

US Open

He's back: Dustin Johnson tied for lead

Leaderboard

At Oakmont Country Club
Oakmont, Pa.
Purse: TBA (\$10 million in 2015)
Yardage: 7,254; Par: 70 (35-35)

Partial Second Round

Dustin Johnson	67-69	136
Scott Piercy	68-70	138
Sergio Garcia	68-70	138
Daniel Summerhays	74-65	139
Andy Sullivan	71-68	139
Lee Slattery	72-68	140
Jason Kokrak	71-70	141
Brendan Steele	71-71	142
Justin Thomas	73-69	142
Graeme McDowell	72-71	143
Brooks Koepka	75-69	144
Spencer Levin	73-72	145
Bill Haas	76-69	145
Chris Wood	75-70	145
Tim Wilkinson	71-75	146
Cameron Smith	71-75	146
Ryan Moore	74-72	146
Charley Hoffman	72-74	146
Billy Horschel	72-74	146
Tony Finau	72-75	147
Gary Stal	71-76	147
Kevin Tway	74-73	147
Geoff Ogilvy	71-76	147
Sebastian Soderberg	75-73	148
Jamie Donaldson	74-74	148
Soren Kjeldsen	73-76	149
William McGirt	75-74	149
Kant Bule	76-74	150
Anirban Lahiri	73-78	151
Brandt Snedeker	80-71	151
Webb Simpson	77-74	151
Thitiphun Chuayprakong	73-79	152
J.J. Henry	77-75	152
Alex Noren	74-78	152
Carlos Ortiz	76-76	152
Hideki Matsuyama	74-78	152
Billy Hurlley III	78-75	153
Jaco Van Zyl	75-78	153
Smylie Kaufman	77-76	153
Miguel Tabuena	74-80	154
Jeev Milkha Singh	76-79	155
Max Kieffer	77-78	155

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OAKMONT, Pa. — Dustin Johnson unleashed another powerful tee shot that got lost in the darkening sky over Oakmont. Positioned some 200 yards away on a forward tee, his caddie tried to track the flight of the ball until he gave up and said, “Where did it go?”

Like he even had to ask. One year after Johnson let the U.S. Open slip away from him at Chambers Bay, he drove his way to the top of the leaderboard Friday at Oakmont on a marathon day of 36 holes with rounds of 69-66 that left him poised for another shot at a major.

“I’ve got a good game plan for this course,” Johnson said. “And if I keep driving it like I am, I’ll be tough to beat.”

More than the long ball, Johnson has a short memory.

For all his chances in the majors — four of them and counting — he has the remarkable capacity to move on. The most crushing was last summer at Chambers Bay, when Johnson had



AP Photo/Charlie Riedel

Dustin Johnson lines up his putt on the seventh hole during the rain-delayed second round of the U.S. Open golf championship at Oakmont Country Club on Friday, June 17, 2016, in Oakmont, Pa.

a 12-foot eagle putt to win the U.S. Open and three-putted to finish one behind Jordan Spieth.

When asked if last year motivated him, Johnson deadpanned, “What happened last year.”

This year has been nothing short of impressive. Johnson played 27 holes

before making his only bogey in two rounds. He still hasn’t made a birdie on a par 5. And he was at 4-under 136, the best score by two shots of the 50 players who finished two rounds in the rain-delayed championship.

Andrew Landry had a much shorter day.

OTHER VIEWS

Open so messy Oakmont squirrel will need a makeover

This U.S. Open has become such a slog that by the time it’s over, the Oakmont Country Club logo will need a makeover. The suggestion here is swap out the squirrel holding a ball for a golfer waving a white flag.

The locals occasionally refer to the course as “Soakmont” and rarely has the moniker been more fitting than during Round 1, when fast-moving storms swept across the place in three powerful waves, the last one mercifully ending play Thursday after only nine golfers had completed 18 holes. That left a big disparity in how many holes golfers in the 156-man field had to play Friday.

Overnight leader Andrew Landry, for instance, got a full night’s sleep, then was back in place at 7:30 a.m. with nothing more strenuous



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than a 10-foot birdie putt to finish Round 1.

