



**2022 Honda Classic**  
*(17<sup>th</sup> of 47 events in the 2021-22 PGA TOUR Season)*

**Palm Beach Gardens, Florida**  
**PGA National (Champion)**

**February 24-27, 2022**  
**Par/Yards: 35-35—70/7,125**

**FedExCup points: 500 (winner)**  
**Purse: \$8 million (\$1.44 million winner)**

**Final-Round Notes – Sunday, February 27, 2022**

***Weather:** Partly cloudy. High of 81. Wind SE 10-15 mph. Heavy rainfall to conclude the final round. No suspensions of play.*

**Final Leaderboard**

Sepp Straka	71-64-69-66—270 (-10)
Shane Lowry	70-67-67-67—271 (-9)
Kurt Kitayama	64-69-71-68—272 (-8)
Daniel Berger	65-65-69-74—273 (-7)

**Things to Know**

- Sepp Straka comes from five strokes back to win first PGA TOUR title; becomes the first player from Austria to win on TOUR
- Jupiter resident Daniel Berger becomes first player since Dustin Johnson at the 2017 WGC-HSBC Champions (six strokes) to lead by five or more strokes after 54 holes and fail to win; moves to 1-for-4 in converting 54-hole leads/co-leads to victory
- Runner-up Shane Lowry goes bogey-free in the final round for best finish on TOUR since win at 2019 Open Championship
- First-year member Kurt Kitayama finishes in the top-10 for the first time in his 26<sup>th</sup> career TOUR start

**Sepp Straka (1<sup>st</sup>/-10)**

Category	
Age	28 (May 1, 1993)
FedExCup	14
OWGR	83
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	95-1-8
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2021-22	14-1-1
Starts – wins – top-10s at The Honda Classic	4-1-1

- Earns his first PGA TOUR title in his 95<sup>th</sup> career start at the age of 28 years, 9 months, 26 days
- Final-round 71 marks high start by a winner on TOUR since Rory McIlroy at the 2021 Wells Fargo Championship (72)
- Sixth first-time winner of the season and fourth in the last five weeks (Lucas Herbert/Butterfield Bermuda Championship, Talor Gooch/The RSM Classic, Luke List/Farmers Insurance Open, Tom Hoge/AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Scottie Scheffler/WM Phoenix Open)
- Becomes first player to win The Honda Classic for maiden TOUR victory since Sungjae Im (2020)
- Entered the final round trailing by five strokes; largest final-round comeback at The Honda Classic since it moved to PGA National in 2007 (previous: 3 strokes, 3 different players); last player to come back from five or more strokes and win The Honda Classic: Pdraig Harrington, 2005, seven strokes (tournament record)
- Tied for largest final-round comeback on TOUR this season (Luke List, Farmers Insurance Open)
- First player from Austria to win on the PGA TOUR
- Two active PGA TOUR members from Austria: Straka and rookie Matthias Schwab, who finished T7
- 14<sup>th</sup> player from the University of Georgia to win on the PGA TOUR: Bubba Watson (12), Chip Beck (4), Harris English (4), Chris Kirk (4), Kevin Kisner (4), Billy Kratzert (4), Tim Simpson (4), Russell Henley (3), Hudson Swafford (3), Brendon Todd (3), Brian Harman (2), Ryuji Imada (1), Keith Mitchell (1) and Sepp Straka (1)
- One of three Georgia alums to finish in the top-10: Straka (Won), Chris Kirk (T7), Keith Mitchell (T9)
- Led the field in Driving Accuracy (83.93%), tying his career-best performance (2019 AT&T Byron Nelson/T29) and Strokes Gained: Off the Tee (1.261 per round) and; Led the field in Sand Saves (5-for-5)

### **Daniel Berger (4<sup>th</sup>/-7)**

- Records third top-10 in seventh start at The Honda Classic; 2<sup>nd</sup>/2015, T4/2020, 4<sup>th</sup>/2022
- Marks second top-10 in fourth start of the season: 4<sup>th</sup>/The Honda Classic, T5/Sentry Tournament of Champions
- Moves to 1-for-4 in converting 54-hole leads to victory (2016 FedEx St. Jude Classic/Won, 2016 Travelers Championship/T5, 2018 U.S. Open/T6, 2022 Honda Classic/4)
- Entered the final round leading by five shots, tied for largest 54-hole lead/co-lead in event history and the largest at PGA National (5; 1991/Steve Pate, 2011/Rory Sabbatini)
- Becomes first player since Dustin Johnson/2017 WGC-HSBC Champions (six strokes) to lead by five or more strokes through 54 holes, compete in the final round and fail to convert to victory on TOUR
- Becomes second player to record a 54-hole total of 11-under or better at The Honda Classic and not win (2022/Daniel Berger/-11/4<sup>th</sup>, 2014/Rory McIlroy/-12/T2)
- Ended streak of seven consecutive rounds at par or better at PGA National (was longest active streak)
- Recorded two bogeys through 54 holes (R2/par-3 15<sup>th</sup> R3/par-5 18<sup>th</sup>), tied for fewest by a player through three rounds in the event (4<sup>th</sup> instance, most recent: 2012/Tom Gillis); recorded four bogeys and one double-bogey in final round

### **Miscellaneous Notes**

- Runner-up **Shane Lowry** made only four bogeys (and no double-bogeys or worse), setting the record for fewest over-par holes in the event since it moved to PGA National in 2007
- **Gary Woodland** (T5) records fourth top-10 in his ninth start at The Honda Classic; marks second top-10 of the season (T9/THE CJ CUP @ SUMMIT)
- **Alex Noren** (T5), records his second top-10 in last three starts (WM Phoenix Open/T6, The Honda Classic/T5); marks second top-five finish in five starts at The Honda Classic (3<sup>rd</sup>/2018)
- In his first start in the event since 2020, **Brooks Koepka** finishes T16
- Argentina's **Martin Contini**, one of three Open Qualifiers to make the cut, finishes T16 in his PGA TOUR debut