



2020 Sanderson Farms Championship
(4th of 50 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Jackson, Mississippi
Country Club of Jackson

October 1-4, 2020

Purse: \$6,600,000
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,460

First-Round Notes – Thursday, October 1, 2020

Weather: Sunny, with a high of 80. Wind NNW 7-14 mph.

First-Round Leaderboard

Charley Hoffman	64 (-8)
Jimmy Walker	64 (-8)
Kevin Chappell	64 (-8)
Sebastian Munoz	64 (-8)

Things to Know

- Jimmy Walker and Charley Hoffman open with matching 64s; each in search of a first PGA TOUR win since 2016
- Sebastian Munoz opens with 64 in bid to become first player to successfully defend a Sanderson Farms Championship title
- In his first start at the Sanderson Farms Championship, Kevin Chappell posts a bogey-free 64
- Monday qualifier MJ Daffue opens with a bogey-free 7-under 65
- With a 7-under 65, Michael Gligic seeks to become the fifth Canadian to win the Sanderson Farms Championship
- The Sanderson Farms Championship has produced a first-time winner each year since 2014 (six seasons)
- For the second season (2019-20), the Sanderson Farms Championship features a stand-alone date and full FedExCup points

First-Round Lead Notes

- 6 First-round leaders/co-leaders to convert for the win at the Sanderson Farms Championship since 2000; Most recent: Cameron Champ/2018
- 5 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win on TOUR since the 2019-20 season, including Hudson Swafford at last week's Corales Puntacana Resort & Club Championship
- 62 Lowest opening-round score since moving to Country Club of Jackson in 2014 (Roberto Castro/2015)

Comparing the leaders entering the week

Player	Charley Hoffman	Jimmy Walker	Sebastian Munoz	Kevin Chappell
Age	43 (12/27/1976)	41 (1/16/1979)	27 (1/4/1993)	34 (7/8/1986)
FedExCup	45	--	T131	T133
OWGR	150	352	76	652
Sanderson Farms starts	4	2	3	0
Sanderson Farms Top 10s	0	0	1	0
PGA TOUR starts	408	346	72	235
PGA TOUR wins	4	6	1	1
Starts in 2020-21	2	1	1	2

Charley Hoffman (64/-8)

- Reeled off four consecutive birdies on Nos. 3-6, and nine total; lone bogey came at the par-4 eighth
- 64 marks his lowest score on the PGA TOUR since a 9-under 63 in round two of the 2019 The American Express (T61)
- Extends his streak of par-or-better rounds this season to a perfect 9-for-9
- Posted an 8-under 64 in round two of last year's Sanderson Farms Championship en route to a T23 finish
- Marks his seventh 18-hole lead/co-lead on the PGA TOUR, with a T7 at the 2013 Travelers Championship the best result
- Making his fifth start at the Sanderson Farms Championship with a T22 in 2007 at Annandale Golf Club his best showing
- Seeks his fifth TOUR title and first since the 2016 Valero Texas Open

Jimmy Walker (64/-8)

- Bogey-free 64 marks his lowest round on TOUR since a 7-under 64 in round one of the 2018 AT&T Byron Nelson (T6)
- Seeks his first top-10 finish since the T6 at the 2018 AT&T Byron Nelson
- Of four previous 18-hole leads/co-leads on the PGA TOUR, only the 2016 PGA Championship resulted in victory
- Missed the cut in two previous Sanderson Farms Championship starts (2008, 2019)
- Seeks seventh career TOUR win and first since the 2016 PGA Championship

Sebastian Munoz (64/-8)

- Defending champion birdied four of his first five holes and four of his last six holes on his way to an 8-under 64
- Takes an 18-hole lead/co-lead for the third time on TOUR; best finish was T3/2017 A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier
- With a win, would become the first player to successfully defend his Sanderson Farms Championship title
- On the strength of last year's win, advanced to the TOUR Championship before ending his season at No. 8 in the FedExCup
- Made his first PGA TOUR start at the 2016 Sanderson Farms Championship (T35)
- Is making his fourth Sanderson Farms Championship appearance (1st/2019, T50/2018, T35/2016)
- Has now shot par or better in 11 of 13 rounds at the Country Club of Jackson

Kevin Chappell (64/-8)

- Opened his first start in the Sanderson Farms Championship with a bogey-free 8-under 64
- Takes an 18-hole lead/co-lead for a fourth time on TOUR; best result was T2/2016 TOUR Championship
- Needed 23 putts to sink a total of 114'3" of putts
- Winner of the 2017 Valero Texas Open
- After advancing to the FedExCup Playoffs his first eight seasons on TOUR, has failed to advance in the last two seasons

Miscellaneous Notes

- **Michael Gligic** made six birdies and an eagle against a lone bogey to open with a 7-under 65 (T5); would become the fourth Canadian to win the Sanderson Farms Championship and first since Nick Taylor in 2014
- Monday qualifier **MJ Daffue** opened with a bogey-free 7-under 65 (T5) in his fifth career PGA TOUR start
- India's **Anirban Lahiri** opened with a bogey-free 6-under 66 in his second Sanderson Farms Championship start (T45/2019); in this week's field by virtue of his top-10 finish at last week's Corales Puntacana Resort & Club Championship (T6)
- **Sungjae Im**, who lost in a playoff at last year's Sanderson Farms Championship, opened with 1-under 71 (T65)
- Coming off back-to-back top-10 finishes this season at the U.S. Open (T6) and Corales Puntacana Resort & Club Championship (T8), **Will Zalatoris** opened with a 1-over 73 (T106)
- Hattiesburg, MS native **Davis Riley** carded a 1-under 71 (T65) in his second Sanderson Farms Championship start (T39/2019); winner of this season's Panama Championship and TPC San Antonio Championship at The Oaks on the Korn Ferry Tour
- **Scott Harrington** (T39/-2) holed his second shot from 272 yards on the par-5 14th hole with a 3-wood; marks the fourth albatross in Sanderson Farms Championship history and first since 2010 (Johnson Wagner/R1/No. 7/Annandale Golf Club)

Scoring Averages at the par-72 Country Club of Jackson:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	35.625	35.326	70.951	---

Bogey-free rounds:

R1 (10): Jimmy Walker (64), Kevin Chappell (64), MJ Daffue (65), Keegan Bradley (66), Anirban Lahiri (66), J.T. Poston (66), Andrew Putnam (68), Matthew NeSmith (68), Steve Lewton (68), Chase Seiffert (70)

