



2026 PLAYERS Championship
(10th of 34 FedExCup Regular Season events)

Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida
TPC Sawgrass (THE PLAYERS Stadium Course)

March 12-15, 2026
Par/Yards: 36-36 – 72/7,352

FedExCup points: 750 (winner)
Purse: \$25 million/\$4.5 million

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, March 14, 2026

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 74. Winds E/NE at 10-16 mph.

Third-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	Total
1	Ludvig Åberg	69	63	71	203 (-13)
2	Michael Thorbjornsen	74	65	67	206 (-10)
3	Cameron Young	68	67	72	207 (-9)
T4	<i>Six players tied</i>				208 (-8)

Ludvig Åberg (1st/-13)

- 26-year-old seeks his third career PGA TOUR victory in his 62nd start (2023 RSM Classic, 2025 Genesis Invitational)
- Third 54-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR (1-for-2); won the 2023 RSM Classic, finished T4 at the 2024 Genesis Scottish Open
- His three-stroke lead is the largest 54-hole lead at THE PLAYERS Championship since 2018 (Webb Simpson/7 strokes)
- Matched the most eagles by a player in a single PLAYERS Championship (3), the 18th instance all-time at THE PLAYERS; his second time making three eagles in a PGA TOUR event (previous instance: 2024 PLAYERS Championship)
- Would become the youngest winner of THE PLAYERS since 2017 at 26 years, 4 months, 15 days (Si Woo Kim/21 years, 10 months, 16 days)
- Making his third appearance at THE PLAYERS; finished solo eighth in his debut in 2024 and missed the cut in 2025
- Looks to become the 17th international player (19th instance) to win THE PLAYERS Championship (most recent: Rory McIlroy/2025/Northern Ireland)
- Looks to become the second player from Sweden to win THE PLAYERS Championship (Henrik Stenson/2009)
- Would be the 30th win on TOUR by a player from Sweden; currently one of 11 players from Sweden to win on TOUR; his two wins rank T5 among Swedish players, one behind Jonas Blixt (4th/3)
- Leads the field in Strokes Gained: Tee to Green (11.226), driving distance (301.3) and proximity to hole on approach (28'7")
- Making his sixth start of the 2026 season, he has one top-10 finish (T3/Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard)

Michael Thorbjornsen (2nd/-10)

- 24-year-old seeks his first win on TOUR in his 52nd start (best finish: T2/2024 John Deere Classic, T2/2025 Corales Puntacana Championship)
- Looks to become the third player to make THE PLAYERS his first win on TOUR (Craig Perks/2002, Tim Clark/2010)
- Looks to become the fourth player to win THE PLAYERS in his first appearance (Jack Nicklaus/1974, Craig Perks/2002, Hal Sutton/1983); is one of 15 first-timers in the field this week
- With a win on Sunday, he would become the third-youngest winner in PLAYERS Championship history at 24 years, 5 months, 27 days, behind Si Woo Kim (21 years, 10 months, 16 days) and Adam Scott (23 years, 8 months, 12 days)
- Opened with 74 on Thursday; would be the high start by a winner of THE PLAYERS Championship (73/Hal Sutton/1983)

Miscellaneous Notes

- Despite closing with double bogey-6 on No. 18, **Cameron Young** enters the final round in third at 9-under; seeks his second win on TOUR (2025 Wyndham Championship); entered the week with back-to-back top-10 finishes (T7/The Genesis Invitational, T3/Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard)
- Making his second start of the 2026 season since returning from back surgery in November, 2021 PLAYERS Champion **Justin Thomas** (T4/-8) looks to become the ninth multi-time winner of THE PLAYERS Championship (3/Jack Nicklaus, 2/Fred Couples, 2/Steve Elkington, 2/Hal Sutton, 2/Davis Love III, 2/Tiger Woods, 2/Scottie Scheffler, 2/Rory McIlroy)
- **Robert MacIntyre** cards the low round of the day with 7-under 65 to move from T42 to T10 on the leaderboard
- Two-time PLAYERS Champion (2023, 2024) and World No. 1 **Scottie Scheffler** (T26/-4) posts bogey-free 67, his 11th round in the 60s in 21 rounds at THE PLAYERS Championship and first time breaking par this week after opening 72-73

- Making his 24th consecutive appearance at THE PLAYERS, the longest active streak, 2004 champion **Adam Scott** (T43/-1) recorded his 24th birdie on No. 17, the second-most all-time (26/Bernhard Langer)