



37th U.S. SENIOR OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP – ROUND THREE NOTES

PLAYERS

- This is the third consecutive event that **Miguel Angel Jimenez** has led heading into the final round. On the previous two occasions, he finished tied for third at the Senior Open Championship and runner-up last week in a playoff at the 3M Championship.
- This will be **Jimenez's** fourth time playing in the final group this year.
- **Jimenez** has finished fourth or better in six of his seven starts on the PGA Tour Champions this year. He finished tied for 17th last year at Del Paso Country Club in Sacramento, Calif., in his only other start in the U.S. Senior Open.
- If **Jimenez** wins the U.S. Senior Open, he would become the first USGA champion from Spain.
- **Jimenez** is attempting to join Bernhard Langer (2010), Roger Chapman (2012) and Colin Montgomerie (2014) as the only Europeans to win the U.S. Senior Open.
- **Gene Sauers** is attempting to join Roberto De Vincenzo (1980), Tom Weiskopf (1995), Don Pooley (2002), Peter Jacobsen (2004) and Olin Browne (2011) as the only players to make the U.S. Senior Open their first senior victory.
- This is the second time that **Sauers** has been in the final group in the final round of the U.S. Senior Open. He led after three rounds in 2014 at Oak Tree National in Edmond, Okla., where he finished runner-up in a playoff to Montgomerie.
- At 61 years old, **Loren Roberts** is attempting to become the oldest champion of the U.S. Senior Open by more than three years. Allen Doyle was 57 years, 11 months and 14 days when he won in 2006.
- **Roberts** has four top-10 finishes in the U.S. Senior Open, but none since a tie for fourth in 2009. He finished second in 2005, tied for eighth in 2006 and third in 2007.
- **Billy Mayfair** celebrated his 50th birthday on Aug. 6. If he wins, he would be the youngest champion of the U.S. Senior Open. The youngest U.S. Senior Open winner is Dale Douglass, who won at Scioto in 1986 at the age of 50 years, 3 months, 24 days.
- **Mayfair** is attempting to become the first player to win the U.S. Senior Open with a round of 75 or higher since Hale Irwin shot a 77 in the first round of the 1998 championship.



- **Michael Allen** is tied for sixth place after the third round. It is the fourth time in seven U.S. Senior Open starts that he has been in the top 10 after 54 holes.
- No competitors had a **bogey-free round** on Saturday.
- **Langer** and **Jimmy Carter** both holed their approach shots for eagle on the 390-yard, par-4 11th. Langer used a lob wedge from 76 yards while Carter used a pitching wedge from 140 yards. They join Philip Golding (first hole, first round), Gary Hallberg (10th hole, first round) and Kevin Sutherland (10th hole, second round) as competitors who have holed approach shots for eagle at Scioto this week.
- Two players are under par through 54 holes. That is the **fewest number of players under par through three rounds** in the U.S. Senior Open since there were two players under par in 2010 at Sahalee Country Club in Sammamish, Wash.
- There were only four sub-par rounds on Saturday (Jimenez, David Frost, Langer and Scott Dunlap). There have only been two U.S. Senior Opens with **fewer sub-par scores** in the third round, both with three: Riviera C.C. in 1998 and Oak Tree National in 2014.
- **Jimenez's** 3-under 207 is the **highest score in relation to par** to lead the U.S. Senior Open through three rounds since Isao Aoki was 2 under through 54 holes at Salem C.C. in Peabody, Mass., in 2001.
- **Statistical leaders** for the championship

○ Fairways hit	Vijay Singh, Fred Funk	35 of 42
○ Greens in regulation	Jimenez	40 of 54
○ Putts	Allen	76

PAST CHAMPIONS

- Seven **past champions** made the cut this week.

○ Bernhard Langer (2010)	T-6	73-70-69-212
○ Jeff Maggert (2015)	T-13	70-71-72-213
○ Olin Browne (2011)	T-18	70-71-74-215
○ Colin Montgomerie (2014)	T-18	72-71-72-215
○ Brad Bryant (2007)	T-51	71-75-76-222
○ Fred Funk (2009)	61st	71-73-81-225
○ Kenny Perry (2013)	WD	70-74-144
- The 2013 U.S. Senior Open champion, **Kenny Perry**, withdrew after playing nine holes in the third round, citing a back injury.



COURSE

- The par-5 sixth hole played to a lower stroke average (4.58) on Saturday than the par-4 eighth hole (4.63).
- For the third consecutive day, the par-5 sixth played as the easiest hole and the par-4 eighth played as the most difficult hole.
- In the third round, only one birdie was recorded on the eighth, 14th and 18th holes.