



2021 Wyndham Championship

(47th of 47 FedExCup Regular Season events)

Greensboro, North Carolina August 12-15, 2021 FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)
Sedgefield Country Club Par/Yards: 70/7,131 Purse: \$6,400,00 (\$1,152,000/winner)

Completed First-Round Notes - Friday, August 13, 2021

Weather: Thursday: Partly cloudy. High of 93. Wind SW 5-10 mph. Due to inclement weather, play was suspended from 5:01 p.m. to 7:08 p.m. ET (suspension of 2 hours, 7 minutes). Due to darkness, the first round was suspended for the day at 8:14 p.m. with 22 players left to complete their rounds. **Friday:** Partly cloudy with a high of 78 in the morning. Wind WSW 3-6 mph. The first round resumed at 7:29 a.m. and was completed at 8:35 a.m. The second round began as scheduled at 6:50 a.m.

First-Round Leaderboard

Russell Henley	62 (-8)
Sung Kang	64 (-6)
Ted Potter Jr.	64 (-6)
Michael Thompson	64 (-6)
Chris Kirk	64 (-6)
Scott Piercy	64 (-6)
Hudson Swafford	64 (-6)
Adam Hadwin	64 (-6)

Things to Know

- Russell Henley opens with an 8-under 62, his career-low opening-round score on the PGA TOUR
- Henley holds a two-stroke lead, his second 18-hole lead/co-lead of the season and first since the U.S. Open in June (T13)
- Four of the seven players tied for second place started the week outside the top 125 in the FedExCup standings
- 2011 Wyndham Championship winner Webb Simpson, who has finished T3 or better in four consecutive years at the event, stands T9

First-Round Lead Notes

- First-round leaders/co-leaders to win since the event moved to Sedgefield CC in 2008 (Arjun Atwal/2010, Camilo Villegas/2014, Brandt Snedeker/2018)
- 5 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win in 2020-21 (most recent: Matt Jones/The Honda Classic)

Russell Henley (1st/-8)

Category	Entering the week
Age	32 (4/12/1989)
FedExCup	46
OWGR	56
PGA TOUR starts	221
PGA TOUR wins	3
PGA TOUR top-10s	31
Starts in 2020-21	22
Wins in 2020-21	0
Top-10s in 2020-21	4
Wyndham Championship starts	4
Wins at Wyndham Championship	0
Top-10s at Wyndham Championship	1

• Opens with an 8-under 62, marking his lowest opening-round score in an individual stroke-play event on TOUR (previous: 63/2013 Sony Open in Hawaii/Won)

Second 18-hole lead/co-lead of the season and sixth of his PGA TOUR career (0-for-5 to date)

Tournament	Lead	Result
2021 Wyndham Championship	Leads by 2	TBD
2021 U.S. Open	Tied	T13
2020 THE NORTHERN TRUST	Tied	T8
2018 U.S. Open	Tied	T25
2017 THE NORTHERN TRUST	Led by 1	T25
2015 Sentry Tournament of Champions	Led by 1	T3

- One of 10 players with multiple 18-hole leads/co-leads on TOUR this season (others: Corey Conners, Harris English, Russell Knox, Peter Malnati, Sebastian Munoz/3, Louis Oosthuizen, Jordan Spieth, Justin Thomas, Camilo Villegas)
- Players leading by exactly two strokes after 18 holes this season are 0-for-10 converting to victory; last 18-hole leader/co-leader to win on TOUR: Matt Jones, The Honda Classic (led by 3)
- Posts 51st career bogey-free round on TOUR (six birdies, one eagle)
- Finished T9 at the 2020 Wyndham Championship, his best result in four prior starts at the event
- Three top-20s in his last four starts, highlighted by a T11 at the John Deere Classic (has not played since The Open Championship)
- Best result this season: T3, twice (THE CJ CUP @ SHADOW CREEK, The Honda Classic)
- Three-time PGA TOUR winner (2013 Sony Open in Hawaii, 2014 The Honda Classic, 2017 Houston Open)
- Entered the week No. 46 in the FedExCup standings and will qualify for the Playoffs for the ninth consecutive season

FedExCup Playoffs notes

• Four of the seven players tied for second place started the week outside the top 125 in the FedExCup standings:

Entering wk.	Player	Minimum result*
126	Scott Piercy	34 th
128	Michael Thompson	21 st
181	Ted Potter, Jr.	Solo-2 nd
188	Sung Kang	Win

