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ROUND 3, SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER, 2022



Scott Jamieson signed for a bogey-free course record nine-under-par 63 to earn himself a three-stroke lead heading into the weekend of the Alfred Dunhill Championship at Leopard Creek.

Tinishing in the rain on the 18th on Friday, Jamieson played some of the best golf of his career in a tournament which he says is his favourite week of the year as he set the 36-hole lead at 13 under par.

"It was one of those days where almost everything clicked," said the Scottish professional. "It's a special place to hold the course record. It's also always nice to do so bogey-free. I love playing golf here." Jamieson was on form with his putter and had two stretches on both nines where he went on a

"I got on a run in the middle of the front nine

where I just kept holing every single putt and that was a nice feeling. To be five under on the front nine, I knew I was in really good shape. But you can't rest on your laurels here. You've got to keep the pedal down and thankfully I was able to make more birdies on the back nine. I also holed some crucial par putts which kept the momentum on my side. And I drove it a lot better today. I made some good swings and hit my targets. We had some rain so the greens were a bit softer as well. It was a good day for me." Frenchman David Ravetto and the English duo of Nathan Kimsey and Eddie Pepperell are Jamieson's nearest challengers on 10 under par.

Kimsey actually equalled the course record of 64 shortly before Jamieson broke it. Ravetto posted his second consecutive 67 of the week to remain in contention, and Pepperell signed for a Continues p.2



















The South Africans who are lined up on nine under par include MJ Daffue, Dean Burmester, Oliver Bekker and Dylan Mostert.

Burmester is certainly hoping for a collective push from his countrymen on the weekend. "I'm definitely in position to strike and I think a lot of the South Africans have done that, so hopefully we can all rally and keep this leopard trophy at home." And Jamieson is ready for that challenge.

"It's been a good first two rounds and it's only halfway in this tournament, but it's my favourite week of the year so I'm up for the challenge."

THE BIG PILOT.







Oosthuizen ready for weekend chase

ouis Oosthuizen heads into the weekend of the Alfred Dunhill Championship right in the hunt for the famous leopard trophy.

The 2010 Open champion made an incredible start to his second round as he birdied six of his first seven holes. He made a further two birdies in his round, and then two bogeys held him back as he signed for a 66 and a total of eight under par.

But Oosthuizen is happy with his progress for the first two days. "I'm here on the weekend so I'm happy. I love this place and golf course but every time this course still seems to get me. There are a few holes I'm still figuring out how to play. Since the changes the course is a lot harder around the greens and you need to know where not to hit it," he said.

Oosthuizen has twice finished second in the Alfred Dunhill Championship – in 2005 when Ernie Els won and then again in 2014 when Branden Grace triumphed.

"I love being back here. This is a tournament

that I will try and play every time if I can, especially with where I am now in my career." The South African has brought his whole family with him from the United States and said they're loving the experience.

"We took the kids out of school a little bit longer to come out here. We've been in the Kruger National Park a few times. We've seen buffalo, rhino and elephant so we need to still get the other two for the Big 5. But it's been great. We've gone in as a whole family and the kids have really enjoyed it. It's just a special place."

















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ALFRED DUNHILL CHAMPIONSHIP - DRAW FOR ROUND 3

Game	Time	Tee	Name	Country	Attachment	R1	R2
1	09:00	1	Joshua LEE	USA	Timuquana CC	71	69
			Kristian Krogh JOHANNESSEN	NOR	Drammen GK	68	72
2	09:10	1	Jaco AHLERS	RSA	Fancourt	67	73
			JJ SENEKAL	RSA	Stellenbosch GC	70	70
			Thriston LAWRENCE	RSA	Nelspruit GC	69	71
3	09:20	1	Joost LUITEN	NED	Bernardus Golf	69	70
			Ernie ELS	RSA		70	69
			Deon GERMISHUYS	RSA	Serengeti Estates	67	72
4	09:30	1	Adrian OTAEGUI	ESP	Goiburu Golf	70	69
			Daniel VAN TONDER	RSA	Serengeti Golf & Wildlife Estate	72	67
			James Hart DU PREEZ	RSA	Pretoria CC	70	69
5	09:40	1	Santiago TARRIO	ESP	Val de Rois	69	69
			Jaco PRINSLOO	RSA	Serengeti golf and wildlife estate	70	68
			Jorge CAMPILLO	ESP	Norba Club de Golf de Caceres	69	69
6	09:50	1	Ockie STRYDOM	RSA	Serengeti Golf & Wildlife Estate	68	70
			Alejandro CAÑIZARES	ESP	Real Club Valderrama	69	69
			JC RITCHIE	RSA	Serengeti Estates	72	66
7	10:00	1	Bryce EASTON	RSA	Hillside Golf Club	69	69
			Laurie CANTER	ENG	Cumberwell Park GC	68	69
			Branden GRACE	RSA	Fancourt G&CC	67	70
8	10:10	1	Wynand DINGLE	RSA	Silver Lakes CC	70	67
			Dale WHITNELL	ENG	Crondon Park	69	68
			Jayden SCHAPER	RSA	Ebotse Golf Estate	69	68
9	10:20	1	Darren FICHARDT	RSA	Centurion CC	67	70
			Ross FISHER	ENG		71	65
			Alexander KNAPPE	GER		68	68
10	10:30	1	Lukas NEMECZ	AUT	Murhof GC	66	70
			Louis OOSTHUIZEN	RSA	Albertinia Golf lub	70	66
			Dylan FRITTELLI	RSA	UT GC	70	66
11	10:40	1	Dylan MOSTERT	RSA	Modderfontein GC	70	65
			Oliver BEKKER	RSA	Stellenbosch GC	69	66
			Aaron COCKERILL	CAN	The Els Club Dubai	70	65
12	10:50	1	Dean BURMESTER	RSA	Mont Choisy Le Golf	65	70
			MJ DAFFUE	RSA	GC of Houston	69	66
			Eddie PEPPERELL	ENG	Frilford Heath GC	69	65
13	11:00	1	Nathan KIMSEY	ENG	Stoneham GC	70	64
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			David RAVETTO	FRA	RCF la boulle	67	67

