

Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai

Hualalai Golf Course | Ka'upulehu-Kona, Hawaii | January 19-23, 2021

Final-Round Notes

Saturday, January 23, 2021

Course Setup: Par 72 / 7,107 yards (R3 average: 70.071, Cumulative: 70.111)

Weather: Partly cloudy with a high of 82. Wind from the WSW at 8-16 mph.

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Summary: **Darren Clarke** closed with a back-nine 30 to win with a 21-under total in his tournament debut at the Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai. It was his second straight victory (2020 TimberTech Championship) and he improved to No. 9 in the Charles Schwab Cup.

	Player	To Par	Scores	Money	Schwab Cup
1.	Darren Clarke	-21	63-68-64 – 195	\$310,000	9th
2.	Retief Goosen	-19	62-71-64 – 197	\$182,500	8th
3.	Jerry Kelly	-17	64-67-68 – 199	\$130,000	6th
T4.	Fred Couples	-15	71-63-67 – 201	\$90,000	12th
T4.	Kevin Sutherland	-15	66-68-67 – 201	\$90,000	3rd
T4.	Scott Parel	-15	64-71-66 – 201	\$90,000	5th

Quick Links:

- [Leaderboard](#)
- [PGATOURmedia.com](#) (transcripts and other resources available for download)

Darren Clarke, 63-68-64 – 195 (-21)

- Clarke one-putted six of his last eight holes, including a [50-foot birdie putt on No. 17](#) that increased his lead to two strokes over Goosen.
- Clarke is now 2-for-3 when he starts the final round with the lead/co-lead. He is the first second-round leader/co-leader to win at Hualalai since Duffy Waldorf won wire-to-wire in 2016.
- He posted his best final-round score (64) and 54-hole total (195) on PGA TOUR Champions. It is the tournament's best 54-hole score since Bernhard Langer (194) won in 2014.
- Clarke is the third player to win back-to-back starts during the 2020-21 season.
 - Darren Clarke – 2020 TimberTech Championship, 2021 Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai
 - Phil Mickelson – 2020 Charles Schwab Series at Ozarks National, Dominion Energy Charity Classic
 - Jim Furyk – 2020 Ally Challenge, PURE Insurance Championship
- Since a bogey on the 11th hole in the second round, Clarke went bogey-free over his last 25 holes and was 12-under. He finished the week with just two bogeys, tied with Mike Weir (T7/-12) for fewest in the field.
- Clarke becomes the sixth player to win at Hualalai in his tournament debut (since 1997).

Retief Goosen, 62-71-64 – 197 (-19)

- Goosen started the day two strokes behind Clarke and Jerry Kelly, and he evened the score at 15-under at the midway point Saturday. He and Clarke matched birdies on Nos. 10, 13, 14 and 17, and the difference was Clarke's birdies on Nos. 11 and 16.
- Goosen's 8-under 64 matches his career-best final-round score; he closed with a 64 at Hualalai last year en route to a T4 finish.
- He has one victory (2019 Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS Championship) and four runner-up finishes in 38 starts on PGA TOUR Champions.

Other Notes

- Second-round co-leader **Jerry Kelly** made a double bogey and two bogeys in his final-round 68. He finished third at 17-under, his third top-three finish in five starts at the Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai.
- **Scott Parel** played Nos. 7-11 in 6-under and was part of a three-way tie for the lead at 15-under. He was even-par over his last seven holes and finished T4 after a final-round 66.
- **Fred Couples** closed with a 67 and finished T4 (-15), his ninth consecutive top-10 at Hualalai.
- Three-time champion **Bernhard Langer** finished T11 at 10-under after a final-round 71. He retains the top spot in the Charles Schwab Cup standings, \$26,899 ahead of **Ernie Els** (T11/-10)
- Defending champion **Miguel Ángel Jiménez** finished T17 after rounds of 69-71-69.
- Three players finished in the top-10 in their debuts at the Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai: **Darren Clarke** (1st/-21), **Mike Weir** (T7/-12) and **Jim Furyk** (T9/-11).