



**2022 PLAYERS Championship**  
*(20<sup>th</sup> of 47 events in the 2021-22 PGA TOUR Season)*

**Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida**  
**TPC Sawgrass (THE PLAYERS Stadium)**

**March 10-13, 2022**  
**Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,256**

**FedExCup points: 600 (winner)**  
**Purse: \$20 million (\$3.6 million winner)**

**Final-Round Notes – Monday, March 14, 2022**

**Weather:** Mostly cloudy with scattered showers. High of 67 Wind E 10-20 mph.

**Final Leaderboard**

Cameron Smith	69-71-69-66—275 (-13)
Anirban Lahiri	67-73-67-69—276 (-12)
Paul Casey	70-69-69-69—277 (-11)
Kevin Kisner	68-74-68-68—278 (-10)
Keegan Bradley	72-71-68-68—279 (-9)

**Things to Know**

- Cameron Smith wins THE PLAYERS Championship, earning his fifth PGA TOUR title and second of the season
- Smith becomes the third consecutive winner of the event to enter the week in the top 10 of the Official World Golf Ranking and 13<sup>th</sup> since the inception of the OWGR in 1986
- Smith becomes the fifth Australian to win THE PLAYERS, joining Steve Elkington (1991, 1997), Greg Norman (1994), Adam Scott (2004) and Jason Day (2016)
- THE PLAYERS Championship becomes the first PGA TOUR event with an unscheduled Monday finish since the 2021 FedEx St. Jude Championship (first event of FedExCup Playoffs)

**Cameron Smith (Winner/-13)**

Category	With the victory
Age	28 years, 6 months, 24 days
FedExCup	No. 2
OWGR	No. 6
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	160-5-30
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2021-22	7-2-4
Starts – wins – top-10s at THE PLAYERS	5-1-1

- Earns fifth PGA TOUR title in 160<sup>th</sup> career start at the age of 28 years, 6 months, 24 days
- Five PGA TOUR wins (all by one stroke or in a playoff)
  - 2022 PLAYERS Championship
  - 2022 Sentry Tournament of Champions
  - 2021 Zurich Classic of New Orleans (with partner Marc Leishman)
  - 2020 Sony Open in Hawaii
  - 2017 Zurich Classic of New Orleans (with partner Jonas Blixt)
- Third player to win multiple times this season (first multi-win season of PGA TOUR career)
  - Cameron Smith, Sentry Tournament of Champions and THE PLAYERS Championship
  - Scottie Scheffler, WM Phoenix Open and Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard
  - Hideki Matsuyama, ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP and Sony Open in Hawaii
- Fifth Australian to win THE PLAYERS (16<sup>th</sup> winner from outside the United States)
  - Cameron Smith, 2022
  - Jason Day, 2016
  - Adam Scott, 2004
  - Greg Norman, 1994
  - Steve Elkington, 1991 and 1997
- Moves from No. 10 to No. 2 in the FedExCup standings, the highest position of his career
- Moves from No. 10 to No. 6 in the Official World Golf Ranking, the highest position of his career

- One of three players with wins in each of the last three PGA TOUR seasons, including the current season (others: Viktor Hovland, Rory McIlroy)
- Earns a five-year exemption on the PGA TOUR with the victory (fully exempt through the 2026-27 season)
- 13<sup>th</sup> winner of THE PLAYERS Championship since the inception of the OWGR in 1986 and third consecutive to enter the week in the top 10 of the Official World Golf Ranking

Year	Winner	OWGR
2022	Cameron Smith	10
2021	Justin Thomas	3
2019	Rory McIlroy	6
2016	Jason Day	1
2013	Tiger Woods	1
2009	Henrik Stenson	9
2007	Phil Mickelson	3
2003	Davis Love III	7
2001	Tiger Woods	1
1999	David Duval	2
1994	Greg Norman	1
1993	Nick Price	5
1989	Tom Kite	7

