



2019 Sony Open in Hawaii

(10th of 46 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Honolulu, HI
Waialae Country Club

January 10-13, 2019
Par/Yards: 35-35—70/7,044

Purse: \$6,400,000 (\$1,152,000)
500 FedExCup points to winner

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, January 12, 2019

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 80. Wind ESE 7-14 mph.

54-hole cut: 71 players at 2-under 208 from 81 professionals who made the 36-hole cut.

Third-Round Leaderboard

Matt Kuchar	63-63-66—192 (-18)
Andrew Putnam	62-65-67—194 (-16)
Keith Mitchell	68-65-63—196 (-14)
Chez Reavie	65-65-66—196 (-14)

Things to Know

- Matt Kuchar has held the 54-hole lead/co-lead seven times previously in his career and converted three into victories
- Andrew Putnam continues to lead the field in Strokes Gained: Putting as he seeks his second TOUR win
- Keith Mitchell has played his last 21 holes in 12-under
- Davis Love III sits T5 as he seeks to become the oldest winner in TOUR history
- Bryson DeChambeau cards his 13th consecutive under-par round on TOUR
- Defending champion Patton Kizzire trails by 10 in attempt to become first repeat winner of Sony Open since 2014-15

Third-Round Lead Notes

- 8 Third-round leaders/co-leaders at Sony Open in Hawaii to win (since 2006)
Most recent: Justin Thomas/2017
- 6 Third-round leaders/co-leaders to win on TOUR in 2018-19
Most recent: Charles Howell III/The RSM Classic

Matt Kuchar (-18/1)

Age: 40 (June 21, 1978)

Entering the week

- #9 FedExCup
- #32 OWGR
- 13 Starts at Sony Open in Hawaii
- 5 Top-10s at Sony Open in Hawaii
- 429 PGA TOUR starts
- 8 PGA TOUR wins
- 3 PGA TOUR starts in 2018-19
- 1 Win in 2018-19 (Mayakoba Golf Classic)

- Holds the third-round lead/co-lead for the eighth time; has won three of the previous seven (2009 Turning Stone Resort Championship, 2013 the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide, 2018 Mayakoba Golf Classic)
- 192 opening 54-hole score is the best of his career (193/2018 Mayakoba Golf Classic, 196/2015 Sony Open in Hawaii, 196/2011 THE NORTHERN TRUST)
- In search of ninth PGA TOUR victory and second of the season (2018 Mayakoba Golf Classic)
- Enters the final round with a two-stroke lead; led by four after 54 holes en route to 2018 Mayakoba Golf Classic victory
- Has just one bogey through 54 holes (par-4 15th in round two)
- Victory Sunday would come at the age of 40 years, 6 months, 23 days
- In search of his 100th top-10 career finish on the PGA TOUR
- Bidding for his second multiple-win season (won twice in 2013: WGC-Dell Match Play, the Memorial Tournament)

- Seeking to become the third Mayakoba Golf Classic defending champion to win the Sony Open since 2011 (Johnson Wagner: 2011 Mayakoba Golf Classic/2012 Sony Open; Patton Kizzire: 2017 Mayakoba Golf Classic, 2018/Sony Open)
- 192 total falls four shy of Justin Thomas' 54-hole record at the Sony Open (188/2017)

Andrew Putnam (-16/2)

Age: 29 (January 25, 1989)

Entering the week

#31	FedExCup
#67	OWGR
2	Starts at Sony Open in Hawaii
0	Top-10s at Sony Open in Hawaii
57	PGA TOUR starts
1	PGA TOUR win
4	PGA TOUR starts in 2018-19
1	Top-10 in 2018-19 (T4-WGC-HSBC Champions)

- 194 is his career-low opening 54-hole score (195/2018 FedEx St. Jude Classic, 199/2018 BMW Championship)
- Leads the field with 19 birdies
- Through 54 holes, has made 388 feet, 3 inches of putts (most in the field; second-most, 345'2" by Brian Stuard)
- Leads the field in Strokes Gained: Putting (10.708)
- Seeking second PGA TOUR victory (2018 Reno-Tahoe Tournament)
- Making third start at the Sony Open in Hawaii (MC/2015, T69/2018)
- Victory Sunday would come at the age of 29 years, 11 months, 19 days

