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THE PLAYERS Championship 2019
(20th of 46 events in the 2018-19 PGA TOUR Season)

Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida March 14-17, 2019
THE PLAYERS Stadium Course at TPC Sawgrass

Purse: \$12,500,000 (\$2,250,000)
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,189

Second-Round Notes – Friday, March 15, 2019

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 80. Wind S 10-18 mph.

36-Hole Cut: 80 players at 1-under 143 from a field of 141 professionals.

Second-Round Leaderboard

Tommy Fleetwood	65-67—132 (-12)
Rory McIlroy	67-65—132 (-12)
Jim Furyk	71-64—135 (-9)
Ian Poulter	69-66—135 (-9)
Brian Harman	66-69—135 (-9)
Abraham Ancer	69-66—135 (-9)

Things to Know

- Tommy Fleetwood earned his fourth 36-hole lead/co-lead with a 5-under 67 and is in search of his first PGA TOUR victory
- Rory McIlroy eagled the par-5 16th and birdied the par-3 17th to card a 7-under 65 and share the 36-hole lead
- Players from 11 countries have won THE PLAYERS, but none from England (Tommy Fleetwood/T1, Ian Poulter/T3) Northern Ireland (Rory McIlroy/T1) or Mexico (Abraham Ancer/T3)
- Jim Furyk recorded an 8-under 64 for his lowest 18-hole score in 80 career rounds at TPC Sawgrass
- Tiger Woods made a quadruple-bogey 7 at No. 17 for his highest score at that hole in 69 total rounds
- Sergio Garcia extended his record consecutive cuts-made streak at THE PLAYERS to 16

Second-Round Lead Notes

- 13 Second-round leaders/co-leaders to win THE PLAYERS
(most recent: Webb Simpson/2018)
- 10 Second-round leaders/co-leaders to win in 2018-19
(most recent: Keith Mitchell/The Honda Classic)

Comparing the co-leaders (entering the week)

	Tommy Fleetwood	Rory McIlroy
Age	28 (Jan. 19, 1991)	29 (May 4, 1989)
FedExCup	No. 59	No. 11
OWGR	No. 13	No. 6
Starts at THE PLAYERS	2	9
Top-10s at THE PLAYERS	1	3
PGA TOUR starts	46	155
PGA TOUR wins	0	14
Starts in 2018-19	5	6
Top-10s in 2018-19	2	5

Tommy Fleetwood (T1/-12)

- Holds fourth 36-hole lead/co-lead of PGA TOUR career

T1	2019 THE PLAYERS Championship	finish TBD
T1	2019 Arnold Palmer Invitational	T3
T1	2018 WGC-FedEx St. Jude Invitational	T14
T1	2017 U.S. Open	4 th

- Sixth-consecutive round under par at THE PLAYERS
- Making third start at THE PLAYERS; tied for seventh in 2018
- Would become the third player to make THE PLAYERS his first PGA TOUR victory (Craig Perks/2002, Tim Clark/2010)
- Highest-ranked player in the OWGR without a win on the PGA TOUR (No. 13)
- Runner-up results in PGA TOUR career: 2017 WGC-Mexico Championship, 2018 U.S. Open

Rory McIlroy (T1/-12)

- Ninth 36-hole lead/co-lead of PGA TOUR career; won four of eight entering the week; last held a 36-hole lead/co-lead at the 2017 WGC-Mexico Championship
- Sixth time in the last 10 rounds he's finished in the top 2 on the leaderboard
- Recorded four consecutive top-15s from 2013 to 2016 at THE PLAYERS (T8/2013, T6/2014, T8/2015, T12/2016); coming off a missed cut in 2018
- Top-10s in five of six starts this season; runner up at the WGC-Mexico Championship represents his top result
- Leads the field in par-3 scoring this week at 3-under; birdied No. 17 in the first two rounds

Jim Furyk (T3/-9)

- Second-round 64 marks low 18-hole score in 80 rounds at TPC Sawgrass; previous low was 65 (R1/2006)
- 36-hole total of 9-under 135 is his best in 23 starts; first score in the 60s at THE PLAYERS since R4/2014 (66)
- Four top-10s in 22 previous starts includes runner-up result in 2014
- Marks his 215th bogey-free round on TOUR, the most of any player since 1992
- Hit every fairway in a round for the 43rd time in his career
- Two top-10s in six starts during 2018-19 season (T6/Mayakoba Golf Classic, T9/The Honda Classic)

Abraham Ancer (T3/-9)

- One of 22 first-time participants in the field; two players have won THE PLAYERS in their first appearance, not including the inaugural event (Hal Sutton/1983, Craig Perks/2002)
- Best finish in 61 career PGA TOUR events: T4 (2018 Quicken Loans National, 2018 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open)
- First time carding back-to-back rounds in the 60s since rounds one and two at the Desert Classic

