



### 2021 Farmers Insurance Open

(16<sup>th</sup> of 50 events in the 2020-21 PGA TOUR Season)

San Diego, California  
Torrey Pines (South) – host  
Torrey Pines (North)

January 28-31, 2021  
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,765  
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FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)  
Purse: \$7,500,000 (\$1,350,000 winner)

### First-Round Notes – Thursday, January 28, 2021

*Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 59. Wind SSW 6-12 mph. Due to anticipated rain on Friday and the tournament using a two-course format in the first two rounds, preferred lies were in use during the first round.*

### First-Round Leaderboard

Patrick Reed 64 (-8) NC  
Alex Noren 64 (-8) NC  
Scottie Scheffler 65 (-7) NC  
12 players 66 (-6)

### Things to Know

- Eight-time PGA TOUR winner Patrick Reed opens with 64, tying his second-lowest first-round score on TOUR
- Reed has converted three of his previous five 18-hole leads/co-leads on TOUR to victory
- Alex Noren holds a share of the lead after tying his career-low round on TOUR (64)
- Noren earned his career-best PGA TOUR result at the 2018 Farmers Insurance Open, losing in a playoff to Jason Day
- The last first-round leader/co-leader to win the Farmers Insurance Open was George Burns in 1987
- Of the 15 players that shot 66-or-better, only Peter Malnati (66) and Ryan Palmer (66) did so on the South Course

### First-Round Lead Notes

- 0 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win the Farmers Insurance Open since 1987 (most recent: George Burns/1987)
- 3 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win in 2020-21 (most recent: Harris English/Sentry Tournament of Champions)

### Comparing the co-leaders (entering the week)

Category	Patrick Reed	Alex Noren
Age	30 (August 5, 1990)	38 (July 12, 1982)
FedExCup	65	100
OWGR	11	96
Starts at Farmers Insurance Open	5	2
Wins at Farmers Insurance Open	0	0
Top-10s at Farmers Insurance Open	1	1
Career PGA TOUR starts	229	94
Career PGA TOUR wins	8	0
Career PGA TOUR top-10s	49	11
PGA TOUR starts in 2020-21	5	7
PGA TOUR wins in 2020-21	0	0
PGA TOUR top-10s in 2020-21	1	0

### Patrick Reed (T1/-8) – NC

- Ties the second-lowest first-round score of his PGA TOUR career (lowest: 63/2014 The American Express; went on to win wire-to-wire)

- Sixth 18-hole lead/co-lead of PGA TOUR career; has converted three of the previous five to victory (Won/2014 The American Express, Won/2014 World Golf Championships-Mexico Championship, 2<sup>nd</sup>/2016 Sentry Tournament of Champions, Won/2016 THE NORTHERN TRUST, T7/2018 WGC-HSBC Champions)
- Three consecutive top-25s at the Farmers Insurance Open, highlighted by a T6 in 2020
- Best result in five starts on the season: T10/Masters Tournament
- Eight-time PGA TOUR winner (most recent: 2020 WGC-Mexico Championship)

#### Alex Noren (T1/-8) – NC

- Ties career-low round on the PGA TOUR; previous 64s: 2018 BMW Championship (R1), 2020 THE NORTHERN TRUST (R3)
- Third 18-hole lead/co-lead of PGA TOUR career; did not convert either of the previous two to victory (3<sup>rd</sup>/2018 The Honda Classic, T17/2018 THE PLAYERS Championship)
- Lost in a playoff at the 2018 Farmers Insurance Open to Jason Day, his career-best result in 94 starts on the PGA TOUR; missed the cut in his only other prior appearance (2019)
- Best result in seven starts on the season: T17 (twice: U.S. Open, ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP @ SHERWOOD)
- 10-time winner on the European Tour (most recent: 2018 Open de France)

#### Scottie Scheffler (3<sup>rd</sup>/-7) – NC

- Missed the cut in his only prior appearance at the Farmers Insurance Open (2020)
- In search of first career PGA TOUR victory; best result in 42 prior starts on TOUR: solo-third (2020 The American Express)
- Reigning PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year; finished the 2019-20 season No. 5 in the FedExCup standings

#### Additional Player Notes

- 2019 U.S. Open champion **Gary Woodland** (NC) is one of 12 players at T4 after a first-round 66; Woodland has two top-10s in 11 prior starts at the event (T10/2014, T9/2019)
- 50-year-old **K.J. Choi** (NC) opens with a 6-under 66 to stand T4; Choi is last in the field in Driving Distance averaging 258.5 yards, more than 10 yards behind the next-lowest average in the field (269.0 yards/Denny McCarthy, Tim Wilkinson)
- Of the 15 players that shot 66-or-better, only Peter Malnati (66) and Ryan Palmer (66) did so on the South Course
- **Rory McIlroy** (-4/SC) has two consecutive top-fives at the event (T5/2019, T3/2020)
- 2017 Farmers Insurance Open winner **Jon Rahm**, who entered the week as the highest-ranked player in the field at No. 2 in the Official World Golf Ranking, shot a 3-under 69 on the South Course (T32)
- Three-time Farmers Insurance Open winner **Phil Mickelson** (NC) opens with a 1-under 71 to stand T69
- For the second consecutive round at the Farmers Insurance Open, **Richy Werenski** (-3/T32) recorded a hole-in-one (No. 3/SC); Werenski made a hole-in-one in the final round in 2020 (No. 8/SC)

#### Course Statistics

	South Course		North Course	
	Toughest Hole	Easiest Hole	Toughest Hole	Easiest Hole
R1:	Par-4 12 <sup>th</sup> (4.410)	Par-5 6 <sup>th</sup> (4.333)	Par-4 18 <sup>th</sup> (4.372)	Par-5 17 <sup>th</sup> (4.359)

#### Scoring Averages

	South Course				North Course			
	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	35.962	37.205	73.167	--	34.462	34.987	69.449	--

#### Bogey-free rounds

R1 (12): Patrick Reed (64), Scottie Scheffler (65), K.J. Choi (66), Rhein Gibson (66), Gary Woodland (66), Lanto Griffin (66), Beau Hossler (66), Lucas Glover (68), Kevin Streelman (68), Jared du Toit (70), Bubba Watson (70), Russell Knox (71)