



2021 Waste Management Phoenix Open

(The 17th of 50 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Scottsdale, Arizona
TPC Scottsdale

February 4-7, 2021
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,261 yards

Purse: \$7,300,000 (\$1,314,000 winner)
500 FedExCup points to winner

Second-Round Notes – Friday, February 5, 2021

Weather: Sunny with a high of 70. Wind W 6-12 mph.

36-hole cut: 66 players at 3-under 139 from a field of 132 professionals

Second-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Name	Score
1	Xander Schauffele	66-64—130 (-12)
T2	Steve Stricker	65-66—131 (-11)
T2	Keegan Bradley	66-65—131 (-11)
T4	Scottie Scheffler	67-65—132 (-10)
T4	Kyoung-Hoon Lee	66-66—132 (-10)
T4	Sam Burns	64-68—132 (-10)

Things to Know

- World No. 4 Xander Schauffele cards five birdies and an eagle on the par-5 No. 15 to finish the day with a bogey-free 64
- Steve Stricker looks to become the eighth player on the PGA TOUR to win after turning 50 (most recent: Davis Love III/2015 Wyndham Championship)
- Jordan Spieth currently sits at T8/-8 as he seeks first victory since 2017 Open Championship
- Four of the nine past Waste Management Phoenix Open champions advance to the weekend, including defending champion Webb Simpson (T40/-4)
- Notables to miss the cut: Rickie Fowler, Jason Day, Gary Woodland

Second-Round Lead Notes

- 60 Lowest R2 score (Phil Mickelson/2005/Won; Mark Calcavecchia/2001/Won)
- 6 Second-round leaders/co-leaders of the Waste Management Phoenix Open since 2000 to convert for the win (most recent: Rickie Fowler/2019)
- 5 Second-round leaders/co-leaders to win in 2020-21 (most recent: Harris English/Sentry Tournament of Champions)

Xander Schauffele (entering the week)

Category	Xander Schauffele
Age	27 (10/25/1993)
FedExCup	6
OWGR	4
Starts at WMPO	3
Wins at WMPO	0
Top-10s at WMPO	1
Career PGA TOUR starts	102
Career PGA TOUR wins	4
Career PGA TOUR top-10s	28
PGA TOUR starts in 2020-21	6
PGA TOUR wins in 2020-21	0
PGA TOUR top-10s in 2020-21	4

Xander Schauffele (1st/-12)

- Round included three consecutive birdies on Nos. 12-14 and an eagle on the par-5 15th en route to a 7-under 64
- Holds the 36-hole lead/co-lead for the fourth time in his career; has failed to convert on any of the previous three occasions (most recent: 2020 THE CJ CUP @ SHADOW CREEK/2nd)
- Making his fourth start at the event, 27-year-old has finished inside the top-20 in each appearance; 2020/T16, 2019/T10, 2018/T17
- Seeks his fifth career PGA TOUR title and first since the 2019 Sentry Tournament of Champions
- San Diego native has two runner-up finishes this season, most recently at last week's Farmers Insurance Open, marking his seventh runner-up since his last victory
- In six starts this season, owns four top-five finishes; 2nd/THE CJ CUP @ SHADOW CREEK, T2/Farmers Insurance Open, 5th/U.S. Open, T5/Sentry Tournament of Champions

Steve Stricker (T2/-11)

- With a victory Sunday, 53-year-old - who turns 54 on February 23 - would break Sam Snead's record as the oldest player to win a TOUR event (52 years, 10 months, 8 days/1965 Wyndham Championship)
- Since turning 50 in 2017, has recorded six rounds of 66 or better on TOUR, the third-most among players 50 and older dating to the 2015-16 season (most rounds: Davis Love III/9)
- Finished inside the top-10 once in his 18 prior starts (T7/2001) at the Waste Management Phoenix Open
- Most recent of his 12 career victories came at the 2012 Sentry Tournament of Champions

Keegan Bradley (T2/-11)

- Birdied five of his first seven holes on Friday en route to a 6-under 65
- Making his 10th start at the Waste Management Phoenix Open, best finish was T15 in 2012
- Through 10 starts this season, has notched one top-10 (T4/Sanderson Farms Championship)
- Vermont native is a four-time winner on the PGA TOUR (most recent: 2018 BMW Championship)
- Wife, Jillian, gave birth to a son, Cooper Leo, on January 26; he joins three-year-old brother, Logan

Miscellaneous Notes

- Scottie Scheffler (T4/-10) drained a 39' 10" putt for eagle on the par-4 No. 17 en route to finishing the second round with a 6-under 65
- Three-time major champion Jordan Spieth sits T8 at 4-under 134 as he seeks first victory since the 2017 Open Championship
- After gaining the last spot in the field via Monday qualifying, Nick Hardy sits at T16 after a bogey-free 4-under 67; Northbrook, Illinois native is making his 12th PGA TOUR start this week and first appearance at the Waste Management Phoenix Open
- Defending champion Webb Simpson (T40/-4) overcame a first-round 2-over 73 with 6-under 65 in his bid to become the third player since 1970 to successfully defend his Waste Management Phoenix open title (Johnny Miller/1974-75, Hideki Matsuyama 2016-17)
- Two-time Waste Management Phoenix Open champion Hideki Matsuyama (T40/-4) is making his seventh start in the event and has played even-par or better in 26 of 27 career rounds at TPC Scottsdale (only round over par: 74/R2/2020/T16)

Course Statistics

Toughest Hole	Easiest Hole
R1: Par-4 11 th (4.341)	Par-5 13 th (4.515)
R2: Par-4 11 th (4.106)	Par-5 3 rd (4.500)

Scoring Averages at TPC Scottsdale:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	34.568	35.795	70.364	--
R2:	34.364	34.773	69.136	69.750

Bogey-free rounds:

R1 (7): Matthew NeSmith (63), Mark Hubbard (63), Nate Lashley (64), Adam Hadwin (67), Andrew Putnam (67), Ryan Armour (68), Cameron Champ (68)

R2 (14): James Hahn (67), Nick Hardy (67), Si Woo Kim (66), Luke List (67), Adam Long (68), Hideki Matsuyama (67), Andrew Putnam (69), Davis Riley (66), Xander Schauffele (64), Webb Simpson (65), Nick Taylor (70), Bo Van Pelt, (67) Gary Woodland (67)