



2019 World Golf Championships-FedEx St. Jude Invitational
 (The 41st of 46 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Memphis, Tennessee
TPC Southwind

July 25-28, 2019
Par/Yards: 35-35—70/7,237

Purse: \$10,250,000 (\$1,745,000)
FedExCup: 550 (winner)

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, July 27, 2019

Weather: Mostly sunny, with a high of 89. Wind SSW 5-10 mph.

Third-Round Leaderboard

Rory Mcllroy	69-67-62—198 (-12)
Brooks Koepka	68-67-64—199 (-11)
Matthew Fitzpatrick	67-64-69—200 (-10)
Marc Leishman	69-69-63—201 (-9)
Alex Noren	66-69-66—201 (-9)
Jon Rahm	62-71-68—201 (-9)

Things to Know

- Rory Mcllroy birdies his last three holes to take the 54-hole lead after beginning the round five strokes back
- World No. 1 Brooks Koepka holes 134 feet, 9 inches of putts for a 64 to sit one back
- Mcllroy and Koepka will play together on Sunday on the PGA TOUR for the first time
- PGA TOUR Special Temporary member Matthew Fitzpatrick needs a win to become eligible for the FedExCup Playoffs, should he accept PGA TOUR membership
- At No. 136 in FedExCup standings, Alex Noren sits T4 in search of a FedExCup Playoffs berth
- Seven countries are represented in the top 10 (Australia, Denmark, England, Northern Ireland, Spain, Sweden, United States)

Rory Mcllroy entering the week

Age	30 (5/4/1989)
Country	Northern Ireland
FedExCup	3
OWGR	3
PGA TOUR starts	164
PGA TOUR wins	16
PGA TOUR top-10s	78
Starts in 2018-19	15
Wins in 2018-19	2
Top-10s in 2018-19	11

Rory Mcllroy (1st/-12)

- 2014 WGC-FedEx St. Jude Invitational champion birdied four of his last five holes, including a putt from 27 feet, 2 inches on the 18th hole for an 8-under 62, his second-lowest round of the season (61 - R4, RBC Canadian Open)
- Marks fifth career round on TOUR of 62 or better and third in his last 63 rounds, dating to the first round of the 2018 BMW Championship; won three of his last four events when shooting 62 or better in a round
- Holed 126 feet of putts in round three – his most in a round on TOUR this season – compared to just 69 feet, 10 inches in round two and 89 feet, 8 inches in round one
- Twelfth time holding the 54-hole lead/co-lead on the PGA TOUR; converted the victory seven times
- A win would mark the third time Mcllroy has won three or more times in a PGA TOUR season (4, 2012; 3, 2014)
- Leads the PGA TOUR in top-10 finishes with 11 in 15 starts during 2018-19 PGA TOUR Season

- In each of the last three years, the winner of the WGC-FedEx St. Jude Invitational entered the week No. 3 in the Official World Golf Ranking and third or better in the FedExCup standings. McIlroy is currently No. 3 in OWGR and third in FedExCup standings.
- Would become the third player to win a World Golf Championships event and THE PLAYERS in the same season, joining Tiger Woods (2001, 2013) and Jason Day (2016)
- Two-time World Golf Championships winner (2014 FedEx St. Jude Invitational, 2015 Dell Technologies Match Play)
- In one previous start at TPC Southwind, finished T7 in 2012
- In search of his fourth PGA TOUR victory when missing the cut in his previous start:

Tournament	MC in previous start
○ 2010 Wells Fargo Championship	2010 Masters Tournament
○ 2018 Arnold Palmer Invitational	2018 Valspar Championship
○ 2019 RBC Canadian Open	2019 the Memorial Tournament

Brooks Koepka (2nd/-11)

