





Charles Schwab Cup Series at Bass Pro Shops Big Cedar Lodge

Buffalo Ridge Golf Course | Ridgedale, Missouri | August 19-21, 2020

Final-Round Notes

Friday, August 21, 2020

Course Setup: Par 71 / 6,981 yards (R3: 70.321; Cumulative: 70.086)

Weather: Mostly sunny skies with a high of 87. Winds out of the E/SE 5-10 mph.

Summary: With a 25-foot eagle putt on the first playoff hole, Shane Bertsch defeated Bernhard Langer, Kenny Perry and Glen Day to secure the first win of his PGA TOUR Champions career at the Charles Schwab Cup Series at Bass Pro Shops Big Cedar Lodge. It marked the first four-man playoff on PGA TOUR Champions since the 2011 Songdo IBD Championship Presented by Korean Air, when Jay Don Blake defeated John Cook, Peter Senior and Mark O'Meara on the fifth extra hole.

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	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Shane Bertsch	-13	64-64-72-200
T2	Bernhard Langer	-13	68-64-68—200
T2	Kenny Perry	-13	67-65-68—200
T2	Glen Day	-13	67-67-66—200
T5	Vijay Singh	-12	67-66-68—201
T5	Tom Byrum	-12	68-70-63—201

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Shane Bertsch

- With an eagle on the first extra playoff hole, Bertsch captured his first victory in a PGA TOURsanctioned event since the Korn Ferry Tour's Rust-Oleum Championship in 2015 – a span of 5 years, 2 months and 7 days. He's the first Champions Tour player to win with a playoff eagle since Jeff Maggert at the 2019 Charles Schwab Cup Championship.
- With the victory and \$450,000 in earnings, the largest paycheck of his career, Bertsch moves from No.
 98 to No. 9 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings. He is the first Qualifying Tournament graduate to win in the immediate next season on PGA TOUR Champions since Ken Tanigawa at the 2018 PURE

Insurance Championship. Bertsch was the medalist at the 2019 Q-School, thanks to a 17-under 267 effort which delivered a one-shot victory over Thongchai Jaidee.

- Bertsch, who turned 50 on March 30, made his PGA TOUR Champions debut at The Ally Challenge, finishing T45 in the Tour's first Return to Golf event.
- The former Texas A&M golfer made 194 career starts on the PGA TOUR from 1993 through 2018, posting five top-10 finishes and just over \$2.5 million in earnings.
- Bertsch spent the vast majority of his pre-50 career on the Korn Ferry Tour, where he made 325 starts. He won three times during his career on the Korn Ferry Tour, including the 2005 BMW Charity Pro-Am, where he beat two-time Masters champion Bubba Watson by two shots. The 2005 season marked his career-best as he finished eighth on the money list with five top-10 finishes.
- As a junior growing up in Colorado, Bertsch was a top-10 tennis player before setting his sights in golf. At a national junior tournament one year in Denver, Bertsch drew eventual eight-time Grand Slam champion Andre Agassi in the first round, losing 6-0, 6-1.

Kenny Perry

- Perry came to the final hole with a one-shot lead at 14-under par, but his tee shot wound up against a rock wall and led to a closing bogey which left him at 13-under and in the four-man playoff.
- Perry was looking to secure the 11th win of his PGA TOUR Champions career and his first since capturing the 2018 3M Championship covering a span of 2 years and 16 days.
- Perry, who turned 60 on August 10, recorded the first top-10 of the 2020 season after he failed to record one in his first six starts. That drought was the first time in his 10-year PGA TOUR Champions career in which he failed to record a top-10 in his first six events of the year.
- Perry made four career starts in the Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge between 2014 and 2018, partnering with Russ Cochran in 2014 for a career-best T4 effort during the event's tenure in Missouri.
- Perry was the 2009 recipient of the Payne Stewart Award, presented annually by the PGA TOUR to a player whose values align with the character, charity and sportsmanship that Stewart showed. The 2020 award was presented to Zach Johnson on August 12.

Bernhard Langer

- With the T2 finish, Langer returns to the top of the Charles Schwab Cup standings with \$880,637 in season-long earnings.
- Langer, who will turn 63 on August 27, was looking to win an event in his tournament debut for the seventh time in his career. The World Golf Hall of Fame member has eight straight seasons with multiple victories, and already has one in 2020 (Cologuard Classic). Hale Irwin owns the Tour record with 11 straight multi-win seasons.
- The T2 finish marked the 36th runner-up effort of Langer's Champions Tour career. All told, in 263 career starts, he has now finished inside the top-three 38 percent of the time.

Glen Day

- Day's T2 finish matched his best on PGA TOUR Champions (2020 Hoag Classic, 2018 Principal Charity Classic). He is still looking for his first win in a TOUR-sanctioned event since capturing the 1999 RBC Heritage in a playoff over Payne Stewart and Jeff Sluman.
- Day has now had four top-10s in seven starts this year and moved to No. 10 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings.

Other Notes

- With six birdies and an eagle at the 521-yard par-5 eighth, Tom Byrum shot a course-record 63 in the final round to move 22 spots up the leaderboard to finish T5. Byrum matched the best score of his PGA TOUR Champions career (2019 Shaw Charity Classic) and currently sits at No. 30 in Charles Schwab Cup standings.
- World Golf Hall of Fame member Vijay Singh finished T5 at 12-under 201. The finish marked his individual best on Tour since winning the 2018 Charles Schwab Cup Championship. Singh and partner Carlos Franco, who won the 2017 Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge together, finished T2 in the 2019 team event.
- Ernie Els (-11/T7) made a hole-in-one on the 158-yard No. 11 with a pitching wedge. It was his second ace in six starts on PGA TOUR Champions (Rd. 1, Ally Challenge). Els is the first player to record two aces in one Champions Tour season since Stephen Ames did so in 2017.
- There were three holes-in-one this week: Rod Pampling (Rd. 1, No. 11), Bob Estes (Rd. 2, No. 4) and Els. This is the first time since the 2019 Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS Championship (four) where there have been three or more aces recorded in a single Champions Tour event. The four holes-in-one in Akron last year marked the most in a single week in PGA TOUR Champions history.
- John Daly withdrew prior to the start of the third round due to illness.