



## 2019 The Honda Classic

(The 18th of 46 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Palm Beach Gardens, Florida Feb. 28 – March 3, 2019

Purse: \$6,800,000 (\$1,224,000/winner)

PGA National (Champion Course)

Par/Yards: 35-35—70/7,125

### Third-Round Notes – Saturday, March 2, 2019

Weather: Mostly cloudy, with a high of 84. Wind ESE 6-12 mph.

**54-hole cut:** 70 professionals at 2-over 212 from 83 professionals who made the 36-hole cut.

### Third-Round Leaderboard

Wyndham Clark	69-67-67—203 (-7)
Vijay Singh	70-69-65—204 (-6)
Kyoung-Hoon Lee	67-69-68—204 (-6)
Keith Mitchell	68-66-70—204 (-6)
Rickie Fowler	67-72-66—205 (-5)

### Things to Know

- Wyndham Clark holds the 54-hole lead for the first time in his career after a 3-under 67
- Vijay Singh cards his lowest round on TOUR since a 65 in the first round of the 2017 Sony Open in Hawaii
- Singh seeks to become the oldest winner in PGA TOUR history at 56 years old
- Singh is in the final pairing of the final round for the first time since the 2012 BMW Championship

### Third-Round Lead Notes

7	Third-round leaders/co-leaders to win since the event moved to PGA National in 2007 Most recent: Rickie Fowler/2017
10	Third-round leaders/co-leaders to win on TOUR in 2018-19 Most recent: Dustin Johnson/WGC-Mexico Championship
-7	The highest 54-hole score to par by a leader this season Previous high: -12/Puerto Rico Open/Aaron Baddeley

### Wyndham Clark (-7/1<sup>st</sup>)

Age: 25 (December 9, 1993)

### Entering the week

#116	FedExCup
#298	OWGR
0	Starts at The Honda Classic
18	PGA TOUR starts
0	PGA TOUR wins
10	PGA TOUR starts in 2018-19

**Best result in 2018-19:** T10/Puerto Rico Open

- Holds the 54-hole lead/co-lead for the first time in his career after a 3-under 67
- Made 16 birdies this week and ties Rory Sabbatini with most in the field
- Entering the week, made eight of 10 cuts in his rookie season, highlighted by his career-best finish at the Puerto Rico Open (T10)
- Secured his TOUR card for the 2018-19 season by finishing No. 16 on the Web.com Tour Regular Season money list
- Seeking to become the fourth rookie winner on TOUR this season (Cameron Champ/Sanderson Farms Championship, Martin Trainer/Puerto Rico Open, Adam Long/Desert Classic)

### Vijay Singh (-6/T2)

- Carded his lowest round on TOUR since a 65 in the first round of the 2017 Sony Open in Hawaii
- In the final pairing of the final round for the first time since the 2012 BMW Championship, where he entered the final round tied for the lead with Phil Mickelson and went on to finish eighth after a final-round 1-over 73
- Making his third start of the season after missing the cut at both the Sony Open in Hawaii and Genesis Open
- Made one start on the PGA TOUR Champions this season (Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai /T29)
- In search of his 185<sup>th</sup> official top-10 career finish on TOUR
- Seeking his 35<sup>th</sup> TOUR victory and his first since the 2008 Dell Technologies Championship (span of 3,835 days)
- At 56 years, 0 months, 9 days, looking to become the oldest winner in PGA TOUR history, surpassing Sam Snead's victory at 52 years, 10 months, 8 days at the 1965 Greater Greensboro Open
- With a win, he will remain 14<sup>th</sup> in the all-time PGA TOUR winners list

#### **Keith Mitchell (-6/T2)**

- Leads the field this week in bogey avoidance, having made only four bogeys through 54 holes
- Seeking first top-10 finish since 2018 John Deere Classic (T7)
- Seeking to become the fifth first-time winner of the 2018-19 TOUR season (most recent: Martin Trainer/Puerto Rico Open)
- Entered the week with two straight missed cuts (AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Genesis Open)

#### **Kyoung-Hoon Lee (-6/T2)**

- Ties the lowest 54-hole score of his career at 204, set in one previous occasion at the 2018 Mayakoba Golf Classic where he went on to finish T29
- In his 2018-19 rookie season, made five of 12 cuts entering the week, highlighted by a T25 at the Genesis Open
- Secured his TOUR card for the 2018-19 season by finishing No. 5 on the Web.com Tour Regular Season money list

#### **Miscellaneous Notes**

- 2017 champion Rickie Fowler made the longest putt of the day from 56' 6" on the par-4 sixth hole for birdie as he sits two strokes back at 5-under 205
- Defending Honda Classic champion Justin Thomas carded a 3-under 67 to move to 1-under 209 (T29) in his bid to become just the second player to successfully defend his title (Jack Nicklaus, 1977-78)
- Second-round co-leader Sungjae Im failed to make any birdies in his third round and carded a 7-over 77 to fall to T51
- Adam Schenk was assessed a 2-stroke penalty from the second round for violation of Rule 10.2b (4) on the par-3 17<sup>th</sup> hole as a result of his caddie standing behind him once he took his stance, but not taking any action subsequently that would absolve him of penalty, for example backing out of his stance; As a result, Adam's bogey-4 on the hole is recorded as a triple-bogey 6, dropping his second-round score to a 1-over 71

#### **Bogey-free rounds:**

R1: Jhonattan Vegas (64), Sergio Garcia (67)

R2: David Pastore (69)

R3: John Huh (67)

#### **Scoring Averages at PGA National:**

	<b>Front 9</b>	<b>Back 9</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
<b>R1:</b>	35.524	35.378	70.902	---
<b>R2:</b>	35.634	35.817	71.451	71.175
<b>R3:</b>	34.928	35.687	70.614	71.054

#### **"Bear Trap" averages**

R1: No. 15 (3.189/5<sup>th</sup> toughest), No. 16 (4.021/11<sup>th</sup> toughest), No. 17 (3.014/12<sup>th</sup> toughest)

R2: No. 15 (3.197/4<sup>th</sup> toughest), No. 16 (4.063/11<sup>th</sup> toughest), No. 17 (2.986/14<sup>th</sup> toughest)

R3: No. 15 (3.217/3<sup>rd</sup> toughest), No. 16 (4.108/7<sup>th</sup> toughest), No. 17 (3.253/1<sup>st</sup> toughest)