



### 2021 Valspar Championship

(31st of 50 events in the 2020-21 PGA TOUR Season)

Palm Harbor, Florida April 29-May 2, 2021 FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)

Innisbrook Resort (Copperhead) Par/Yards: 36-35—71/7,340 Purse: \$6,900,000 (\$1,242,000 winner)

Final-Round Notes - Sunday, May 2, 2021

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 84. Wind SW 10-15 mph.

#### **Final-Round Leaderboard**

 Sam Burns
 67-63-69-68—267 (-17)

 Keegan Bradley
 64-66-69-71—270 (-14)

 Viktor Hovland
 69-69-68-65—271 (-13)

 Cameron Tringale
 69-67-67-68—271 (-13)

 Abraham Ancer
 67-70-66-69—272 (-12)

## Things to Know

- Sam Burns becomes the fifth player to pick up his first PGA TOUR win at the Valspar Championship
- Keegan Bradley finishes runner-up for the seventh time in 273 PGA TOUR starts
- Burns improves to 1-for-3 with the 54-hole lead/co-lead, while Bradley falls to 0-for-3
- With his T13 finish, Justin Thomas overtakes Bryson DeChambeau for the lead in the FedExCup
- Defending champion Paul Casey finishes T21 in bid to become event's first three-time winner

## About Sam Burns (following the week)

Category	Sam Burns
Age	24 (July 23, 1996)
FedExCup	14
OWGR	44
Starts at Valspar Championship	3
Wins at Valspar Championship	1
Top-10s at Valspar Championship	1
Career PGA TOUR starts	76
Career PGA TOUR wins	1
Career PGA TOUR top-10s	11
PGA TOUR starts in 2020-21	16
PGA TOUR wins in 2020-21	1
PGA TOUR top-10s in 2020-21	5

#### Sam Burns (1<sup>st</sup>/-17)

- Picks up his first PGA TOUR victory in his 76<sup>th</sup> start; previous-best career finish: 3rd/2021 The Genesis Invitational
- At 24 years, 9 months, 9 days, becomes the second-youngest winner of the Valspar Championship (Jordan Spieth/2015/21 years, 7 months, 16 days)
- Becomes the fifth player to pick up his first PGA TOUR victory at the Valspar Championship, joining Carl Pettersson (2005), Gary Woodland (2011), Kevin Streelman (2013) and Adam Hadwin (2017)
- Joins Jason Kokrak, Carlos Ortiz and Joel Dahmen as first-time winners this season
- Collects 500 points and moves from No. 47 to No. 14 in the FedExCup standings
- At 17-under 267, falls one shy of the 72-hole tournament scoring record (Vijay Singh/2004)
- Becomes just the second player (Paul Casey/2019) to play the par-5s at 15-under at the Copperhead Course
- Improves to 1-for-3 when holding the 54-hole lead/co-lead this season (T7/Vivint Houston Open, 3<sup>rd</sup>/The Genesis Invitational, 1<sup>st</sup>/Valspar Championship)

- Is the sixth second-round leader/co-leader and 11<sup>th</sup> third-round leader/co-leader to win the Valspar Championship (most recent Paul Casey/2019)
- Becomes the seventh second-round leader/co-leader and 14<sup>th</sup> third-round leader/co-leader to win on TOUR this season (individual stroke-play events)
- Finishes third in Strokes Gained: Putting (9.096 total) and fifth in Strokes Gained: Tee to Green (7.639 total)
- Additional highlights this week include setting the Valspar Championship 36-hole scoring record (along with Keegan Bradley) and tying the 54-hole tournament scoring record; tied his career-low round on TOUR with a second-round 63
- Win comes in his third start at Valspar Championship (T12/2018, T30/2019, 1st/2021)

#### **Miscellaneous Notes**

- **Keegan Bradley** (2<sup>nd</sup>) falls to 0-for-3 when holding 54-hole lead/co-lead (P2/2012 The Genesis Invitational, 2<sup>nd</sup>/2013 AT&T Byron Nelson, 2<sup>nd</sup>/2021 Valspar Championship); was in search of his first PGA TOUR win since the 2018 BMW Championship
- **Viktor Hovland** finishes T3 in his Valspar championship debut; moves to No. 3 in the FedExCup standings with his fifth top-10 finish of the season
- Cameron Tringale (T3) earns his second top-10 finish (3<sup>rd</sup>/2013) in nine starts at the Valspar Championship; this week marks his 299<sup>th</sup> start on TOUR, most on TOUR without a win since 2009
- **Abraham Ancer** (5<sup>th</sup>) earns his career-best 11<sup>th</sup> top-25 finish in 17 starts this season; moves to No. 33 in the FedExCup; finished T16 in his only other start at the Valspar Championship (2018)
- Vaughn Taylor (T6) records first top-10 finish since a T10 at The RSM Classic in 2019 (33 starts)
- After missing the cut in each of his previous three starts at the event (2014, 2015, 2019), **Max Homa** finishes T6 in attempt to join Bryson DeChambeau and Stewart Cink as multiple winners this season
- With his eagle on the opening hole Sunday, Justin Thomas joins Rod Pampling (2006) as the only players with three
  eagles in a week at the Valspar Championship; with his T13 finish, overtakes Bryson DeChambeau for the lead in
  the FedExCup
- Defending champion Paul Casey finishes T21 in attempt to become the event's first three-time winner
- World No. 1 **Dustin Johnson** closes with a 2-under 69 to finish T48
- There were 109 hole-outs this week, the most at the Valspar Championship during the ShotLink era (2003-present)

# **Course Statistics**

	Toughest Hole Easiest Hole			
R1:	Par-3 13 <sup>th</sup> (3.295)	Par-5 1 <sup>st</sup> (4.423)		
R2:	Par-4 3 <sup>rd</sup> (4.181)	Par-5 11 <sup>th</sup> (4.658)		
R3:	Par-4 16 <sup>th</sup> (4.319)	Par-5 11 <sup>th</sup> (4.623)		
R4:	Par-4 3 <sup>rd</sup> (4.275)	Par-5 1 <sup>st</sup> (4.391)		
Total:	Par-4 16 <sup>th</sup> (4.205)	Par-5 1 <sup>st</sup> (4.555)		

#### **Scoring Averages**

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	35.974	35.160	71.135	
R2:	35.981	34.910	70.890	71.013
R3:	35.638	34.841	70.478	70.916
R4:	36.101	35.130	71.232	70.964

## **Bogey-free rounds**

**R1** (9): Keegan Bradley (64), Emiliano Grillo (66), Hank Lebioda (66), Beau Hossler (68), Lucas Glover (69), K.H. Lee (69), Ian Poulter (69), Cameron Tringale (69), Charles Howell III (70)

**R2** (12): Sam Burns (63), Lucas Glover (65), Tom Lewis (65), Charley Hoffman (66), Zach Johnson (67), Cameron Tringale (67), Vaughn Taylor (67), Bronson Burgoon (68), Mark Hubbard (68), Denny McCarthy (69), Jhonattan Vegas (69), Chase Koepka (70)

R3 (3): Joaquin Niemann (67), Wyndham Clark (68), Jason Dufner (68)

**R4** (1): Beau Hossler (66)