Ian Poulter (T3/-9)

- 6-under 66 marks his best round at THE PLAYERS since a 65 in R1/2012
- Ninth consecutive round under par and fifth straight round in the 60s at THE PLAYERS
- One of eight players with two runner-up finishes at THE PLAYERS (2009, 2017)

Brian Harman (T3/-9)

- One top-10 result in seven previous starts at THE PLAYERS (T8/2015)
- Two-time PGA TOUR winner has yet to finish inside the top 25 in 11 starts during 2018-19 season (best finish: T32/The RSM Classic)
- Only three left-handed players have finished inside the top-10 at THE PLAYERS (Phil Mickelson, Greg Chalmers, Russ Cochran)

Tiger Woods (T39/-3)

- Quadruple-bogey 7 at No. 17 is his highest score on that hole; made double bogey on four previous occasions, including the final round in 2018
- Entering the second round, Woods had four total water balls at the No. 17 in 68 total rounds and owned an all-time score of 11-over par

Miscellaneous notes

- **Sergio Garcia** (T20) extended his record consecutive cuts-made streak at THE PLAYERS to 16
- With a 69 in round two, **Rory Sabbatini** (T10) recorded his 10th consecutive under-par round at THE PLAYERS, which stands as the longest active streak
- **Brian Gay's** 11 strokes over holes 15-18 (birdie-eagle-birdie-birdie) tied the best score in that four-hole stretch (Rickie Fowler/2015/R4)
- 18-hole co-leader **Keegan Bradley** (T17) carded a 1-over 73
- **Sungjae Im** aced the 152-yard 13th hole with an 8-iron for his first hole-in-one on TOUR; marks the first time multiple holes-in-one have been made in the same tournament since 2013
- **Jordan Spieth** missed the cut for the fourth time in five years with rounds of 76-69; led the field in Strokes Gained: Putting (5.164) in round two and made 113' 9" of putts
- **Phil Mickelson** carded rounds of 74-74 and missed the cut for the sixth time in the last seven years
- Defending champion **Webb Simpson** carded rounds of 70-70 and sits T29 through two rounds

- **Cameron Champ** (back) withdrew after eight holes in round two

Balls in the water at No. 17 (since 2003)

Year	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
2019	14	6	-	-	14
2018	24	21	6	3	54
2017	19	29	10	11	69
2016	6	9	17	4	36
2015	21	16	3	5	45
2014	12	12	1	3	28
2013	15	9	7	13	44
2012	18	11	4	6	39
2011	12	14	8	6	40
2010	7	8	5	9	29
2009	16	6	4	6	32
2008	20	18	10	16	64
2007	50	21	10	12	93
2006	19	17	12	9	57
2005	7	8	25	28	68
2004	9	10	4	7	30
2003	6	10	3	10	29

Morgan Stanley Eagles for Impact Challenge

As part of its Eagles for Impact Challenge, Morgan Stanley will donate 1,500 books for every eagle made at THE PLAYERS to Book Trust—an early literacy non-profit that works to encourage students to become lifelong readers and learners—with the goal of providing students with greater access to books. Here’s a breakdown of eagles made and books donated:

Round	Eagles	Books
R1	22	33,000
R2	17	25,500
Total		58,500

Billy Horschel – Feeding Northeast Florida

Ponte Vedra Beach resident Billy Horschel will donate \$1,000 for every birdie and \$5,000 for every eagle he makes at THE PLAYERS 2019 to Feeding Northeast Florida, a community food bank that connects millions of pounds of rescued food to a network of over 150 social service agencies and programs. Just \$1 can provide six meals for those in need. Horschel is encouraging fans and supporters to join the campaign by going to www.feedingnefl.org, clicking on “take action,” choosing “Billy Horschel’s #DriveOutHunger Campaign” and then selecting their donation amount.

Round	Birdies	Eagles	Total Donation
R1	4	0	\$4,000
R2	4	0	\$4,000
Total			\$8,000

Bogey-free rounds

R1 (6): Tommy Fleetwood (65), Vaughn Taylor (67), Rory McIlroy (67), HaoTong Li (69), Rory Sabbatini (68), Kyle Stanley (68)
R2 (4): Martin Trainer (69), Jason Kokrak (68), Scott Piercy (68), Jim Furyk (64)

Course Statistics

	Front Nine	Back Nine	Total	Cumulative
R1	36.517	35.287	71.804	
R2	36.057	35.291	71.348	71.576
	Early	Late		
R1	71.51	72.10		
R2	71.03	71.66		