

## Charles Schwab Cup Championship

### Third-Round Notes

**Saturday, November 12, 2022**

Phoenix Country Club | Phoenix, Arizona

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

3rd of 3 events in the Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs



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- **Course Setup:** Par 71 / 6,815 yards
- **Round 3 Scoring Average:** 69.333
- **Cumulative Scoring Average:** 68.859
- **Weather:** Mostly sunny with temps in the mid-70s
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	Player	To Par	Scores	Schwab Cup Standings	
				Start	Projected
1	Padraig Harrington	-21	66-64-62 – 192	2nd	2nd
2	Steven Alker	-16	65-64-68 – 197	1st	1st
3	Brian Gay	-15	67-65-66 – 198	32nd	16th
4	Alex Cejka	-14	68-68-63 – 199	11th	10th
5	Retief Goosen	-13	68-64-68 – 200	19th	11th

### Things to Know

- Charles Schwab No. 2 **Padraig Harrington** carded 9-under 62 to build a five-stroke lead over Charles Schwab Cup leader **Steven Alker** entering the final round.
- Alker entered the week with a 617,980-point lead over Harrington in the Charles Schwab Cup standings. Harrington needs a win, and [help from Alker, to capture the Charles Schwab Cup](#).

### Padraig Harrington, 66-64-62 – 192 (-21)

*Charles Schwab Cup standings – Start: 2nd / Projected: 2nd*

- Today's 62 is his lowest 18-hole score on PGA TOUR Champions (63rd round)
  - Matched the second-lowest 18-hole score by any player this season on PGA TOUR Champions
    - Low 18-hole score: 60 (Fred Couples/R3/SAS Championship)
- His 54-hole score (192) is the lowest in Charles Schwab Cup Championship history
  - It is Harrington's low 54-hole score on PGA TOUR Champions
    - Previous: 199 (2022 Ascension Charity Classic)
  - It is the lowest 54-hole score by any player this season on PGA TOUR Champions
    - Previous: 196 (three times)
  - It is one stroke higher than the PGA TOUR Champions record for low 54-hole score
    - 191 has been posted six times in PGA TOUR Champions history
- His 126 total over the last 36 holes (64-62) is the low 36-hole score (any rounds) by any player this season on PGA TOUR Champions
  - Previous: 127 (Steven Alker, 62-65 (R2/R3), Rapiscan Systems Classic)

- This is his first time posting three consecutive rounds of 66-or-better on any Tour since November 2004 (64-65-66)
- Matched his own largest 54-hole lead in a 72-hole tournament this season by any player on PGA TOUR Champions (5 strokes/U.S. Senior Open)
- 51-year-old seeks his fourth win of the season (19th start)
  - Would match Steven Alker (4) and Steve Stricker (4) for the most by any player on PGA TOUR Champions this season
- This is his third time leading/co-leading entering the final round on PGA TOUR Champions
  - Is 2-for-2 converting those into victories
  - It is his second time in a 72-hole event (1-for-1)
- Will play in the last group of the final round for the sixth time this season
  - Is 3-for-5 converting those into victories
- Needs a win on Sunday, and help from No. 1 Steven Alker, to claim the 880,000 points necessary to capture the Charles Schwab Cup
  - Alker would have to finish in a 10-way T2 -OR- 8-way T3 -OR- 5-way T4 -OR- 3-way T5 -OR- 6th place or worse for Harrington, with a win, to claim the Charles Schwab Cup
- Making his debut at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship, he owns nine top-3s in 20 starts on PGA TOUR Champions

### Steven Alker, 65-64-68 – 197 (-16)

*Charles Schwab Cup standings – Start: 1st / Projected: 1st*

- Is the lone player in the field without a bogey after 54 holes
  - In all, he has gone 57 consecutive holes without a bogey or worse on PGA TOUR Champions
    - Made triple bogey on the 15th hole in the final round of the TimberTech Championship
- This is his low 54-hole score on PGA TOUR Champions (197)
  - Previous: 198 (two times)
- Will play in the last group of the final round for the seventh time this season
  - Is 3-for-6 converting those into victories
- Charles Schwab Cup leader seeks his fifth win of the season (23rd start)
  - Would be the most by any player on PGA TOUR Champions this season
    - Currently tied with Steve Stricker (4) for the most wins this season
  - Would be the most single-season wins by a player on PGA TOUR Champions since Bernhard Langer (7 wins in 2017)
  - Would become the 27th player in PGA TOUR Champions history to earn five or more wins in a season
- 51-year-old seeks his sixth win on PGA TOUR Champions (33rd start)
- This is his eighth time in the top 2 on the leaderboard entering the final round on PGA TOUR Champions
- Making his second start at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship, his position by round at this event is T4-2nd-T3-2nd-T1-1st-2nd
- Has led the Charles Schwab Cup standings for 20 consecutive weeks, and is currently projected to win the Cup by 237,980 points over No. 2 Pádraig Harrington

### Other Notes

- Seeking his first win on PGA TOUR Champions, rookie **Brian Gay** sits in third at 15-under.
  - Best finish: 4th (Chubb Classic)
- **Alex Cejka**, who owns two wins on PGA TOUR Champions, carded 8-under 63 and sits in fourth at 14-under.
  - Best finish this season: T2 (Rapiscan Systems Classic)