As he came through the gate early Friday, hundreds of spectators were still

lined up on Hulton Road, kept off the course until 8 a.m. while groundskeepers mopped up the mess left by overnight rain. So when Landry — a U.S. Open rookie ranked No. 624 in the world, no less — rolled in the putt to reach 4 under, Oakmont was almost empty.

Asked whether he’d ever made a birdie on the 18th hole and heard nothing, Landry wisecracked, “Yes, many times. It’s called the

mini-tours.”

But at least his work for the day was done. He’ll return early Saturday to play Round 2, and if he makes the cut, Landry can expect to tee off in the third round around 2 p.m.

On the other end of the spectrum was Dustin Johnson, who teed off for his first round at 8:36 a.m. Friday, part of a group of 78 players who didn’t set foot on the course a day earlier. He had just enough time to sign his Round 1 scorecard for a 67 before heading out for Round 2 in mid-afternoon.

Asked between rounds whether he had a game plan, Johnson said, “You know it’s going to be a long day. Still do everything exactly how you would if you were just playing 18.”

Granted, it’s not like these guys are carrying bricks in the hot sun. But by the end

of the day, after carding a 69 on his second 18-hole trip around Oakmont, Johnson had played 36 holes to Landry’s one putt — yet the two shared the perch at 4 under atop the leaderboard.

If the weatherman cooperates and the plan hatched by U.S. Golf Association schedule-makers runs smoothly, everyone in the field will have two rounds under their belt by around 2 p.m. and the 60 or so players who make the cut will begin Round 3 shortly after that. Whether the reduced field begins that round in threesomes, or goes off both the first 10th tees to make sure they can squeeze in 18 holes, remains to be seen.

In any case, the plan is to make Sunday’s final round — players going off as twosomes with everyone leaving off the first tee —

look like just about every other U.S. Open final round for the last 50 years.

Confused?

Don’t fret. So is just about everyone else at Oakmont.

Pro golfers are finicky and most are creatures of habit. The brutal rough and lightning-fast greens already had plenty of players fearing they’d be embarrassed or worse. A few get upset simply because their favorite brand of shampoo isn’t available in the locker room. Even for those who’ve made all the other adjustments required to contend, the impromptu schedule here has messed with their dining and sleeping routines.

Take Masters champion Bubba Watson. He finished his Round 1 on Friday at 1 under, then was told he’d begin Round 2 around 8 p.m. “I need 12 hours of sleep.

I get cranky,” Watson said. “I’m not going to get my 12 hours of sleep tonight.”

Fortunately, USGA officials changed course and moved Watson’s tee time to 8 a.m. Saturday. But whether he gets his full beauty rest may not matter. There’s scant evidence that a good night’s sleep is going to make a difference at Oakmont. One of the most interesting things about the chaos is that the golfers who teed off Thursday morning finished, on average, two shots higher than their counterparts by the time both halves of the field completed Round 1.

“It has just been a really, really long day on a really tough golf course,” said Lee Slattery, even after two rounds, speaking for most of the players in the field. “I’m going to sleep well tonight, that’s for sure.”

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a time of 14.43 which helped her to a 5th place finish in aggregate to advance onto Saturday’s championship round. Sorey completed the course in 14.49 seconds and finished 20th in aggregate.

Lauren Leyva continued the successful evening for Blue Mountain as she advanced out of the long go with a fourth place finish after a 6.6-second turn. Her performance, teamed with the barrel racers, helped the Blue Mountain women vault back into first place in the team standings with 300 points — just five points ahead of second place Gillette.

On the men’s side, Blue Mountain had just one competitor advance on Friday as J.T. Garland made the cut in steer wrestling. Garland stopped the clock at 10.3 seconds, which was his slowest time of the Finals, but quick times in the first two rounds helped him to a 10th place finish. Jared Parke missed the cut with a 14th place finish in steer wrestling.

Also competing on Friday were Tyler Potter in bareback riding and Jordan Tye/Jared Parke in team roping. Potter earned a 64.5 point ride and finished 27th overall, while Tye and Parke stopped the clock at 6.3 seconds for the fifth-best time of the round, however a slow second round pushed their aggregate scores to a 15th place finish.

