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Pos.	Name	Scores
1	Mark Anderson	62-71-66-67 – 266 (-17)
2	Drew Weaver	69-69-65-67 – 270 (-13)
Т3	Doug Ghim	74-61-68-68 – 271 (-12)
Т3	Tyler McCumber	72-63-66-70 – 271 (-12)
T5	Three players tied	272 (-11)

Mark Anderson claims second Web.com Tour victory in Bogotá

BOGOTÁ, Colombia – Mark Anderson captured his first Web.com Tour title in nearly six years, winning the Country Club de Bogotá Championship on Sunday with a bogey-free 67. Anderson ran away from the field at 17-under par, one shot shy of the tournament scoring record relative to par. The four-stroke victory is the second of Anderson's career with his first title coming at the 2013 BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by SYNNEX Corporation.

"I'm just very happy right now. It couldn't have been a better week and I've always loved coming here," Anderson said. "The golf course is one of my favorites out here and to get off to a great start in the year really helps."

Anderson completed his third round Sunday morning with a 5-under 66 and held a two-stroke lead entering the final round. The former University of South Carolina golfer and PGA TOUR member played 27 holes on Sunday as the third round was postponed due to weather.

"The delay was tough. I got off to a really good start this morning which helped get the day going," Anderson said. "I played nine holes and had a couple hours to relax and tried to keep that same momentum going that I had earlier in the day. I played really solid golf and hit a lot of greens and didn't make any mistake which was key."

He began his fourth round with three straight pars before making birdies on Nos. 4, 5 and 8 to post a front-nine 32. A birdie on No. 10 got Anderson to 17-under where he never looked back, before closing with eight consecutive pars. Despite being in command in the final round, Anderson decided to do something he's never done during a round.

"For the first time in my life I decided to not look at a leaderboard," said Anderson. "I had an idea of where I was because of the crowds but I didn't know I was four shots clear until I stepped onto the 18th green."

Anderson has made over 60 starts on the PGA TOUR but owns just two top-10 finishes – a T9 at the 2012 Children's Miracle Network Classic and a T10 at the 2017 Puerto Rico Open. Anderson referenced the desire to get back to the TOUR that kept him grinding since his last victory.

"Belief kept me going, 2013 was my last win and I knew I could improve." said Anderson. "I've been on the PGA TOUR, but I've never stayed out there and that's the drive. I've really worked hard the last couple of years on being more consistent and just trying to get better, that's all my motivation."



This week was the second start of the season for Anderson who finished T25 at The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at the Abaco Club. With the win, Anderson earned 500 points and is now in a great position to earn his PGA TOUR card for the 2019-2020 season.

"It's my second tournament of the year so I'll take the win. I've always wanted to win early and see how it felt," said Anderson. "It certainly takes a little bit of pressure off and gives me a lot of confidence moving forward."

Anderson edged out Drew Weaver, who earned his career-best finish on the Web.com Tour with a solosecond at 13-under. Web.com Tour rookie Doug Ghim and 2018 Mackenzie Tour – PGA TOUR Canada Player of the Year Tyler McCumber finished T3 at 12-under. Derek Fathauer, Scottie Scheffler and Andrew Novak finished T5 at 11-under.

SUNDAY NOTES:

* Sunday's weather: Mostly sunny, high of 71, winds E/SE 6-12 mph.

- * This week's purse is \$700,000, with \$126,000 going to the champion.
- * Sunday marked a tournament record with 7,500 fans in attendance.
- * The final round began at 9:50 a.m. with groups teeing of Nos. 1 and 10.

* Mark Anderson became the sixth player in tournament history to win after leading or co-leading through three rounds.

* Anderson's second win comes five years, eight months and 15 days since his first Web.com Tour title.

* After an opening-round 74, Web.com Tour rookie Doug Ghim used rounds of 61, 68 and 68 to finish T3. Ghim's former University of Texas teammate and fellow rookie Scottie Scheffler finished T5.

* Defending champion Ben Taylor finished T18 with a 2-under 69 on Sunday.

* Derek Fathauer finished T5 and had the low round of the day with a 7-under 64 on Sunday.

* Sebastián Muñoz (T13) and Ricardo Celia (T25) were the only Colombians in the field to make the cut. Muñoz won the event in 2016.

* Eight former Mackenzie Tour – PGA TOUR Canada players finished inside the top 25 led by Drew Weaver who finished solo-second.

* The par-4 13th played as the most difficult hole throughout the tournament with a scoring average of 4.317. The hole recorded 78 bogeys and 16 double bogeys or worse.

* The par-5 eighth hole played as the easiest hole for the week with a scoring average of 4.609. Players converted 149 birdies and nine eagles throughout the week.

* Country Club de Bogotá Scoring Averages:

	Front	Back	Total	Cumulative
Fundadores				
R1	35.934	36.539	72.474	
R2	35.744	36.372	72.115	72.295



R3	34.582	36.005	70.588	71.726
R4	35.328	35.633	70.962	71.559
Pacos Y Fabios				
R1	34.692	34.064	68.756	
R2	34.405	34.108	68.515	68.635

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