



### 2022 John Deere Classic

(The 37<sup>th</sup> of 47 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Silvis, Illinois  
TPC Deere Run

June 30 – July 3, 2022  
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,289

FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)  
Purse: \$7,100,000 (\$1,278,000)

#### First-Round Notes – Thursday, June 30, 2022

Weather: Mostly sunny. High of 92. Wind SW 10-15 mph, gusting to 25 mph.

#### First-Round Leaderboard

J.T. Poston	62 (-9)
Michael Gligic	64 (-7)
Vaughn Taylor	65 (-6)
Christopher Gotterup	65 (-6)

#### Things to Know

- Coming off a T2 at last week’s Travelers Championship, J.T. Poston opens his fifth John Deere Classic with a 62 for the second straight week
- Poston becomes the first player on record (since 1983) to open consecutive PGA TOUR events in 62 or better
- After a missed cut in his first start at last year’s John Deere Classic, Canada’s Michael Gligic opens with a bogey-free 7-under 64
- In bid for a third top-10 finish at the John Deere Classic, Vaughn Taylor cards a 6-under 65, his 46<sup>th</sup> score of par or better in 49 rounds at TPC Deere Run
- Playing on a sponsor exemption in his third start as a professional, Christopher Gotterup offsets two bogeys with eight birdies
- John Deere Classic Board member and 2012 champion Zach Johnson cards a 2-under 69 in 20<sup>th</sup> consecutive tournament start
- In his bid to become the first player to successfully defend a John Deere Classic title since Steve Stricker (2011), Lucas Glover opens in 3-over 74
- The three players not otherwise exempt who finish in the top 10 (and ties) this week earn spots into The Open Championship

#### First-Round Lead Notes

- 2 First-round leaders/co-leaders at the John Deere Classic to win since moving to TPC in 2000 (John Senden/2006, Brian Harman/2014)
- 6 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win on PGA TOUR in 2021-22 (most recent: Jon Rahm/Mexico Open at Vidanta)

#### J.T. Poston (1<sup>st</sup>/-9)

Category	Entering the week
Age	29 (June 1, 1993)
FedExCup	66
OWGR	99
Starts-wins-top-10s (career)	154-1-13
Starts-wins-top-10s (season)	23-0-3
Starts-wins-top-10s (JDC)	4-0-0

- Highlighted by seven birdies, an eagle and no bogeys, opened a PGA TOUR event with a 62 for the second straight week; after opening last week’s Travelers Championship with an 8-under 62, finished T2 at 17-under 263
- Becomes the first player on record (since 1983) to open consecutive PGA TOUR events with a 62 or better
- Ties his lowest 18-hole score on TOUR; this week’s marks his fourth 62 in his 155<sup>th</sup> career start (R1/2019 Barbasol Championship/T29, R4/2019 Wyndham Championship/Won, R1/2022 Travelers Championship/T2)
- Following his final-round, bogey-free 6-under 64 at last week’s Travelers Championship, has now played his last 46 holes without a bogey
- The last player to open the John Deere Classic with a 62 was Roberto Diaz in 2019 (T74)

- Best finish when holding an 18-hole lead/co-lead (four previous occasions) came with T2 honors at last week's Travelers Championship
- Making his fifth start at the John Deere Classic (2021/MC, 2019/MC, 2018/T65, 2017/T64)
- Each of three top-10 finishes this season have come within the span of his last eight starts: T3/RBC Heritage, T9/Wells Fargo Championship, T2/Travelers Championship
- Seeks a second career PGA TOUR title (2019 Wyndham Championship)

#### Miscellaneous Notes

- In his second John Deere Classic start and first since a missed cut last year, Canada's **Michael Gligic** made seven birdies and no bogeys, good for a 7-under 64; seeks a second top-10 finish in his 70<sup>th</sup> career start on TOUR (T4/2021 Corales Puntacana Championship)
- **Vaughn Taylor** offset two bogeys with eight birdies to open his 15<sup>th</sup> John Deere Classic in 6-under 65; most recent of two top-10 finishes at TPC Deere Run, T6, came in 2019; today's 65 marks his 46<sup>th</sup> round of par or better in 49 rounds in the event; one top-10 finish in 14 starts this season (T7/Puerto Rico Open); most recent of three TOUR titles came at the 2016 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am (450 total TOUR starts before this week)
- Making his fifth TOUR start (third as a professional) and playing this week on a sponsor exemption, **Chris Gotterup** made eight birdies to open with a 6-under 65; lone top-10 finish was T7 at this season's Puerto Rico Open (amateur)
- Highlighted by an eagle-3 at his first hole of the day, No. 10, Monday qualifier **Chris Naegel** opened with a 5-under 66 in his sixth career PGA TOUR start; California native most recently finished T56 at the U.S. Open
- 2019 tournament winner **Dylan Frittelli** opened his third John Deere Classic with a bogey-free 5-under 66 (2021/MC)
- Seeking a third top-10 finish in his four most recent starts (T5/the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday, T7/U.S. Open), **Denny McCarthy** used 27 putts to sink 129' 10" of putts en route to a 5-under 66
- Making his 20<sup>th</sup> consecutive start in the John Deere Classic, 2012 champion and John Deere Classic Board member **Zach Johnson** posted a 2-under 69, marking his 65<sup>th</sup> round of par-or-better in the event (71 total rounds)
- In his bid to become the fourth player to successfully defend a John Deere Classic title, **Lucas Glover** carded a 2-over 73 (Deane Beman/1972, David Frost/1993 and Steve Stricker/2010 and 2011)
- **Jason Day** withdrew before round one with a back injury and was replaced by **Ted Potter** (+5); Taylor Pendrith withdrew before round one (illness) and was replaced by KJ Choi (+1); **Adam Schenk** and **Roger Sloan** withdrew after round one