- World No. 1 and FedExCup leader made seven birdies to just one bogey for a 6-under 64 to sit one back of the lead
- Hit 17/18 greens after missing the 18th green; holed 134 feet, 9 inches of putts in round three
- Has come from behind in two of his six PGA TOUR victories (2015 Waste Management Phoenix Open, 2017 U.S. Open)
- Would become the fifth player to win a World Golf Championships event and a major in the same season, joining Tiger Woods (1999-2002, 2005-2008), Geoff Ogilvy (2006), Rory McIlroy (2014) and Dustin Johnson (2016)
- Has two top-10s in four starts in the WGC-FedEx St. Jude Invitational, highlighted by a solo-fifth in 2018
- In search of first World Golf Championships title; previous-best finish: T2 (2017 HSBC Champions)
- In five starts at the FedEx St. Jude Classic, claimed top-5 finishes in 2015 (T3) and 2016 (T2)
- In search of first career three-win season on the PGA TOUR

Matthew Fitzpatrick (3rd/-10)

- 36-hole leader was 3-under through his first 11 holes before going 4-over from Nos. 12-15; rebounded with birdies on Nos. 16 and 17
- Following his runner-up finish at the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, accepted Special Temporary Membership to the PGA TOUR, allowing him to accept unlimited sponsor exemptions in his bid to finish inside the top 125 in the FedExCup and earn full membership for next season
- Needs a win to become eligible for the FedExCup Playoffs, should he accept PGA TOUR membership
- Making his third start in the WGC-FedEx St. Jude Invitational (T50/2017, T48/2018)
- Best finish in 14 World Golf Championships starts is T7 (2016 WGC-HSBC Champions)
- Has collected one top-10 finish in 13 starts on TOUR this season (2nd/Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by MasterCard)

Miscellaneous Notes

- **Marc Leishman** needed just 23 putts and played his final five holes in 5-under, including an eagle-birdie-birdie finish, to card a 7-under 63; sits T4 after beginning the round T22
- Sweden's **Alex Noren** closed with a back-nine 31 for a 4-under 66 to sit T4; entered the week 136th in the FedExCup standings and in search of his first top-10 of the season in 16 starts
- 18-hole leader **Jon Rahm** rebounded from a 71 in round two with a 2-under 68 in round three; eagled the par-5 third hole and birdied two of his last four to sit 9-under, T4
- Defending champion **Justin Thomas** (T10) bogeyed his final two holes to finish with a 4-under 66 and sit at 7-under par, four strokes back; looking to become the event's first back-to-back winner since Tiger Woods in 2007
- 2016 champion **Dustin Johnson** (T25) birdied two of his last three holes to post his third-consecutive 1-under 69 and move to 3-under 207; the 2012 and 2018 FedEx St. Jude Classic winner has now played 21 of 23 rounds at TPC Southwind in par or better
- **Jon Rahm** and **Justin Thomas** both pledged to donate \$1,000 for every birdie and \$5,000 for every eagle made during the WGC-FedEx St. Jude Invitational to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Here are their totals through round three:

	Rahm	Thomas
R1:	8 birdies	4 birdies
R2:	3 birdies	4 birdies
R3:	4 birdies, 1 eagle	7 birdies
Total:	\$20,000	\$15,000

Course Statistics

	Toughest Hole	Easiest Hole
R1:	Par-4 12 th (4.270)	Par-5 16 th (4.270)
R2:	Par-4 7 th (4.317)	Par-5 16 th (4.444)
R3:	Par-4 5 th (4.159)	Par-5 16 th (4.540)

Scoring Averages

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	34.683	34.794	69.476	---
R2:	35.127	35.016	70.143	---
R3:	34.397	34.540	68.937	69.519

Bogey-free rounds

R1 (3): Jon Rahm (62), Thorbjorn Olesen (66), Matthew Fitzpatrick (67)

R2 (4): Jim Furyk (65), Kevin Na (66), Webb Simpson (66), Rory McIlroy (67)

R3 (4): Justin Harding (64), Tommy Fleetwood (65), Aaron Rai (66), Eddie Pepperell (66)