Keith Mitchell (-14/T3)

- 63 equals his best round on TOUR (final-round 63 at the 2018 AT&T Byron Nelson)
- Will make his first appearance in a final grouping on TOUR, playing with Matt Kuchar and Andrew Putnam
- Dating to his ace-birdie-eagle finish in round two, is 12-under in his last 21 holes
- 196 opening 54-hole score is four shots better than his previous-best mark (200/2018 Wyndham Championship)
- Proximity to the hole on the par-3 seventh hole this week, which he has played in five strokes (birdie-ace-birdie): R1 (5'8"), R2 (0'0"), R3 (3'9")
- Finished T25 in 2018 in his only other Sony Open start
- Career-best finish is runner-up effort at the 2018 Corales Puntacana Resort & Club Championship
- Victory Sunday would come at the age of 27 years, 6 days

Chez Reavie (-14/T3)

- Followed matching 5-under 65s in the opening two rounds with a 4-under 66 to remain T3
- Notched lone PGA TOUR victory at the 2008 RBC Canadian Open
- Seeking second top-10 finish in nine starts at the Sony Open in Hawaii (T8/2017)
- Victory Sunday would come at the age of 37 years, 2 months, 1 day
- Week highlighted by becoming the first player with three hole-outs for eagle from 100+ yards during the same round in the ShotLink era (since 2003); No. 10/101 yards, No. 16/149 yards, No. 6/135 yards
- First player on record (since 1983) on TOUR with three eagles on par-4s in the same round

Davis Love III (-11/T5)

- Following a 6-under 64 Saturday, hoping to become the PGA TOUR's oldest winner at the age of 54 years, 9 months
- Oldest winners in TOUR history: Sam Snead (52-10-8 at the 1965 Wyndham Championship), Art Wall (51-7-10 at the 1975 Greater Milwaukee Open), *Love III (51-4-10 at the 2015 Wyndham Championship)*
- Owns four top-five finishes in 16 Sony Open starts (2/1994, T2/1999, 3/2004, T5/2010)

Bryson DeChambeau (-11/T5)

- His 7-under 63 Saturday marked his 13th consecutive under-par score on the PGA TOUR
- The last time he failed to post an under-par round was during the second round of the 2018 TOUR Championship (75)
- Dating to the beginning of the 2018 FedExCup Playoffs, has now recorded 25 of 27 rounds at par-or-better
- Five-time PGA TOUR winner is making his second start at the Sony Open in Hawaii (T49/2017)

Charles Howell III (-11/T5)

- At T5, is well-positioned for his 10th top-10 in 18 starts at the Sony Open in Hawaii; has never missed a cut at the event

- Since 2002, is a TOUR-best 165-under at the Sony Open
- Seeking fourth PGA TOUR victory after winning earlier this season at The RSM Classic; prior to winning at Sea Island Golf Club, his last win came at the 2007 Genesis Open, a span of 11 years, 9 months and 333 starts between titles.

Miscellaneous Notes

- Defending champion Patton Kizzire sits T21 in his quest to become the first player since Jimmy Walker (2014-15) to win back-to-back at the Sony Open
- Making his seventh start at the Sony Open, Brian Stuard (T5) is in search of his fourth top-10 finish (T4/2018, T5/2013, 6/2014)

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Adam Svensson (61), Matt Kuchar (63), Patton Kizzire (67), Abraham Ancer (68), Stewart Cink (68)

R2: Kyle Stanley (64), Sungjae Im (64), Dominic Bozzelli (64), Sangmood Bae (65), Andrew Putnam (65), Roger Sloan (65), Ryan Blaum (66), Scott Brown (66), Patrick Reed (66), Julian Etulain (67), Joey Garber (67)

R3: Keith Mitchell (63), Charles Howell III (64), Brian Stuard (64), Brandt Snedeker (65), Matt Kuchar (66)

Scoring Averages at Waialae Country Club:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	34.646	34.993	69.639	---
R2:	34.403	34.500	68.903	69.271
R3:	34.111	34.210	68.321	69.062