

# Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS Championship



## Third-Round Notes

Saturday, July 9, 2022

Firestone Country Club (South Course) | Akron, Ohio

14th of 27 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2022 Season

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- **Course Setup:** Par 70 / 7,024 yards
- **Round 3 Scoring Average:** 71.141
- **Cumulative Scoring Average:** 71.168
- **Weather:** Mostly sunny with highs in the mid-80s
- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Final-Round Tee Times](#)
- [PGATOURMedia.com](http://PGATOURMedia.com)

	Player	To Par	Scores
T1	Jerry Kelly	-9	67-69-65 – 201
T1	Alex Cejka	-9	64-70-67 – 201
T3	Steve Stricker	-7	70-65-68 – 203
T3	Steven Alker	-7	68-66-69 – 203
5	Ernie Els	-6	67-68-69 – 204

### Things to Know

- 2020 champion **Jerry Kelly** and two-time senior major winner **Alex Cejka** share the lead entering the final round by two strokes over defending champion **Steve Stricker** and Charles Schwab Cup leader **Steven Alker**, who each won one of the first three majors of the 2022 season.
- The top 4 players on the leaderboard have combined to win six of the last nine majors on PGA TOUR Champions, dating back to the start of the 2020 calendar year: Cejka (2), Stricker (2), Alker (1) and Kelly (1)

### Jerry Kelly, 67-69-65 – 201 (-9)

- This is his ninth time leading/co-leading entering the final round on PGA TOUR Champions
  - Is 4-for-8 converting those into victories
  - Is 1-for-2 in 72-hole tournaments
- Will play in the last group of the final round of the Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS for the third consecutive year
  - Finished 1st (2020) and 2nd (2021)
- Charles Schwab No. 6 will play in the last group of the final round for the second time this season
  - Finished 4th at the Cologuard Classic
- 55-year-old seeks his 10th win on PGA TOUR Champions (117th start)
  - Has won at least once in each of his five seasons on PGA TOUR Champions
- Seeks his second win of the season (14th start)
  - Won the Principal Charity Classic
  - Would be the third multi-time winner on PGA TOUR Champions this season, joining Steven Alker (3) and Miguel Angel Jimenez (2)
- Seeks his second major win on PGA TOUR Champions (2020 Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS)

### Alex Cejka, 64-70-67 – 201 (-9)

- This is his second time leading/co-leading entering the final round on PGA TOUR Champions
  - Is 0-for-1 converting those into victories
- Will play in the last group of the final round for the first time this season
- 51-year-old seeks his third win on PGA TOUR Champions (33rd start)

- Each of his first two wins were senior majors (2021 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship, 2021 Regions Tradition)
- Making his 14th start of the season, his best finish is T2 (Rapiscan Systems Classic)

**Other Notes**

- Defending champion **Steve Stricker** sits T3 at 7-under. The Charles Schwab No. 4 looks to become the third player to capture consecutive Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS titles (Bernhard Langer, 2015, 2016; Arnold Palmer, 1985). Stricker, who captured the first major of the season (Regions Tradition), will play in the last group of the final round for the third time in 2022.
- Charles Schwab No. 1 **Steven Alker** sits T3 at 7-under. He seeks his fourth win of the season and second major victory of 2022 (KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship).
- World Golf Hall of Fame member **Ernie Els** sits fifth at 6-under.
- The four players T6 at 5-under are **K.J. Choi, Rob Labritz, Marco Dawson** and **David Toms**.