- Second consecutive week on TOUR with a winner that entered the week in the top 10 of the Official World Golf Ranking (Scottie Scheffler/No. 6/Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, Smith/No. 10/THE PLAYERS Championship); first back-to-back top-10 winners since Patrick Cantlay won the 2021 BMW Championship (No. 10) and 2021 TOUR Championship (No. 4)
- Led the field in Strokes Gained: Putting with a career-best mark of 2.880 per round (previous: 2.643, 2015 RBC Heritage)
- Led the field in SG: Putting in all three of his individual titles on the PGA TOUR (2020 Sony Open in Hawaii, 2022 Sentry Tournament of Champions, 2022 PLAYERS Championship)
- Third winner of THE PLAYERS in the ShotLink era (2003-present) to lead the field in SG: Putting
  - Cameron Smith, 2022
  - Webb Simpson, 2018
  - Tim Clark, 2010
- Fourth winner on the PGA TOUR this season to lead the field in SG: Putting
  - Cameron Smith, THE PLAYERS Championship
  - Hideki Matsuyama, Sony Open in Hawaii
  - Smith, Sentry Tournament of Champions
  - Rory McIlroy, THE CJ CUP @ SUMMIT
- Made 10 birdies in the final round, tying the most in a round at THE PLAYERS Championship (**Patton Kizzire** also made 10 in the final round)

#### 10 birdies in a round at THE PLAYERS Championship

Year	Player	Round
2022	Cameron Smith	R4
<b>2022</b>	<b>Patton Kizzire</b>	<b>R4</b>
2016	Colt Knost	R2
2015	Justin Thomas	R3

#### Miscellaneous notes

- **Anirban Lahiri** (solo-2<sup>nd</sup>) earns the second runner-up finish of his PGA TOUR career and first since the 2017 Memorial Tournament presented by Workday (T2)
- With a final-round 63, **Dustin Johnson** ties the lowest 18-hole score in tournament history (ninth instance); marks Johnson's lowest score on the PGA TOUR since the final round of the 2020 FedEx St. Jude Championship (63)

#### 63s at THE PLAYERS Championship

Year	Player	Round
2022	Dustin Johnson	R4
2018	Brooks Koepka	R4
2018	Webb Simpson	R2
2016	Colt Knost	R2
2016	Jason Day	R1
2014	Martin Kaymer	R1

2013	Roberto Castro	R1
1994	Greg Norman	R1
1992	Fred Couples	R3

- **Russell Henley** (T13) holed out from 240 yards for albatross at No. 11, the sixth at THE PLAYERS (1983-present) and third at No. 11; marks the second albatross on the PGA TOUR this season (first: Abraham Ancer, THE CJ CUP @ SUMMIT)

#### Albatrosses at THE PLAYERS

Year	Player	Hole	Rd.
2022	Russell Henley	No. 11	R4
2019	Harris English	No. 11	R1
2018	Brooks Koepka	No. 16	R4
2017	Rafa Cabrera Bello	No. 16	R4
2007	Peter Lonard	No. 2	R3
2007	Hunter Mahan	No. 11	R2

#### Thursday weather summary *all times ET*

**Weather:** Cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. High of 72. Wind SW 8-16 mph.

**Delay:** The start of the first round was delayed one hour due to overnight rain and thunderstorms and began at 7:45 a.m.

**First suspension:** The first round was suspended at 11 a.m. due to dangerous weather in the area and resumed at 3:14 p.m. (4 hours, 14 minutes).

**Second suspension:** Due to darkness, the first round was suspended for the day at 6:36 p.m. 69 of 72 players in the morning wave completed the first round Thursday (all but the group of Hank Lebioda, Henrik Norlander, Taylor Pendrith). 60 of 72 players in the afternoon wave began the first round Thursday (none completed).

**Rainfall:** 1.75 inches (1.30 overnight before play Thursday, 0.45 inches during the suspension); 2.05 inches total for the week.

