



2020 Corales Puntacana Resort & Club Championship
(The 3rd of 50 events in the 2020-21 PGA TOUR Season)

Punta Cana, Dominican Republic
Puntacana Resort & Club (Corales Course)

September 24-27, 2020
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,666

Purse: \$4,000,000

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, September 26, 2020

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 91. Wind ENE at 6-12 mph, gusting to 16 mph.

Third-Round Leaderboard

Adam Long	70-65-64—199 (-17)
Hudson Swafford	65-67-69—201 (-15)
Mackenzie Hughes	68-67-67—202 (-14)
Xinjun Zhang	66-69-68—203 (-13)

Things to Know

- Adam Long and Hudson Swafford seek second PGA TOUR victory, with The American Express the first for both
- Long holds the 54-hole lead/co-lead for the first time in his PGA TOUR career; 54-hole total of 199 sets tournament record
- The 54-hole leader/co-leader has carried the lead to victory twice in two previous editions of this event
- Mackenzie Hughes finished T2 in first tournament appearance in 2019
- Winner benefits include 500 FedExCup points, invitations to Sentry Tournament of Champions, 2021 Masters Tournament, THE PLAYERS Championship and PGA Championship

Third-Round Lead Notes

- The 54-hole leader/co-leader has won twice in two attempts at the Corales Puntacana Resort & Club Championship; in 2018, Brice Garnett held a two-stroke lead (-16) en route to a four-stroke, wire-to-wire win; in 2019, Graeme McDowell held a one-stroke lead (-15) en route to a one-stroke victory
- The 54-hole leader/co-leader has yet to carry that lead on to victory in the first two events of the season

Final two fourth-round pairings (entering the week)

Category	Adam Long	Hudson Swafford	Mackenzie Hughes	Xinjun Zhang
Age	33 (9/25/1987)	33 (9/9/1987)	29 (11/23/1990)	33 (6/10/1987)
OWGR	69	345	54	141
PGA TOUR starts	54	168	111	57
PGA TOUR wins	1	1	1	0
PGA TOUR top-10s	5	9	9	4
Puntacana starts	0	1	1	1
Puntacana wins	0	0	0	0
Puntacana top-10s	0	0	1	1

Player Notes

Adam Long (1st/-17)

- Making his tournament debut, posts bogey-free 8-under 64 with nine one-putts in his last 10 holes
- Sets 54-hole tournament record with 199 (-17)
- Holds 54-hole lead/co-lead for first time in PGA TOUR career; previous best position through three rounds was third at 2019 The American Express, which he won
- Seeks second TOUR title (2019 The American Express)
- Making 55th career start on TOUR and second this season; finished T13 at last week's U.S. Open, his best result in the five major championships he has contested; moved to No. 69 in the Official World Golf Rankings after last week's U.S. Open, his highest ever position

- Sits No. 24 in the FedExCup standings in his third season on TOUR after advancing to the FedExCup Playoffs in his first two seasons (No. 69/2019, No. 31/2020); got bumped out of the top-30 and a trip to East Lake for the TOUR Championship when Mackenzie Hughes holed a five-foot putt on the final hole at the 2020 BMW Championship to advance instead
- Two runner-up results among three top-10s last season (2nd/3M Open, T2/Mayakoba Golf Classic, 8th/Waste Management Phoenix Open)

Hudson Swafford (2nd/-15)

- After eagle-birdie at Nos. 7 and 8, closed the round with 10 consecutive pars
- Missed the cut with 74-71 in 2019 at his only previous start in this event
- Began this season with a T56 at the Safeway Open
- Seeks second TOUR victory after capturing 2017 The American Express

Mackenzie Hughes (3rd/-14)

- Played the back nine 10-under and without a bogey through 54 holes
- Finished T2 in first tournament appearance in 2019, closing with back-to-back 6-under 66s to finish 17-under 271
- Posted four top-10s in 22 starts last season, including T10 at the BMW Championship, holing a 4-foot putt on the 72nd hole to advance to the TOUR Championship for the first time; finished No. 14 in the FedExCup
- Missed the cut in last week's U.S. Open (72-76)
- Following a missed cut in the first Return to Golf event (Charles Schwab Challenge), made the cut in all nine starts and earned three top-10s: Travelers Championship/T3, the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide/T6, BMW Championship/T10
- Seeks to become first Canadian to win on the PGA TOUR since Nick Taylor (2020 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am)
- Lone TOUR victory came at The RSM Classic in 2016 via playoff

Miscellaneous Notes

- **Xinjun Zhang** (4th/-13) leads the field with most birdies this week (20); finished T5 in the 2018 Corales Puntacana Resort & Club Championship; best finish in 57 starts on TOUR is T4 at the 2019 Houston Open
- Winner of the 2017 Corales Puntacana Resort & Club Championship while on the Korn Ferry Tour schedule, **Nate Lashley** (T5/-12) posts bogey-free 7-under 65; was 5 of 5 in Scrambling in the third round; seeks his second PGA TOUR title (2019 Rocket Mortgage Classic)
- **Sean O'Hair** (T5/-12), playing on a Major Medical Extension, has 15 remaining events to earn 287 FedExCup points; seeks fifth PGA TOUR victory in his 368th start; making 190th start since his last win at the 2011 RBC Canadian Open
- **Anirban Lahiri's** (T7/-11) 8-under 64 marks his lowest round on TOUR since a second-round 61 (-9) at 2018 A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier
- **Justin Suh** (T7/-11) entered this week with top-10 finishes in three of his last four starts on the LOCALiQ Series, which consists of players from the Mackenzie Tour – PGA TOUR Canada, PGA TOUR Latinoamerica and PGA TOUR China
- Puntacana Resort ambassador **Emiliano Grillo** (T11/-10) was 7-under through 12 holes of round three before dropping three shots in the final six holes en route to a 4-under 68
- **Willy Pumarol**, the lone Dominican to advance to the weekend, sits T55 after rounds of 73-68-71; Julio Santos owns the best finishes at this event by any player from the Dominican Republic (T69/2019, T73/2018)

Course Statistics

Toughest Hole	Easiest Hole
R1: Par-3 11 th (3.299)	Par-5 4 th (4.438)
R2: Par-3 2 nd (3.296)	Par-5 7 th (4.338)
R3: Par-3 11 th (3.311)	Par-5 7 th (4.378)

Scoring Averages

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	34.958	36.111	71.069	--
R2:	35.275	35.958	71.232	71.150
R3:	34.757	36.189	70.946	71.108

Bogey-free rounds

R1 (12): Sepp Straka (65), Joseph Bramlett (66), Ricky Barnes (67), Cameron Percy (67), Kyle Stanley (67), David Hearn (67), Zac Blair (68), Robert Streb (68), Charles Howell III (69), Henrik Stenson (70), Keith Mitchell (70), Tim Wilkinson (70)

R2 (6): Luke List (65), Alex Smalley (67), Justin Suh (67), Sean O'Hair (67), Joohyung Kim (69), Andres Romero (69)

R3 (6): Adam Long (64), Anirban Lahiri (64), Nate Lashley (65), Jonathan Byrd (70), Denny McCarthy (70), Vincent Whaley (71)