Game	Time	Tee	Name	Country	Attachment	R1	R2
14	09:00	10	Erik VAN ROOYEN	RSA		69	72
			Tom MCKIBBIN	NIR	Galgorm Castle GC	68	73
15	09:10	10	Joachim B HANSEN	DEN	The Scandinavian	73	68
			Wilco NIENABER	RSA	Costaterra G&OC	68	73
			Shaun NORRIS	RSA	Silver Lakes CC	71	70
16	09:20	10	John AXELSEN	DEN	Smoerum GK	75	66
			George COETZEE	RSA	Pretoria CC	73	68
			Jacques BLAAUW	RSA	The Els Club Copperleaf	73	68
17	09:30	10	Christian MAAS (AM)	RSA	Pretoria CC	71	70
			Niklas Nørgaard MØLLER	DEN	Kokkedal GC	70	71
			Daniel BROWN	ENG	Romanby Golf Club	71	70
18	09:40	10	Gary HURLEY	IRL	Saadiyat Beach GC	73	68
			CJ DU PLESSIS	RSA	Silver Lake CC	72	70
			Matthew SOUTHGATE	ENG	Thorpe hall GC	71	71
19	09:50	10	Matthew BALDWIN	ENG	The Royal Birkdale GC	72	70
			Scott VINCENT	ZIM	Colorado GC	70	72
			Martin SIMONSEN	DEN	Aalborg GK	72	70
20	10:00	10	Jean HUGO	RSA	The Els Club, Cooperleaf	70	72
			Dan BRADBURY	ENG	Wakefield GC	74	68
			Christiaan BEZUIDENHOUT	RSA	Serengeti Wildlife & Golf Estate	70	72
21	10:10	10	Justin WALTERS	RSA	CC Johannesburg	72	70
			Jens FAHRBRING	SWE	Sollentuna GK	70	72
			Jovan REBULA	RSA	George GC	70	72
22	10:20	10	Grant FORREST	sco	The Renaissance Club	72	70
			Tobias EDÉN	SWE	Karlstad GC	68	74
			Kyle DE BEER (AM)	RSA	Port Elizabeth GC	72	70
23	10:30	10	Neil SCHIETEKAT	RSA	Royal Johannesburg and Kensington	70	72
			Luke JERLING	RSA	Royal Johannesburg and Kensington	70	72
			Sami VÄLIMÄKI	FIN	Nokia River Golf	74	69
24	10:40	10	Merrick BREMNER	RSA	Silver Lakes CC / Betway_za	78	65
			Marcel SIEM	GER	Heritage Mauritius	71	72
			Wil BESSELING	NED	Tetherow Bend Oregon	71	72
25	10:50	10	Adam BREEN	RSA		71	72
			Jbe KRUGER	RSA	Serengeti Estates	71	72
			Ryo HISATSUNE	JPN		71	72
26	11:00	10	Combrinck SMIT	RSA	Eshowe Hills Golf Estate	72	71
20			Chase HANNA	USA	Wolf Creek GC	74	69
			Nick BACHEM	GER	Marienburger GC	72	71





olfRSA amateur Christiaan Maas enjoyed a memorable Friday in which he played alongside Ernie Els and also played his way into the weekend of the Alfred Dunhill Championship.

With rounds of 71 and 70 Maas came through 36 holes on three under par. Fellow amateur Kyle de Beer is also through to the weekend on two under par.

"I'm looking forward to it," said Maas, who has

been in great form and challenged for the overall title in last week's Investec South African Open Championship before a disappointing final round.

"I'm very pleased to have made the cut here. I'll go out and make as many birdies as I can in the third round. I see everybody makes a lot of birdies in the beginning and I start a bit slowly and then have to fight back. So hopefully I can change that."

The experience of playing with Els also convinced Maas to keep his game as simple as possible.

"Playing with somebody like Ernie was an amazing experience. I learned a lot. It reminded me that you really don't have to do anything special. You just need to stay consistent. And if he maybe misses, it's very close. His short game was unbelievable to watch."





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