Also missing the cut for BMCC was Kenny Haworth in bareback (19th), and Jordan Tye came one spot short of advancing with a 13th place finish in tie-down roping. The Blue Mountain men’s team did move up 12 spots in the team standings into 18th place with 150 points, and trail first place Feather River who leads with 710 points.

Hermiston native Michael Pederson, competing with Oregon State, missed the cut in tie-down roping with a 14th place finish.

The championship round kicks off today at 7 p.m. at the Casper Events Center.

MARINERS: Cano sets slugging record for AL second basemen

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Steve Cishek came in to end a threat by Boston in the ninth and picked up his 16th save.

The Mariners roughed up former teammate Roenis Elias (0-1) early in his first start for Boston, which acquired him in an offseason deal with Seattle. Elias threw 30 pitches in the first inning and was down 2-0 after just three of them.

Ketel Marte singled on the opening pitch, then Gutierrez hit a 1-0 changeup out to center for his sixth homer of the season.

Gutierrez led off the third with a shot to left that cleared the Green Monster and everything above it, then just missed a grand slam in the fourth with a three-run double to the base of the right-field wall that gave

the Mariners a 6-0 lead.

“So close from hitting the third one. It really was,” Servais said. “Obviously he was seeing the ball really good.”

Gutierrez scored on a single by Cano.

Mookie Betts and Dustin Pedroia drove in runs with a pair of sacrifice flies in the seventh for Boston to cut the lead to 8-4.

STREAKING CANO

Cano has multiple hits in seven of his last 10 games. He atoned for a base-running mistake in the fourth, when he tried to stretch a single into a double and was thrown out at second, with his 258th homer.

It was his 247th as a second baseman, which according to the Mariners broke a tie with Joe Gordon for the most by a second baseman in American League history.

“American League’s been around for a while. That’s a pretty big deal,” Servais said.

Jeff Kent holds the MLB record for homers by a second baseman with 351.

ON THE ROAD AGAIN

The Red Sox called up Elias from Triple-A Pawtucket earlier in the day, then sent him right back down after Friday night’s loss.

Manager John Farrell said Elias did a good job to steady himself after the rough start, but couldn’t overcome the damage done by Gutierrez.

“Gutierrez was the story tonight against him,” Farrell said.

TRAINER’S ROOM

Mariners: Placed LHP Wade Miley on the 15-day DL because of a left shoulder impingement and recalled RHP Jonathan Aro and LHP David

Rollins from Triple-A Tacoma.

Red Sox: Placed IF Josh Rutledge (left knee tendinitis) on the 15-day DL and recalled Elias from Triple-A Pawtucket. Farrell said Boston sent Elias and OF Rusney Castillo back to Triple-A after the game and planned to return Clay Buchholz to the starting lineup.

UP NEXT

Mariners: RHP Adrian Sampson is expected to make his major league debut in place of Miley. Sampson was with the Mariners but not on the active roster Friday night. Sampson is 7-4 with a 3.25 ERA in 13 starts at Triple-A Tacoma this season.

Red Sox: Rick Porcello (7-2, 3.81) tries to remain unbeaten in starts at Fenway Park this season. Porcello has a no-decision in each of his last four starts.

SCOREBOARD

Basketball

(47-16), 12 p.m. (ESPN)
Game 4 — Florida (52-14) vs. Coastal Carolina (49-16), 5 p.m. (ESPN2)

NBA

Playoff Glimpse

FINALS
(Best-of-7; xif necessary)
Golden State 3, Cleveland 3
(all games on ABC)
Thursday, June 2: Golden State 104, Cleveland 89
Sunday, June 5: Golden State 110, Cleveland 77
Wednesday, June 8: Cleveland 120, Golden State 90
Friday: Golden State 108, Cleveland 97
Monday, June 13: Cleveland 112, Golden State 97
Thursday, June 16: Cleveland 115, Golden State 102
Sunday, June 19: Cleveland at Golden State, 5 p.m.

WNBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	8	2	—
New York	7	4	636
Chicago	5	7	417 3½
Washington	5	7	417 3½
Indiana	5	7	417 3½
Connecticut	2	10	167 6½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	11	0	1000
Los Angeles	11	0	1000
Dallas	4	7	364
Phoenix	4	7	364
Seattle	4	8	333 7½
San Antonio	2	8	200 8½

Friday’s Games
Atlanta 101, Chicago 97 (OT)
Indiana 84, San Antonio 75
Los Angeles 77, Phoenix 71

Today’s Games
Atlanta at Washington, 4 p.m.
Dallas at Phoenix, 7 p.m.

Sunday’s Games
San Antonio at Connecticut, 10 a.m.
New York at Indiana, 11 a.m.
Minnesota at Seattle, 4 p.m.

Baseball

NCAA

College World Series
At TD Ameritrade Park Omaha
Omaha, Neb.

Today’s Games
Game 1 — Oklahoma State (41-20) vs. UC Santa Barbara (42-18-1), 12 p.m. (ESPN2)
Game 2 — Miami (50-12) vs. Arizona (44-21), 5 p.m. (ESPN2)
Sunday’s Games
Game 3 — Texas Tech (46-18) vs. TCU

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	38	28	576
Boston	37	29	561 1
Toronto	39	31	557 1
New York	33	34	493 5½
Tampa Bay	31	34	477 6½

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	36	30	545
Kansas City	36	31	537 ½
Detroit	34	33	507 2½
Chicago	33	34	493 3½
Minnesota	20	47	299 16½

West Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	43	25	632
Seattle	36	31	537 6½
Houston	32	36	471 11
Los Angeles	29	38	433 13½
Oakland	28	39	418 14½

Friday’s Games
Toronto 13, Baltimore 3
Cleveland 3, Chicago White Sox 2
San Francisco 5, Tampa Bay 1
Seattle 8, Boston 4
Cincinnati 4, Houston 2, 11 innings
N.Y. Yankees 8, Minnesota 2
Kansas City 10, Detroit 3
Texas 1, St. Louis 0
Oakland 3, L.A. Angels 2

Saturday’s Games
N.Y. Yankees (Pineda 3-7) at Minnesota (Nolasco 3-4), 11:10 a.m.
L.A. Angels (Linneccum 0-0) at Oakland (Neal 0-1), 1:05 p.m.
Seattle 1, Miley 6-3) at Boston (Porcello 7-2), 1:05 p.m.
Toronto (Dickey 4-7) at Baltimore (Gallardo 1-1), 1:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Reed 0-0) at Houston (Keuchel 3-9), 1:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Peavy 3-6) at Tampa Bay (Moore 3-4), 1:10 p.m.
Texas (Martinez 1-1) at St. Louis (Martinez 7-5), 1:15 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Rodon 2-6) at Cleveland (Salazar 7-3), 3:10 p.m.
Detroit (Bovd 6-1) at Kansas City (Volquez 6-6), 5:15 p.m.

Sunday’s Games
Chicago White Sox at Cleveland, 10:10 a.m.
San Francisco at Tampa Bay, 10:10 a.m.
Seattle at Boston, 10:35 a.m.
Toronto at Baltimore, 10:35 a.m.
Cincinnati at Houston, 11:10 a.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Minnesota, 11:10 a.m.
Detroit at Kansas City, 11:15 a.m.
Texas at St. Louis, 11:15 a.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

L.A. Angels at Oakland, 1:05 p.m.

East Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	43	25	632
New York	36	30	545 5½
Miami	35	32	522 7
Philadelphia	30	38	441 12½
Atlanta	21	46	313 21

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	45	20	692
St. Louis	35	31	530 10½
Pittsburgh	33	34	493 13
Milwaukee	31	37	456 15½
Cincinnati	27	41	397 19½

West Division

W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	42	26	618
Los Angeles	36	33	521 6½
Colorado	32	34	485 9
Arizona	30	39	435 12½
San Diego	27	42	391 15½

Friday’s Games
Chicago Cubs 6, Pittsburgh 0
Washington 7, San Diego 5
Atlanta 5, N.Y. Mets 1
Miami 5, Colorado 1
San Francisco 5, Tampa Bay 1
Cincinnati 4, Houston 2, 11 innings
Texas 1, St. Louis 0
Washington 7, San Diego 5
L.A. Dodgers 3, Milwaukee 2
Saturday’s Games
Arizona (Greinke 9-3) at Philadelphia (Eickhoff 4-8), 12:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Reed 0-0) at Houston (Keuchel 3-9), 1:10 p.m.
Colorado (Chatwood 8-4) at Miami (Chen 4-2), 1:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Peavy 3-6) at Tampa Bay (Moore 3-4), 1:10 p.m.
Texas (Martinez 1-1) at St. Louis (Martinez 7-5), 1:15 p.m.
Atlanta (Blair 0-4) at N.Y. Mets (Matz 7-3), 5:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Niese 6-3) at Chicago Cubs (Lester 8-3), 5:15 p.m.
Milwaukee (Anderson 4-6) at L.A. Dodgers (Bolsinger 1-4), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (Scherzer 8-4) at San Diego (Rea 3-3), 7:10 p.m.

Sunday’s Games
Atlanta at N.Y. Mets, 10:10 a.m.
Colorado at Miami, 10:10 a.m.
San Francisco at Tampa Bay, 10:10 a.m.
Arizona at Philadelphia, 10:35 a.m.
Cincinnati at Houston, 11:10 a.m.
Texas at St. Louis, 11:15 a.m.
Milwaukee at L.A. Dodgers, 1:10 p.m.
Washington at San Diego, 1:40 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs, 5:08 p.m.

W	L	Pct	GB
Vancouver (Blue Jays)	1	0	1000
Tri-City (Padres)	1	0	1000
Everett (Mariners)	0	1	000
Spokane (Rangers)	0	1	000

South Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Hillsboro (Dbacks)	1	0	1000
Eugene (Cubs)	1	0	1000
Boise (Rockies)	0	1	000
Salem-Keizer (Giants)	0	1	000

Friday’s Games
Vancouver 5, Spokane 3
Hillsboro 6, Salem-Keizer 5
Eugene 6, Boise 1
Everett at Tri-City, 10:15 p.m.

Saturday’s Games
Vancouver at Spokane, 6:30 p.m.
Hillsboro at Salem-Keizer, 6:35 p.m.
Boise at Eugene, 7:05 p.m.
Everett at Tri-City, 7:15 p.m.

Sunday’s Games
Vancouver at Spokane, 3:30 p.m.
Boise at Eugene, 5 p.m.
Hillsboro at Salem-Keizer, 5:05 p.m.
Everett at Tri-City, 7:15 p.m.

Soccer

Copa America

QUARTERFINALS
Thursday’s Game
At Seattle
United States 2, Ecuador 1

Friday’s Game
Peru 0, Colombia 0, Colombia advanced on penalty kicks 4-2

Today’s Games
Argentina vs. Venezuela, 4 p.m.
Mexico vs. Chile, 7 p.m.

SEMIFINALS
Tuesday, June 21
(At Houston)
United States vs. Argentina/Venezuela winner, 6 p.m.

Motorsports

NASCAR Sprint Cup

Points Standings
Through June 12

- Kevin Harvick, 526
- Kurt Busch, 496
- Brad Keselowski, 480
- Carl Edwards, 472
- Joey Logano, 455
- Chase Elliott, 453
- Jimmie Johnson, 443
- Martin Truex Jr., 433
- Kyle Busch, 417
- Matt Kenseth, 409
- Dale Earnhardt Jr., 383
- Austin Dillon, 381
- Denney Hamlin, 380
- Jamie McMurray, 374

Golf

Meijer Classic Scores
Friday
At Blythefield Country Club
Baltimore, Mich.
Purse: \$2 million
Yardage: 6,451; Par: 71
(a-amateur)

Second Round Leaders

Lexi Thompson	65-67	132
Alena Sharp	66-67	133
O BaeK	66-67	133
In Gee Chun	66-67	