

2022 SANFORD INTERNATIONAL: PRE-TOURNAMENT NOTES



CHAMPIONS



Friday: 9:30-11:30 p.m. ET (Tape Delay) - Saturday: 9:30-11:30 p.m. ET (Tape Delay) - Sunday: 9:30-11:30 p.m. ET (Tape Delay)

September 16 - 18 • PGA TOUR Champions

Sioux Falls, South Dakota • Minnehaha Country Club • Par 70 • 6,729 yards

Purse: \$2,000,000 • Winner: \$300,000

78 players • 54-hole event

Defending champion: Darren Clarke



CHARLES SCHWAB CUP LEADERS

Top-10 Standings Entering Sanford International

Pos.	Player	Money
1	Steven Alker	\$2,565,481
2	Padraig Harrington	\$2,430,703
3	Jerry Kelly	\$1,890,500
4	Steve Stricker	\$1,873,725
5	Miguel Angel Jimenez	\$1,835,413
6	Stephen Ames	\$1,252,616
7	Bernhard Langer	\$1,226,685
8	Thongchai Jaidee	\$1,110,299
9	Ernie Els	\$1,100,595
10	Alex Cejka	\$911,168



STORYLINES - SANFORD INTERNATIONAL

Tournament Preview: PGA TOUR Champions returns to Sioux Falls, South Dakota for the Sanford International, played at Minnehaha Country Club. This is the second of three tournaments on the Champions Tour in September, as the Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs draw closer.

Winners, Winners: The 2022 PGA TOUR Champions season has seen the same five names dominating the leaderboards on Sunday, with **Steven Alker** (three wins), **Padraig Harrington** (three wins), **Jerry Kelly** (three wins), **Steve Stricker** (two wins) and **Miguel Angel Jimenez** (three wins) winning 14 of the 20 events this year. They stand as the top five on the Charles Schwab Cup leaderboard as the regular season draws closer to its conclusion.

Players to Watch: Defending champion **Darren Clarke** - winner of the 2022 Senior Open Presented by Rolex - is one of all four past champions in the field this week. Clarke won the 2021 Sanford International in a playoff over **K.J. Choi** and **Steve Flesch**, both of whom are in the field again this year. PGA TOUR Champions rookies **David Duval** and **Y.E. Yang** are each making their first appearance at this event. 2022 Presidents Cup U.S. Team Captain **Davis Love III** will also be competing at Sanford International.

2022 SEASON WINNERS

PGA TOUR Champions Regular Season

Mitsubishi Electric Champ. at Hualalai.....	Miguel Angel Jimenez
Chubb Classic.....	Bernhard Langer
Cologuard Classic.....	Miguel Angel Jimenez
Hoag Classic.....	Retief Goosen
Rapiscan Systems Classic.....	Steven Alker
ClubCorp Classic.....	Scott Parel
Insperty Invitational.....	Steven Alker
Mitsubishi Electric Classic.....	Steve Flesch
Regions Tradition.....	Steve Stricker
KitchenAid Senior PGA Champ.....	Steven Alker
Principal Charity Classic.....	Jerry Kelly
American Family Insurance Champ.....	Thongchai Jaidee
U.S. Senior Open Champ.....	Padraig Harrington
Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS.....	Jerry Kelly
The Senior Open.....	Darren Clarke
Shaw Charity Classic.....	Jerry Kelly
Boeing Classic.....	Miguel Angel Jimenez
DICK'S Sporting Goods Open.....	Padraig Harrington
The Ally Challenge.....	Steve Stricker
Ascension Charity Classic.....	Padraig Harrington
Sanford International.....	Sept. 12-18 (Sioux Falls, SD)
PURE Insurance Champ.....	Sept. 19-25 (Pebble Beach, CA)
Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS.....	Oct. 3-9 (Jacksonville, FL)
SAS Championship.....	Oct. 10-16 (Cary, NC)

Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs

Dominion Energy Charity Classic.....	Oct. 17-23 (Richmond, VA)
TimberTech Champ.....	Oct. 31-Nov. 6 (Boca Raton, FL)
Charles Schwab Cup Champ.....	Nov. 7-13 (Phoenix, AZ)

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SCORING RECORDS - SANFORD INTERNATIONAL

Category	Value	Player	Year
Low 18-hole score	62	Twice; last: Scott Parel (Round 3)	2020
Low 36-hole score	130	Twice; last: Brandt Jobe/Steve Stricker	2018
Low 54-hole score	196	Miguel Angel Jimenez	2020
Holes-in-one		None	
Largest 18-hole lead	1	Kirk Triplett	2019
Largest 36-hole lead		N/A	
Largest margin of victory	4	Steve Stricker	2018
Largest come from behind win	3	Rocco Mediate	2019
Playoffs	1	Darren Clarke over K.J. Choi and Steve Flesch	2021
Wire-to-wire winners		None	
Successful title defenses		None	

PAST CHAMPIONS - SANFORD INTERNATIONAL

2021	Darren Clarke*
2020	Miguel Angel Jimenez
2019	Rocco Mediate
2018	Steve Stricker

bold denotes player in 2022 field

** denotes player won in a playoff*



STRENGTH OF FIELD - SANFORD INTERNATIONAL

Six (6) World Golf Hall of Fame members

- Fred Couples
- Ernie Els
- Bernhard Langer
- Davis Love III
- Colin Montgomerie
- Jose Maria Olazabal



Sanford International by the Numbers (as of 9/14):

PGA TOUR Major Winners.....	14
Champions Tour Major Winners.....	24
PGA TOUR Winners.....	51
Combined PGA TOUR Titles.....	279
Champions Tour Winners.....	50
Combined Champions Tour Titles.....	250
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