



## 116th U.S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP – ROUND THREE NOTES

### PLAYERS

- **Shane Lowry** is playing in his 14th major championship. He has been in the top 10 through 54 holes in a major once previously (T-5, 2015 U.S. Open).
- **Lowry** is ranked 41st in the Official World Golf Ranking. Angel Cabrera was also ranked 41st when he won the 2007 U.S. Open at Oakmont.
- **Lowry** assessed himself a one-stroke penalty on the 16th hole in the second round after his golf ball moved after he addressed it on the green.
- If **Lowry** wins, he would be the first player with a beard to win the U.S. Open.
- The **54-hole leader** has gone on to win the U.S. Open in 51 of the 115 championships. The last two winners led or held a share of the lead after 54 holes (Martin Kaymer, 2014 and Jordan Spieth, 2015).
- The last player with a **four-stroke lead** or larger entering the final round to not win a U.S. Open was Payne Stewart (four-stroke lead) in 1998.
- **Andrew Landry** is attempting to win the U.S. Open on his first attempt. Francis Ouimet (1913) was the last player to accomplish that feat.
- Only three players have won in their **major championship debut** in the past 103 years. (Ouimet, 1913 U.S. Open; Ben Curtis, 2003 Open Championship; Keegan Bradley, 2011 PGA Championship)
- **Landry** (No. 624) is the lowest-ranked player to be in the final pairing of the U.S. Open since Jason Gore (No. 818) in 2005.
- **Landry** is attempting to become the lowest-ranked player to win a major championship. The current record is owned by Ben Curtis (No. 396, 2003 Open Championship).
- No player has gone through local and sectional qualifying to win the U.S. Open since Orville Moody in 1969. **Landry** could be the third player to accomplish this feat joining Moody and Ken Venturi (1964).

- **Dustin Johnson** has been in the top 10 through 54 holes in seven of the last eight major championships. Note: He did not play in the 2014 PGA Championship.
  - 2014 U.S. Open T-4
  - 2014 Open Championship T-3
  - 2015 Masters T-5
  - 2015 U.S. Open T-1
  - 2015 Open Championship T-18
  - 2015 PGA Championship T-8
  - 2016 Masters T-5
  - 2016 U.S. Open T-2
  
- In nine U.S. Open appearances, **Johnson** has been in the top five after 54 holes four times.
  - 2010 1st
  - 2014 T-4
  - 2015 T-1
  - 2016 T-2
  
- **Johnson** is attempting to become the fifth player to win a U.S. Open the year after finishing runner-up. The others are Bob Jones (1922-23; 1925-26; 1929-30), Jack Nicklaus (1971-72), Stewart (1998-99) and Tiger Woods (2007-08).
  
- If **Lee Westwood** wins, he would be the third-oldest player (43 years old) to win his first major championship. Roberto de Vicenzo was 44 when he won the 1967 Open Championship and Jerry Barber was 45 when he won the 1961 PGA Championship.
  
- The two players in the field who entered this week with the most major championship starts without a win were **Westwood** (72) and **Sergio Garcia** (70). Through 54 holes, Westwood is T-4 and Garcia is T-7.
  
- If **Jason Day** were to win, it would be the largest 54-hole (Jack Fleck, nine strokes, 1955) and 18-hole (Arnold Palmer, seven strokes, 1960) comebacks in U.S. Open history.
  
- **Day** was tied for 100th through 18 holes. That would be the worst position by a champion in the last 100 years. Steve Jones was T-84 in the 1996 U.S. Open, Stewart was T-77 in the 1989 PGA Championship and Mark O'Meara was T-62 in the 1998 Open Championship.
  
- **Johnson** (T-2, 3-under 207), **Branden Grace** (6th, 1-under 209) and **Day** (T-9, 1-over 211) are in the top 10 through 54 holes for the second consecutive U.S. Open. Johnson, Grace and Day were tied for the lead with Jordan Spieth in 2015.
  
- No player in the current top eight has won a major championship and only four players in the current top 20 (**Day, Zach Johnson, Jason Dufner, Adam Scott**) have won a major championship.

## 17TH HOLE

- On the 17th hole, players have attempted to **drive the green** 257 times and laid back 106 times through 54 holes.
  - Those that went for it averaged 3.76 strokes.
  - Those that laid back averaged 4.08 strokes.
  - Ten percent of those who tried to drive the green were successful.
  - There have been six eagles on the 17th hole. That is more than the par-5 fourth and 12th holes (5) combined.

## PAST CHAMPIONS

- Twelve past champions were in the field this week. Five made the cut.
  - Jim Furyk                      2003                      T-21    71-68-74—213
  - Graeme McDowell    2010                      T-28    72-71-71—214
  - Jordan Spieth              2015                      T-28    72-72-70—214
  - Martin Kaymer            2014                      T-49    73-73-72—218
  - Angel Cabrera            2007                      T-49    70-76-72—218

## SUSPENSION OF PLAY

- Play was suspended at 8:49 p.m. EDT on Friday due to darkness with 25 players still on the course. Third-round play resumed at 7 a.m. and concluded at 8:24 a.m.
- The last time a third round of the U.S. Open did not finish on Saturday was in 2009.