**Preferred lies:** Preferred lies in effect for the first round.

**Notes:** Last delay or suspension of play due to weather at THE PLAYERS: R2, 2016; last on TOUR: R1, 2021 Houston Open

#### Friday weather summary *all times ET*

**Weather:** Cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. High of 71. Wind SSE 6-12 mph.

**First-round resumption:** The first round resumed at 7:15 a.m. The morning wave completed the first round at 7:48 a.m.

**Suspension:** Due to unplayable course conditions, the first round was suspended at 11:15 a.m. The second round was scheduled to begin at 11:20 a.m. Lightning later developed, causing a dangerous weather situation. At the time of suspension, 96 players had completed the first round and 47 players were left to complete the round (Luke List withdrew due to a neck injury during the round Friday).

**Called for the day:** Play did not resume Friday after the suspension of play at 11:15 a.m. and was called for the day at 3 p.m.

**Rainfall:** 2.10 inches; 4.15 inches total for the week.

**Preferred lies:** Preferred lies in effect for the first round.

#### Saturday weather summary *all times ET*

**Weather (morning):** Cloudy with showers and thunderstorms. High of 70. Wind SW 20-30 mph.

**Weather (afternoon):** Partly cloudy. High of 65. Wind WNW 20-30 mph, with gusts to 35 mph.

**First-round resumption:** The first round resumed at noon and was completed at 2:01 p.m., 54 hours, 16 minutes after it began (55 hours, 16 minutes after it was scheduled to begin). It was announced Friday at 3 p.m. that play would not resume before 11 a.m. Saturday.

**Beginning of second round:** The second round began at noon ET. First wave of tee times: noon-2:01 p.m.; second wave: 5:10-7:11 p.m.

**Called for the day:** Due to darkness, the second round was suspended at 6:29 p.m. ET. 48 of 71 players in the first wave completed the second round Saturday. 45 of 72 players in the second wave began the second round Saturday (none completed).

**Rainfall:** 0.65 inches; 4.80 inches for the week.

**Preferred lies:** Preferred lies in effect for the first and second rounds.

#### Sunday weather summary *all times ET*

**Weather:** Mostly sunny. High of 54. Wind NE 10-20 mph.

**Second-round resumption:** The second round resumed at 8:15 a.m. and was completed at 3:08 p.m.

**Beginning of third round:** The third round began at 3:15 p.m. (starting times: 3:15-5:16 p.m. in threesomes off Nos. 1 and 10).

**Called for the day:** Due to darkness, the third round was suspended at 7:32 p.m. with no players completing the round.

**Rainfall:** None

**Preferred lies:** Preferred lies in effect for the second round, but not the third round.

**Monday weather summary** *all times ET*

**Weather:** Mostly cloudy. High of 67. Wind E 10-20 mph.

**Third-round resumption:** The third round resumed at 8 a.m. and was completed at 10:54 a.m.

**Beginning of final round:** The final round began at 11 a.m. (starting times: 11 a.m. – 1:01 p.m. in threesomes off Nos. 1 and 10).

**Rainfall:** None

**Preferred lies:** Preferred lies not in effect for third and final rounds

**Monday finishes at THE PLAYERS Championship (8):** 1974, 1976, 1981, 1983, 2000, 2001, 2005, 2022

**Unscheduled Monday finishes on the PGA TOUR since the start of the 2016-17 season (9)**

2022 PLAYERS Championship

2021 FedEx St. Jude Championship

2019 ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP

2019 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am

2018 BMW Championship

2018 Barbasol Championship

2018 Farmers Insurance Open

2017 Zurich Classic of New Orleans

2016 RSM Classic

**Morgan Stanley Eagles for Impact Challenge**

As part of its Eagles for Impact Challenge, Morgan Stanley will donate \$5,000 for every eagle made at THE PLAYERS to First Tee – a youth development organization that enables kids to build the strength of character that empowers them through a lifetime of new challenges – to help support the recruitment, development and retention of diverse coaches to mentor the next generation. Here’s a breakdown of eagles made and dollars donated:

<b>Round</b>	<b>Eagles</b>	<b>Donations (in \$ amount)</b>
R1	16	\$80,000
R2	8	\$40,000
R3	8	\$40,000
R4	9	\$45,000
Total	41	\$205,000