



**2019 Bermuda Open**  
*(9<sup>th</sup> of 49 events in the 2019-20 PGA TOUR Season)*

Southampton, Bermuda  
 Port Royal Golf Course

October 31 - November 3, 2019  
 Par/Yards: 36-35—71/6,828

Purse: \$3,000,000

**Second-Round Notes – Friday, November 1, 2019**

*Weather: Partly cloudy, with a high of 78. Wind SE 10-18 mph.*

**Second-Round Leaderboard**

Harry Higgs                    66-65—131 (-11)  
 Brendon Todd                68-63—131 (-11)  
 Scottie Scheffler            62-69—131 (-11)

**Cut:** 67 professionals at 2-under 140 from a field of 118 professionals and two amateurs

**Things to Know**

- First-year PGA TOUR event represents the PGA TOUR's first official event in Bermuda
- Ninth of a record 11 official FedExCup events contested in the fall portion of the 2019-20 season
- Co-leaders Harry Higgs (65) and Brendon Todd (63) shoot (or tie) career-low scores in round two, while Scottie Scheffler (62) notched his career low in round one
- Higgs is the only player bogey-free through 36 holes
- Two of the three co-leaders are PGA TOUR rookies; Last rookie to win on TOUR – Collin Morikawa/2019 Barracuda Championship

**Comparing the top three (entering the week)**

Category	Scottie Scheffler	Harry Higgs	Brendon Todd
Age	23 (6/21/1996)	27 (12/04/1991)	34 (07/22/1985)
FedExCup	36	83	154
OWGR	86	166	525
PGA TOUR starts	15	5	176
PGA TOUR wins	0	0	1
PGA TOUR top-10s	1	0	12

**Harry Higgs (-11/T1)**

- New Jersey native and SMU graduate is making his sixth PGA TOUR start after earning membership by finishing No. 5 on the Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season points list, entering the 2019-20 PGA TOUR Season sixth in the final priority ranking
- Made 18 cuts in 22 starts on the Korn Ferry Tour in 2019, including a win at the Price Cutter Charity Championship
- In 2018, won the Diners Club Peru Open on PGA TOUR Latinoamerica and went on to earn Player of the Year honors. With a win this week, would join Ted Purdy, Fabian Gomez, Emiliano Grillo, Martin Trainer, Nate Lashley and Lanto Griffin as winners on PGA TOUR Lationamerica, Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR
- PGA TOUR rookie holds lead/co-lead for the first time on PGA TOUR after any round
- 6-under 65 marks his career-low on TOUR
- Only player bogey-free through 36 holes
- Was college teammate at SMU with Bryson DeChambeau

**Brendon Todd (-11/T1)**

- With no full status the last three seasons, the 2014 AT&T Byron Nelson champion regained his PGA TOUR card after finishing No. 8 on the Korn Ferry Tour Finals points list and 15<sup>th</sup> in the final priority ranking
- Missed the cut in his first four starts this season before finishing T28 at the Houston Open in his most recent start

- Posted eight birdies, including four in a row to close his round, en route to a bogey-free 63 to tie his career-low round (3 previous times, most recent 2015 BMW Championship/R2)
- Holds 36-hole lead/co-lead for the second time on TOUR (2014 AT&T Byron Nelson/Won)
- Most recent top-10 result was T6 at the 2015 A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier

### Scottie Scheffler (-11/T1)

- 2019 Korn Ferry Tour Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year followed his career-low opening round 62 with a 2-under 69 that included three back-nine bogeys
- Holds 36-hole lead/co-lead for the second time on TOUR (2019 A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier/T7); Previous 36-hole co-lead was also a three-way tie (with Robby Shelton and eventual winner Joaquin Niemann)
- Hit 7/14 fairways, 11/18 greens and need 27 putts in round two, compared to 10/14 fairways, 15/18 greens and 27 putts in round one
- PGA TOUR rookie is making his fifth start of the season and 16<sup>th</sup> overall on the PGA TOUR. Seeks his second top-10 finish
- Earned the year-end distinctions on the 2019 Korn Ferry Tour by virtue of two wins (Evans Scholars Invitational, Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship) and eight additional top-10s
- Dallas, Texas native played collegiate golf at the University of Texas with three others in this week's field: Beau Hossler (T8), Kramer Hickok (T27) and Doug Ghim (MC)

