryson Nimmer, a Clemson University senior, made the cut at even-par 144 in his PGA TOUR debut
- Boo Weekley, making his first start on the PGA TOUR since the 2017 RBC Canadian Open, carded rounds of 72-73—145 to finish on the cut line at 1-over
- Defending champion D.A. Points (2017) sits T38 after 36 holes, along with 2008 Masters champion Trevor Immelman and nine others
- Zac Blair, who learned he had earned a spot in the field off the alternate list when Olin Browne withdrew, took an Uber to the Salt Lake City airport, experienced four flight delays to New York's JFK, made a Wednesday night red eye to San Juan and landed at 5:30am before his 7:00am tee time for the first round. He made the cut after rounds of 71-73—144(E)
- Neal Lancaster withdrew during the second round

### **Puerto Rican players in the field**

<b>Player</b>	<b>Score/Position</b>
Rafa Campos	-3/T19
Edward Figueroa	+3/MC
Jeronimo Esteve (A)	+7/MC
Max Alverio (A)	+8/MC

### **Bogey-free rounds**

**R1 (8):** Andres Romero (66), Alex Kang (68), Roberto Castro (68), Martin Flores (69), Kramer Hickok (69), David Lingmerth (69), Curtis Luck (70), Aaron Baddeley (70)

**R2 (3):** Roberto Diaz (68), Curtis Luck (68), John Chin (70)

### **Scoring Averages**

	<b>Front nine</b>	<b>Back nine</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
<b>R1:</b>	35.802	36.511	72.313	
<b>R2:</b>	36.023	36.769	72.792	72.553

Early Scoring Average: 72.54

Late Scoring Average: 73.05