



## Rapiscan Systems Classic

Fallen Oak | Biloxi, Mississippi | March 29-31, 2019

### Second-Round Notes

Saturday, March 30, 2019

**Course Setup:** Par 72 / 7,088 yards (R2: 73.829; Cumulative: 73.194)

**Weather:** Partly cloudy with a high of 73. Winds out of the SW at 8-15 mph.

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|     | Player           | To Par | Scores    |
|-----|------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1.  | Kevin Sutherland | -10    | 65-69—134 |
| 2.  | Marco Dawson     | -7     | 65-72—137 |
| T3. | Billy Andrade    | -5     | 71-68—139 |
| T3. | Fred Couples     | -5     | 69-70—139 |

#### Quick Links:

- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Final Round Tee Times](#) (10:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. PT)
- [PGATOURmedia.com](http://PGATOURmedia.com) (transcripts and other resources available for download)

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#### Kevin Sutherland, 65-69—134 (-10)

- Sutherland carded a second-round 3-under 69 to lead by three strokes entering the final round. It is the largest 36-hole lead in tournament history.
- At No. 9 in the [Charles Schwab Cup standings](#), Sutherland is the lowest-ranked player in the field who can take the lead. Four-week leader, Bernhard Langer stands \$236,800 ahead of Sutherland. Langer would need to finish in 58th place or lower for Sutherland to lead.
- It is the eighth time Sutherland has led/co-lead headed into the final round on PGA TOUR Champions. He has never converted a 36-hole lead into a victory.
- Sutherland is making his fifth start at the Rapiscan Systems Classic. His best finish was runner-up in 2015.
- This season, Sutherland has finished in the top 10 three times in five starts. His best was a T4 finish at the Chubb Classic.
- Sutherland won the 2017 Charles Schwab Cup Championship, owns nine runner-up finishes and 50 finishes in the top 10.

#### Second-Round Lead Notes

- This year's champions have come out of Sunday's final group three times.
- In the nine-year history of the Rapiscan Systems Classic, four 36-hole leaders have gone on to win the tournament.

- Prior to today's round, two-strokes was the largest 36-hole lead in tournament history (Scott Dunlap, 2016; Kevin Sutherland, 2015).
- The largest come-from-behind victory at the Rapiscan Systems Classic was by three strokes (Miguel Angel Jimenez, 2016; David Frost, 2015).

#### **Marco Dawson, 65-72—137 (-7)**

- Dawson carded an even-par 72 to add to his lowest round of the year in the opening round for a 7-under 137, three strokes behind leader Kevin Sutherland.
- It is the fifth time in his PGA TOUR Champions career he has entered the final round in second place. He has never converted that place into a victory.
- Dawson is making his third start at the Rapiscan Systems Classic. His best finish was T26 in 2016.
- This season, Dawson finished runner-up at the Oasis Championship and posted four finishes in the top 25.
- In six years on PGA TOUR Champions, Dawson owns two victories (2015 Cologuard Classic; 2015 The Senior Open Championship), three runner-up finishes and 28 finishes in the top 10.

#### **Billy Andrade, 71-68—139 (-5)**

- Andrade carded five birdies en route to a bogey-free round until he bogeyed the 18th hole to finish at 4-under 68, a career best at Fallen Oak.
- He shared the lowest round of the day with Mike Goodes (T5).
- In six starts at the Rapiscan Systems Classic, Andrade owns two runner-up finishes (2018, 2014) and a T7 finish in 2015.
- This season, Andrade has made four starts on Tour finishing in the top 25 two times (T25, Chubb Classic; T15, Hoag Classic)
- Andrade owns three victories, five runner-up finishes and 34 finishes in the top 10 on PGA TOUR Champions.

#### **Fred Couples, 69-70—139 (-5)**

- Couples opened with back-to-back birdies on the first two holes, but a triple-bogey on the fifth hole moved him down the leaderboard until he carded four more birdies to finish at 2-under 70 in a tie for third place.
- He is T5 in the field this week in putting (1.64 GIR).
- Couples is making his fifth appearance at the Rapiscan Systems Classic. He claimed the title in 2012 and has finished every year in the top 15.
- This year, Couples has made four starts on PGA TOUR Champions and finished each inside the top 20. His best came at the season-opening Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai (T5).
- Couples owns 13 victories, 12 runner-up finishes, and 66 top-10 finishes on PGA TOUR Champions.

#### **Other Notes**

- The field includes six members of the World Golf Hall of Fame:
  - **Fred Couples:** 5-under 139 (T3)
  - **Bernhard Langer:** 1-under 143 (T18)
  - **Colin Montgomerie:** 3-under 141 (T9)
  - **Larry Nelson:** 6-over 150 (T56)
  - **Mark O'Meara:** Even-par 144 (T23)
  - **Vijay Singh:** 3-under 141 (T9)
- The field includes six past champions of the Rapiscan Systems Classic. Should any of these players win, he would become the tournament's second repeat winner.
  - **Steve Stricker (2018):** 1-under 143 (T18)
  - **David Frost (2015):** 8-over 152 (T64)
  - **Jeff Maggert (2014):** 1-over 145 (T29)
  - **Michael Allen (2013):** 1-under 143 (T18)
  - **Fred Couples (2012):** 5-under 139 (T3)
  - **Tom Lehman (2011):** 2-over 146 (T37)

- **Kirk Triplett** withdrew after his 12th hole of the second round due to a hip injury.
- **Hal Sutton** withdrew after his after his second round due to a hip injury. He was 18-over through 36 holes.