



Charles Schwab Cup Championship

Phoenix Country Club | Phoenix, Arizona | November 6-8, 2020

First-Round Notes

Friday, November 6, 2020

Course Setup: Par 71 / 6,853 yards (R1 average: 69.778)

Weather: Mostly cloudy with a high of 92. Wind from the S at 8-16 mph.

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	Player	To Par	Scores
T1.	Paul Goydos	-7	32-32 – 64
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T3.	K.J. Choi	-6	33-32 – 65
T3.	Kevin Sutherland	-6	34-31 – 65
T3.	Mark Brooks	-6	36-29 – 65

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- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Second-round tee times](#) (Golf Channel coverage: 4-6:30 p.m. ET)
- [PGATOURmedia.com](#) (transcripts and other resources available for download)

Paul Goydos, 32-32 – 64 (-7)

- Goydos opened with a bogey-free 64, his fifth consecutive first-round score of 65 or better at this tournament. In 12 rounds at Phoenix Country Club, he has nine rounds in the 60s and a 67.17 average.
- He is the first-round leader/co-leader at this tournament for the fourth time in the last five years.

Year	R1 Score	R1 Place	Tournament Finish
2020	64 (-7)	T1	TBD
2019	65 (-6)	T3	T10
2018	63 (-8)	T1	7th
2017	64 (-7)	T1	T9
2016*	62 (-8)	1st	1st

**Played at Desert Mountain Club's Cochise Course*

- Four of his six first-round leads/co-leads have come at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship. The other two times were the 2015 DICK'S Sporting Goods Open (finished second) and 2015 TimberTech Championship (won).
- A five-time winner on PGA TOUR Champions, Goydos' last victory came at the 2017 3M Championship.
- His best finish of the season was third at the Dominion Energy Charity Classic and he's No. 43 in the Charles Schwab Cup.

Brandt Jobe, 33-31 – 64 (-7)

- Jobe's 7-under 64 is his second-best first-round score on PGA TOUR Champions. He opened with a 7-under 63 at the 2018 Sanford International en route to a T4 finish.
- This is Jobe's third first-round lead/co-lead on PGA TOUR Champions and first since the 2018 Sanford International.
- He is making his fifth start at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship and his best finish was T7 in 2017.
- Jobe has four top-10s this season (best: T4/Dominion Energy Charity Classic) and is 25th in the Schwab Cup.

K.J. Choi, 33-32 – 65 (-6)

- Making his sixth start on PGA TOUR Champions, Choi carded eight birdies in his first-round 65. All 16 of his rounds this year have been par or better and his average is 68.44.
- If Choi wins, he would be the record-breaking sixth rookie to win this season on PGA TOUR Champions, joining Shane Bertsch (T7/-4), Jim Furyk (T18/-3), Ernie Els (T18/-3), Brett Quigley (T63/+1) and Phil Mickelson (DNP).
- Choi is coming off a T6 finish at the Dominion Energy Charity Classic, his second top-10 of the season, and he's currently 38th in the Charles Schwab Cup.

Kevin Sutherland, 34-31 – 65 (-6)

- Sutherland hit 17 of 18 Greens in Regulation and opened with a 6-under 65, his seventh straight first-round score in the 60s. On the season, he's No. 2 on Tour in GIR (76.94%) and he has finished in the top five in that category each year since 2015.
- He has posted four straight top-10s at this tournament, including a win in 2017 on his way to winning the Charles Schwab Cup.
- He has eight top-10s on the season, including two third-place finishes, and is No. 7 in the Charles Schwab Cup.

Mark Brooks, 36-29 – 65 (-6)

- Brooks started on No. 10 and opened with a 6-under 29 on the back nine. He closed with an even-par 36 to post a 6-under 65, one shot off his career-best first-round score (last: 6-under 64 at 2019 Shaw Charity Classic).
- He is making his 202nd career start on PGA TOUR Champions. With his 803 starts on the PGA TOUR, Brooks is one of 22 players with 1,000 starts on the two tours combined.
- This is his second start at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship and first since he finished 29th in 2014 at Desert Mountain Club's Cochise Course.

Other Notes

- One week before they compete in Augusta, Masters champions **Mike Weir** (2003) and **Fred Couples** (1992) are T7 after first-round scores of 67. **Mark O'Meara**, winner of the 1998 Masters, is also T7 at 4-under.
- **Jim Furyk** and **Ernie Els** each shot 68 and are T18 at 3-under. Both players have won twice this season and are seeking to become the first rookie with at least three wins since Couples won four times in 2010.
- Five-time Charles Schwab Cup winner **Bernhard Langer** is T36 after a first-round 70. In 12 starts at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship, his best finish is runner-up (2013, 2015, 2016).
- At age 75, **Hale Irwin** bettered his age with a first-round 72. Winner of the 1998 Charles Schwab Cup Championship, Irwin is making his 15th start at the season finale and first since 2011.
- Defending champion **Jeff Maggert** opened with a 1-under 70 and is T36.
- Reigning Charles Schwab Cup champion **Scott McCarron** is T50 after a first-round 71.