



2021 Waste Management Phoenix Open
(The 17th of 50 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Scottsdale, Arizona **February 4-7, 2021** **Purse: \$7,300,000 (\$1,314,000 winner)**
TPC Scottsdale **Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,261 yards** **500 FedExCup points to winner**

Third-Round Notes –Saturday, February 6, 2021

Weather: Sunny with a high of 72. Wind W 4-8 mph.

Third-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Name	Score
T1	Jordan Spieth	67-67-61—195 (-18)
T1	Xander Schauffele	66-64-65—195 (-18)
T3	Scottie Scheffler	67-65-66—198 (-15)
T3	Kyoung-Hun Lee	66-66-66—198 (-15)

Things to Know

- Jordan Spieth ties career-low score with 10-under 61, in position for 12th PGA TOUR win and first since 2017
- Spieth last played in a final group of the final round was with Xander Schauffele at the 2018 The Open Championship
- 36-hole leader and World No. 4 Xander Schauffele birdies four of last six holes to maintain a position at the top
- The final group on Sunday will feature three former PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year winners; Spieth/2013, Schauffele/2017, Scottie Scheffler/2020
- Scheffler birdies last two holes to move into the top five after back-to-back missed cuts this season
- Seeking his second career PGA TOUR title, Louis Oosthuizen ties career-low-round with a bogey-free 8-under 63
- PGA TOUR Special Temporary Member Will Zalatoris ties career-low score with 64, nears fifth top-10 finish of the season

Third-Round Lead Notes

- 61 Lowest R3 score (Johnny Miller/1970, Jordan Spieth/2021)
- 8 Third-round leaders/co-leaders of the Waste Management Phoenix Open to convert for the win since 2000 (most recent: Rickie Fowler/2019)
- 7 Third-round leaders/co-leaders to win in 2020-21, including each of the last two winners (Si Woo Kim/The American Express, Patrick Reed/Farmers Insurance Open)

Comparing the leaders (entering the week)

Category	Jordan Spieth	Xander Schauffele
Age	27 (7/27/1993)	27 (10/25/1993)
FedExCup	179	6
OWGR	92	4
Starts at WMPO	4	3
Wins at WMPO	0	0
Top-10s at WMPO	2	1
Career PGA TOUR starts	197	102
Career PGA TOUR wins	11	4
Career PGA TOUR top-10s	64	28
PGA TOUR starts in 2020-21	7	6
PGA TOUR wins in 2020-21	0	0
PGA TOUR top-10s in 2020-21	0	4

Jordan Spieth (T1/-18)

- With 10 birdies and no bogeys, posted a 10-under 61 to tie his career-low score (2015 John Deere Classic/R3/won)
- Ties the lowest third-round score in tournament history (Johnny Miller/1970)
- Last time playing in the final group of the final round on TOUR was at The Open Championship in 2018 when paired with Xander Schauffele
- Marks his first bogey-free round since round two of the 2020 ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP earlier this season
- Highlights from 125'7" of total made putts in round three include birdies from 36'8" at 16 and from 29'5" on 17
- When holding a share of the 54-hole lead/co-lead on the PGA TOUR, has converted for the win on nine of 16 previous occasions (most recent: 2017 The Open Championship)
- Prior to missed cuts in his last two Waste Management Phoenix Open starts (2018, 2020), finished inside the top 10 in his only other two starts (2015/T7 and 2017/T9)
- Seeks a 12th career PGA TOUR title and first since The Open Championship in 2017; a win Sunday would come 3 years, 6 months, 15 days since that most recent victory
- Best of three made cuts in seven previous starts this season is T38/THE CJ CUP @ SHADOW CREEK

Xander Schauffele (T1/-18)

- Overcame an early bogey at No. 2 with seven birdies, including four on his last six holes, to maintain at least a share of the lead for the second straight round
- Marks his fourth 54-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR; has been unable to convert for the win on previous three occasions, most recently at the 2020 Charles Schwab Challenge (T3)
- Making his fourth start at the event, 27-year-old has finished inside the top-20 in each appearance; 2020/T16, 2019/T10, 2018/T17
- Seeks his fifth career PGA TOUR title and first since the 2019 Sentry Tournament of Champions
- Has two runner-up finishes this season and seven overall since his last victory; most recently finished runner-up at last week's Farmers Insurance Open
- In six starts this season, owns four top-five finishes; 2nd/THE CJ CUP @ SHADOW CREEK, T2/Farmers Insurance Open, 5th/U.S. Open, T5/Sentry Tournament of Champions

Miscellaneous Notes

- **Scottie Scheffler (T3/-15)** birdied his last two holes to post a 5-under 66; comes off missed cuts in his last two starts at The American Express and last week's Farmers Insurance Open
- With an eagle-birdie finish on Nos. 17 and 18, **Kyung-Hoon Lee (T3/-15)** posted a third consecutive 5-under 66 this week; seeks his first career TOUR victory in his 70th start
- **Louis Oosthuizen (T5/-14)** tied his career-low score with a bogey-free 8-under 63 (2012 Deutsche Bank Championship/R3); in only previous Waste Management Phoenix Open start, finished third in 2017; seeks second career TOUR title (2010 The Open Championship)
- Following back-to-back third-place finishes in the event in 2019 and 2020, **Justin Thomas (T5/-14)** posted a bogey-free 7-under 64
- 2015 Waste Management Phoenix Open champion **Brooks Koepka (T7/-13)** birdied five of his last six holes to post a 5-under 66 for the second round in a row.
- Coming off his fourth top-10 finish of the season at last week's Farmers Insurance Open (T7), PGA TOUR Special Temporary Member and World No. 53 **Will Zalatoris (T10/-12)** tied career-low score with a 7-under 64
- With a 7-under 29 on his outgoing nine holes (Nos. 10-18), **Russell Henley (T16/-10)** tied the low back-nine score at TPC Scottsdale and his career-low 9-hole score; played his inward nine in 1-over for a 6-under 65 to reach 10-under 203
- Defending champion **Webb Simpson** is T36 at 6-under 207

Course Statistics

Toughest Hole	Easiest Hole
R1: Par-4 11 th (4.341)	Par-5 13 th (4.515)
R2: Par-4 11 th (4.106)	Par-5 3 rd (4.500)
R3: Par-4 11 th (4.152)	Par-5 13 th (4.273)

Scoring Averages at TPC Scottsdale:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	34.568	35.795	70.364	--
R2:	34.364	34.773	69.136	69.750
R3:	34.227	34.621	68.848	69.570

Bogey-free rounds:

R1 (7): Matthew NeSmith (63), Mark Hubbard (63), Nate Lashley (64), Adam Hadwin (67), Andrew Putnam (67),

Ryan Armour (68), Cameron Champ (68)

R2 (14): Xander Schauffele (64), Webb Simpson (65), Si Woo Kim (66), Davis Riley (66), James Hahn (67), Bo Van Pelt, (67) Gary Woodland (67), Nick Hardy (67), Luke List (67), Hideki Matsuyama (67), Adam Long (68), Andrew Putnam (69), Nick Taylor (70)

R3 (8): Jordan Spieth (61), Louis Oosthuizen (63), Justin Thomas (64), Will Zalatoris (64), Brendon Todd (65), James Hahn (66), Henrik Norlander (67), Andrew Putnam (67)