^{*} Minimum result to have a chance of qualifying for the FedExCup Playoffs

Players projected to move into top 125

Player	Position	YTD Rank	Proj. Rank*
Michael Thompson	T2	126	91
Scott Piercy	T2	128	96

Players projected to move out of top 125

Player	Position	YTD Rank	Proj. Rank*
Ryan Armour	T151	122	126
Patrick Rodgers	T143	123	127

^{*} as of conclusion of the first round (includes results from the start of the second round)

Miscellaneous Notes

- 2020 Corales Puntacana Championship winner **Hudson Swafford** (T2/-6) leads the field in birdies (9); making his fourth start in the Wyndham Championship
- **Michael Thompson** (T2/-6) began the week at No. 128 in the FedExCup as he seeks to build off last season's career-best 59th-place finish in the FedExCup
- 2011 Wyndham Championship winner Webb Simpson (-T9/5) seeks fifth consecutive top-three finish at the event
- **Brian Stuard** (T9/-5) posted a front-nine 29, his second sub-30 nine-hole score this season (The RSM Classic/back/R2); ties Patrick Cantlay and Harris English for most sub-30 nine-hole scores on TOUR this season
- This week's field includes six players who have qualified for the FedExCup Playoffs in all 14 seasons with four entering the week on the bubble: Adam Scott (-4/121st in FedExCup), Matt Kuchar (-4/124th), Justin Rose (-4/138th) and Ryan Moore (-2/142nd)
- Winner of last week's Barracuda Championship Erik van Rooyen (T9/-5) opens with a bogey-free 5-under 65
- The only way Special Temporary Member **Will Zalatoris** (-2) can advance to this season's FedExCup Playoffs is with a win at Sedgefield Country Club; a victory would give the former Wake Forest standout 500 additional FedExCup points for a total of 1,618
- **Rickie Fowler** (T128/+1) makes second Wyndham Championship start (T22/2016); entered the week at No. 130 in the FedExCup and seeks to advance to the FedExCup Playoffs for a 12th straight season
- Defending champion **Jim Herman** opens with a 72; Sam Snead (1949-50, 1955-56) marks the event's only player to successfully defend title

• **Henrik Norlander** (back injury) and **Vaughn Taylor** (rib injury) withdrew prior to the start of the first round and were replaced by **Johnson Wagner** and **John Huh**, respectively

Wyndham Championship and the FedExCup

- Final opportunity for players outside No. 125 to qualify for FedExCup Playoffs
- Five of 14 winners of the Wyndham Championship during the FedExCup era have advanced to the season-ending TOUR Championship (most recent: Si Woo Kim, 2016)
- No player has ever won the Wyndham Championship and the FedExCup in the same season
- Defending champion Jim Herman moved from 192nd to 54th in the FedExCup with his victory last season, marking the largest FedExCup move of any player at this event

Comcast Business TOUR TOP 10 Standings

- As the 2020-21 FedExCup Regular Season concludes this week with the Wyndham Championship, a bonus pool of \$10 million will be awarded to 10 players through the Comcast Business TOUR TOP 10
- Jason Kokrak (12th/89.82 points behind Sam Burns) and Hideki Matsuyama (14th/127.04 points behind Burns) are in the field this week and have a chance to move into the Comcast Business TOUR TOP 10

Pos.	Player	Points	Wins	Top-10s	Points Behind	Projected Bonus
1	Collin Morikawa	2,171	2	8		\$2 million
2	Jordan Spieth	2,139	1	9	32	\$1.5 million
3	Patrick Cantlay	2,056	2	5	115	\$1.2 million
4	Harris English	2,039	2	8	132	\$1.1 million
5	Jon Rahm	2,003	1	12	168	\$1.0 million
6	Abraham Ancer	1,926	1	7	245	\$850,000
7	Bryson DeChambeau	1,910	2	7	261	\$700,000
8	Louis Oosthuizen	1,877	0	8	294	\$600,000
9	Justin Thomas	1,758	1	5	413	\$550,000
10	Sam Burns	1,721	1	7	450	\$500,000

Course Statistics

Toughest Hole Easiest Hole
R1: Par-4 14th (4.212) Par-5 15th (4.410)

Scoring Averages

Front 9 Back 9 Total Cumulative R1: 33.814 34.538 68.353 --

Bogey-free rounds

R1 (10): Russell Henley (62), Ted Potter, Jr. (64), Michael Gligic (65), Tyler McCumber (65), Erik van Rooyen (65), Sungjae Im (66), Luke List (66), Ben Martin (67), Kevin Tway (66), Matthew Wolff (69)