### Additional Notes

- Three-time PGA TOUR winner **Boo Weekley** (-10/T4) seeks his first victory since the 2013 Charles Schwab Challenge, which would be 6 years, 5 months, 8 days on Sunday – a span of 126 starts (including this week)
- 2017-18 PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year **Aaron Wise** (-10/T4) notched an eagle, six birdies and two bogeys en route to a 6-under 65. Wise's first PGA TOUR title at the 2018 AT&T Byron Nelson marked the 500<sup>th</sup> PGA TOUR victory by a Korn Ferry Tour graduate and he became the second player (Mackenzie Hughes) to win titles on the PGA TOUR, Korn Ferry Tour and Mackenzie Tour-PGA TOUR Canada
- **Wes Roach** (-10/T4) is making the fourth start of his fourth season on the PGA TOUR while seeking to improve on his best finish of 68 career TOUR starts (T3/2019 Rocket Mortgage Classic)
- **Russell Knox** (-9/7<sup>th</sup>) required 30 putts each round but hit 13 of 18 greens Friday after hitting 17 of 18 greens in round one
- **Fabian Gomez** (-6/T16) recorded two eagles (Nos. 2 and 17) en route to a 2-under 69
- FedExCup points leader **Lanto Griffin** (-5/T27), who claimed his first career PGA TOUR win at this season's Houston Open, posted seven birdies en route to a second-round 66 while trying to extend his lead in the RSM Birdies for Love program. The top three players who accumulate the most birdies (or better) in the fall, beginning with A Military Tribute at the Greenbrier, and concluding with The RSM Classic, will be awarded \$300,000, \$150,000 and \$50,000, respectively, for charitable donations to children- and/or family-focused charitable organizations of the players' choice
- **Patrick Fishburn** (-5/T27), the 2018 Player of the Year on the Mackenzie Tour-PGA TOUR Canada, advances to the weekend in his PGA TOUR debut. The BYU graduate, playing on a sponsor exemption, recently received a \$40,000 grant from the Tony Finau Foundation to assist his development in professional golf
- Last man in the field when Stephan Jaeger withdrew on Wednesday, **Roberto Diaz** (-2/T59) is making his first start of the 2019-20 PGA TOUR Season. Diaz will play on a sponsor exemption in his home country of Mexico at the Mayakoba Golf Classic in two weeks
- **Smylie Kaufman** (MC) followed a first-round 76 with a bogey-free 67, his first bogey-free round since round two at the 2017 PLAYERS Championship (67). It marks his seventh bogey-free round in 230 career rounds on TOUR
- Bermudians in the field: **Michael Sims** (72-70/MC), **Daniel Augustus IV** (73-74/MC), **Jarryd Dillas** (76-73/MC), **Kenny Leseur** (77-75/MC) and **Dwayne Pearman** (80-79/MC). Dillas and Leseur are the amateurs competing in this week's Bermuda Championship
- The par-3 16<sup>th</sup> signature hole at Port Royal played 234 yards, ranking as the second-most-difficult hole of the day, averaging 3.225. In the first round, the hole played 169 yards, averaging 3.008 to rank the ninth-most-difficult hole of the day

### Course Statistics

	<u>Toughest Hole</u>	<u>Easiest Hole</u>
<b>R1:</b>	Par-4 11 <sup>th</sup> (4.383)	Par-5 7 <sup>th</sup> (4.158)
<b>R2:</b>	Par-3 8 <sup>th</sup> (3.275)	Par 5 7 <sup>th</sup> (4.367)

### Scoring Averages

	<u>Front Nine</u>	<u>Back Nine</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>
<b>R1:</b>	35.025	35.275	70.300	--
<b>R2:</b>	35.108	35.125	70.233	70.267

**A.M. Scoring Average:** R1: 69.32 R2: 70.63

**P.M. Scoring Average:** R1: 71.28 R2: 69.83

**Bogey-Free Rounds**

**R1 (4):** Rob Oppenheim (64), Russell Knox (64), Harry Higgs (66), Robert Streb (68)

**R2 (6):** Brendon Todd (63), Harry Higgs (65), Parker McLachlin (67), Smylie Kaufman (67), Derek Ernst (69), Alex Cejka (70)