



2019 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open
(The 4th of 49 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Las Vegas, Nevada
TPC Summerlin

October 3-6, 2019
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,255

FedExCup points: 500 (winner)
Purse: \$7,000,000

First-Round Notes – Thursday, October 3, 2019

Weather: Sunny. High of 85. Wind SSW 6-12 mph.

First-Round Leaderboard

Nick Taylor	63 (-8)
Brian Harman	64 (-7)
Brian Gay	65 (-6)
Sam Ryder	65 (-6)
Phil Mickelson	65 (-6)
Brian Stuard	65 (-6)
Maverick McNealy	65 (-6)

Things to Know

- After hitting all 14 fairways in regulation, Nick Taylor leads for the first time after any of the first three rounds of a TOUR event
- Phil Mickelson, making his first start at the event since 2005, is two back after an opening-round 65
- Former UNLV golfer Adam Scott records a 66 in his tournament debut
- Defending champion Bryson DeChambeau opens with a 66 for the second year in a row
- Chase Koepka shoots 66, four shots better than brother and World No. 1 Brooks

Nick Taylor (1st/-8)

Age: 31 (April 14, 1988)

Turned professional: 2010

Entering the week

#26	FedExCup
#215	OWGR
5	Starts at Shriners Hospitals for Children Open
153	PGA TOUR starts
1	PGA TOUR win (2014 Sanderson Farms Championship)
10	Top-10s on PGA TOUR
3	PGA TOUR starts in 2019-20
1	Top-10 in 2019-20 (T10/Safeway Open)

- Equals career-low round on the PGA TOUR with an 8-under 63
- Hit all 14 fairways in regulation for the sixth time on TOUR (most recent: R2/2019 Travelers Championship)
- Marks the first time he has led after any of the first three rounds of a TOUR event
- Making his 141st start since his win at the 2014 Sanderson Farms Championship
- Has never missed a cut in five prior starts at this event, with a T25 in 2015 his best outing

Additional Player Notes

- **Brian Harman** (2nd) continued his solid play of late with an opening-round 7-under 64; two previous starts this season led to a T3 at A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier and T14 at the Sanderson Farms Championship
- World No. 1 **Brooks Koepka** (T85) posted a 1-under 70 in his 2019-20 PGA TOUR season debut; seeks his third top-4 finish in his last four starts at the event (2nd/2016, T4/2014); brother, **Chase**, posted a 5-under 66 in the first round
- 44-time PGA TOUR winner **Phil Mickelson** (T3), making his first start at the event since 2005, turned in a 6-under 65; in 12 prior starts at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, best finishes came in 2000 (2nd) and 1994 (T3)
- **Adam Scott** (T8), a member of the UNLV golf team from 1999-2000, carded a bogey-free 66 in his tournament debut

- Following a 5-under 66, defending champion **Bryson DeChambeau** (T8) moved to 30-under in his last six rounds at TPC Summerlin; seeking to join Jim Furyk (1998-99) as the only back-to-back winners at the event
- **Patrick Cantlay** (T8) posted 66 in bid for third consecutive top-two finish in the event (2017/win, 2018/runner-up)
- Monday qualifier **Dylan Wu** (T8) opened with a 5-under 66 in his PGA TOUR debut
- **Jack Trent** (T20), a junior on the UNLV golf team and competing as an amateur this week, recorded a 4-under 67; earned a spot into the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open by winning the Southern Highlands Collegiate in a three-hole playoff

Course Statistics

Toughest Hole

R1: Par-3 8th (3.208)

Easiest Hole

R1: Par-5 16th (4.389)

Scoring Averages

R1: 34.583 34.646 69.229 ---

	Early	Late
R1:	69.13	69.33

Bogey-free rounds

R1 (11): Nick Taylor (63), Brian Harman (64), Adam Schenk (66), Adam Scott (66), John Huh (66), Chase Koepka (66), Harry Higgs (67), Hideki Matsuyama (68), Andrew Putnam (68), Kevin Tway (68), C.T. Pan (68)