



GENESIS INVITATIONAL

2022 The Genesis Invitational (16th of 47 events in the 2021-22 PGA TOUR Season)

Pacific Palisades, California
The Riviera Country Club

February 17-20, 2022
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,322

FedExCup Points: 550 (winner)
Purse: \$12,000,000 (\$2,160,000 winner)

Second-Round Notes – Friday, February 18, 2022

Weather: Sunny. High of 71. Wind SW 5-10 mph.

36-hole cut: 75 professionals at even-par 142 from a field of 119 professionals and one amateur
*Last time 16-stroke margin between leader and cutline: 2019 PGA Championship

Second-Round Leaderboard

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Rows include Joaquin Niemann (63-63—126 (-16)), Cameron Young (66-62—128 (-14)), Justin Thomas (67-64—131 (-11)), Adam Scott (68-65—133 (-9)), Jordan Spieth (66-67—133 (-9)), and Collin Morikawa (67-67—134 (-8)).

Things to Know

- Joaquin Niemann’s career low 126 total sets the 36-hole tournament record
• Cameron Young’s 62 marks his career-low round on TOUR; only player at 7-under or better without a PGA TOUR win
• Prior to Niemann (126) and Young (128), four players had shot 130 or better for 36 holes at this event since 1992
• Justin Thomas seeks 15th PGA TOUR title and first since THE PLAYERS Championship in 2021
• 2020 Genesis Invitational champion Adam Scott seeks second official win at this event (2005 victory is unofficial)
• Collin Morikawa can move to World No. 1 with a win if Jon Rahm (T60/E) finishes outside solo-fourth
• Notables to miss the cut include major champions Dustin Johnson, Brooks Koepka, Bubba Watson and Patrick Reed

Second-Round Lead Notes

- 4 Second-round leaders/co-leaders to win The Genesis Invitational since 2000 (Mike Weir/2004, Rory Sabbatini/2006, Phil Mickelson/2008, Dustin Johnson/2017)
4 Second-round leaders/co-leaders to win in 2021-22 (Most recent: Cameron Smith/Sentry Tournament of Champions)

Joaquin Niemann (1st/-16)

Table with 2 columns: Category and Entering the week. Rows include Age (23), Country (Chile), FedExCup (53), OWGR (32), Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career (100-1-19), Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2021-22 (7-0-2), and Starts – wins – top-10s at The Genesis Invitational (3-0-0).

- 126 (-16) sets 36-hole scoring record at The Genesis Invitational and bests his previous-low 36-hole total by one stroke (127/2019 A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier)
• Marks his ninth career round of 63 or better and his first time shooting back-to-back rounds of 63 or better
• Making fourth consecutive start at The Genesis Invitational (T44/2019, MC/2020, T43/2021)
• Posts 17 birdies or better, a career-high through 36 holes (previous best, 15/2021 Sentry Tournament of Champions)
• Holds 36-hole lead/co-lead for fourth time on PGA TOUR (2018 Memorial Tournament presented by Workday/T6, 2019 A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier/Won, 2021 Rocket Mortgage Classic/T2)
• Earned his first career PGA TOUR victory at the 2019 A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier

- Has two top-10s in seven starts this season (T5/World Wide Technology Championship at Mayakoba, T6/Farmers Insurance Open)

Cameron Young (2nd/-14)

- Shoots 29 (-6) on inward nine, including birdies on last four holes (Nos. 6-9) for 9-under 62 in first appearance at The Genesis Invitational; 62 marks his career low round on TOUR (34 rounds)
- Only other 29 on Riviera's front nine in last decade belongs to Dustin Johnson (R3/2018)
- First player to birdie holes 6, 7, 8 and 9 in The Genesis Invitational since Mark O'Meara (1992)
- Ranks No. 1 in par-3 scoring average this week (2.50)
- Former Wake Forest University golfer and Collegiate Showcase participant shot 75 in 2019 at Riviera paired with Bill Haas
- Had status on PGA TOUR Canada before a stretch of stellar play on the Korn Ferry Tour (via Monday qualifying); beginning at the 2020 Pinnacle Bank Championship, followed a T11 result with consecutive finishes of T14-T6-T2 to earn Special Temporary Membership for the 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour season; back-to-back Korn Ferry Tour wins in May of 2021 helped secure status as a 2021-22 PGA TOUR rookie
- Posted T2 at 2021 Sanderson Farms Championship for his lone top-10 in 11 previous starts on TOUR

Miscellaneous Notes

- **Justin Thomas** (3rd/-11) notches 58th bogey-free round on TOUR; 64 marks his 39th round of 7-under or better on TOUR, most of any player on TOUR since start of 2015 season; ranks No. 1 in Driving Accuracy through 36 holes with 20 of 28 fairways hit; runner-up at 2019 Genesis Invitational after holding 36-hole co-lead and 54-hole lead before final-round 75; making sixth start this season with three top-10s and zero finishes outside the top-20 in five prior starts
- 2020 Genesis Invitational champion **Adam Scott** (T4/-9) went bogey free en route to his fourth round of 65 or better at this event (50 rounds)
- **Jordan Spieth** (T4/-9) reached 10-under when he chipped in for eagle at the par-5 11th hole then parred his next six holes before three-putting the final green for bogey; eagle at No. 11 marked his 84th eagle on TOUR; runner-up two weeks ago at AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am; seeks his 13th career PGA TOUR title and first since 2021 Valero Texas Open
- En route to making his first cut in his fourth appearance at The Genesis Invitational, **Russell Knox** (T7/-7) posts eagles at No. 1 and No. 11, marking the first time in his 807 stroke-play rounds on TOUR to make two eagles in the same round
- **Jon Rahm** (73) and **Patrick Cantlay** (72) sit T60 at even-par after both ended lengthy consecutive par-or-better streaks, 34 rounds for Rahm and 32 rounds for Cantlay
- Lone amateur in the field **Michael Brennan**, the 2022 Collegiate Showcase winner, misses the cut (71-73—144/+2)
- Charlie Sifford Memorial Exemption recipient **Aaron Beverly** (MC/+14) shoots 74, improving on his opening-round 82 by eight strokes in his PGA TOUR debut