



# 2024 Wells Fargo Championship (21st of 36 events in the FedExCup Regular Season)

Charlotte, North Carolina May 9-12, 2024 FedExCup points: 700 (winner)

Quail Hollow Club Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,558 Purse: \$20 million (\$3.6 million/winner)

Second-Round Notes - Friday, May 10, 2024

**Weather:** Mostly cloudy. High of 80. Wind W/NW 5-20 mph. Preferred lies were in effect during the second round. The second round was suspended at 5:29 p.m. due to dangerous weather and resumed at 6:27 p.m. (58-minute suspension).

#### Second-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	Total
1	Xander Schauffele	64	67	131 (-11)
T2	Rory McIlroy	67	68	135 (-7)
T2	Jason Day	68	67	135 (-7)
T4	Taylor Moore	68	68	136 (-6)
T4	Sungjae Im	68	68	136 (-6)

## Xander Schauffele (1st/-11)

- Cards 4-under 67 to total 11-under 131 through 36 holes, tying the lowest opening 36-hole score in a Wells Fargo Championship at Quail Hollow Club (Jason Dufner/2019)
- Makes closing bogey at par-4 18th, leaving him one stroke shy of the 36-hole tournament scoring record (130/Jason Day/2022/TPC Potomac at Avenel Farm)
- Leads by four strokes, marking the largest 36-hole lead in tournament history (Bo Van Pelt/2006 and Jason Day/2022 held three-stroke leads through 36 holes; neither went on to win)
- Becomes the fourth player to lead by four strokes or more through 36 holes this season, joining Patrick Cantlay/The Genesis Invitational (5), Wyndham Clark/THE PLAYERS Championship (4) and Akshay Bhatia/Valero Texas Open (5); only Bhatia went on to win
- Sixth career 36-hole lead/co-lead (all outright leads) in individual stroke-play events, and first since a five-stroke lead at the 2022 Travelers Championship, which he converted into a two-stroke victory
- Is 1-for-5 to date converting 36-hole lead/co-lead into victory (does not have a result worse than T3 in any prior attempt)
- Also held the 36-hole lead/co-lead at the 2021 Olympic Men's Golf Competition (won gold medal) and the 2022 Zurich Classic of New Orleans with teammate Patrick Cantlay (went on to win)
- Would become the third 36-hole leader/co-leader to win the event (Tiger Woods/2007, Wyndham Clark/2023)
- Making fifth start at the Wells Fargo Championship, with a runner-up to Wyndham Clark in 2023; first-round 64 equaled his best score in 18 rounds at the event (2023/R3)
- Seven-time TOUR winner is in search of his first win since back-to-back starts at the 2022 Travelers Championship and 2022 Genesis Scottish Open
- Has seven top-10 finishes in 11 starts this season, second only to Scottie Scheffler's nine top-10 finishes
- Season-best T2 at THE PLAYERS Championship, finishing one behind Scheffler
- Extends his TOUR-leading consecutive made cuts streak to 46 (Scheffler second on the list with 35)

## Rory McIlroy (T2/-7)

- Three-time Wells Fargo Championship winner (2010, 2015, 2021) opens with back-to-back rounds in the 60s for the first time in 13 career appearances at the event
- Opens with consecutive under-par rounds at the Wells Fargo Championship for the second time and first since 2019 (66-70/finished T8)
- Cards bogey-free 3-under 68, one of two bogey-free rounds Friday (Stephan Jaeger/65)
- Trails Xander Schauffele by four strokes through 36 holes; overcame 36-hole deficits of nine strokes (2010), three strokes (2015), and two strokes (2021) in Wells Fargo Championship victories
- Best 36-hole position in an individual stroke-play event on TOUR for the first time since the 2023 Genesis Scottish Open (led by one stroke, went on to win by one stroke)
- Claimed his 25<sup>th</sup> career win at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans (with teammate Shane Lowry) in his most recent start, is seeking to win in consecutive starts for the first time since 2022 (TOUR Championship, THE CJ CUP in South Carolina)

#### Miscellaneous notes

- **Jason Day** (T2/-7), winner of the 2018 Wells Fargo Championship, leads the field in Strokes Gained: Around the Green and matches his season-best 36-hole position (T2/The Genesis Invitational/finished solo-ninth)
- Byeong Hun An (T7/-4) is the only player in the top 12 (T7 or better) that has not won on the PGA TOUR
- Last week's CJ CUP Byron Nelson winner **Taylor Pendrith** (T7/-4) cards 4-under 67 with a 5-under 30 on the front nine, tying lowest score on the front nine this week (Sam Burns/R2); qualified for the event via the Aon Swing 5 (No. 1 in the standings)
- Defending champion **Wyndham Clark** (T58/+4) records second consecutive 2-over 73; no player has ever successfully defended the event