

# U.S. Senior Open

## Second-Round Notes

Friday, June 24, 2022

Saucon Valley Country Club | Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

13th of 27 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2022 Season



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- **Course Setup:** Par 71 / 6,963 yards
- **Round 2 Scoring Average:** 74.312
- **Cumulative Scoring Average:** 75.227
- **Weather:** Partly cloudy with temperatures in low 80s
- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Third-Round Tee Times](#)
- [PGATOURMedia.com](http://PGATOURMedia.com)
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	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Padraig Harrington	-6	71-65 – 136
2	Steve Stricker	-5	68-69 – 137
3	Rob Labritz	-4	69-69 – 138
T4	Rocco Mediate	-3	68-71 – 139
T4	Thongchai Jaidee	-3	70-69 – 139
T4	Jay Haas	-3	67-72 – 139
T4	Steven Alker	-3	72-67 – 139
T4	Gene Sauers	-3	72-67 – 139

### Things to Know

- **Padraig Harrington** posted 6-under 65 to climb the leaderboard and leads **Steve Stricker** by one stroke at the halfway point of the U.S. Senior Open.
  - Stricker and Harrington, who served as team captains for the United States and Europe at the 2021 Ryder Cup, finished first and second at the first senior major of the 2022 season (Regions Tradition).
- **36-hole cut:** 64 players posted 5-over or better to make the cut from a field of 156 players.

### Padraig Harrington, 71-65 – 136 (-6)

- This is his first time holding the outright lead after any round on PGA TOUR Champions
  - In eight previous starts on the Champions Tour, his best position was T1 (R1/2022 Rapiscan Systems Classic)
- Matched his second-lowest 18-hole score on PGA TOUR Champions (24 rounds)
- 50-year-old seeks his first win on PGA TOUR Champions
  - Has three runner-up finishes in six starts this season
- Seeks his first win since the 2016 Portugal Masters (DP World Tour)
  - Owns six wins on the PGA TOUR (most recent: 2015 Honda Classic)
- A win by Harrington on Sunday would be the 11th victory by a player from Ireland on PGA TOUR Champions, as he would join Mark McNulty (8) and Des Smyth (2)
- Currently No. 10 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings

### Steve Stricker, 68-69 – 137 (-5)

- Making his second appearance at the U.S. Senior Open, he won in his debut (2019)
  - Has a 66.33 scoring average in this event (six rounds)
  - Position by round at the U.S. Senior Open (in chronological order): T1-1st-1st-1st-T3-2nd

- Looks to become the third multiple-time winner this season on PGA TOUR Champions, joining Steven Alker (3) and Miguel Angel Jimenez (2)
  - Would be Stricker's fourth consecutive multi-win season on PGA TOUR Champions
- Seeks his ninth win on PGA TOUR Champions
- Seeks his fifth senior major title
  - Won each of his last two senior major starts
- Currently No. 7 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings

**Stricker's Position by Round in His Last 3 Major Starts on PGA TOUR Champions**

Major	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Finish
2022 U.S. Senior Open	T3	2nd		
2022 Regions Tradition	1st	1st	1st	Won
2021 Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS	1st	1st	1st	Won

**Stricker's Results in Majors on PGA TOUR Champions**

Major	Result
2022 U.S. Senior Open	
2022 Regions Tradition	<b>Won</b>
2021 Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS	<b>Won</b>
2021 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship	T11
2021 Regions Tradition	2nd
2020 Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS	T23
2019 Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS	6th
2019 U.S. Senior Open	<b>Won</b>
2019 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship	T41
2019 Regions Tradition	<b>Won</b>
2018 Regions Tradition	T2
2017 Regions Tradition	T13

**Other Notes**

- **Rob Labritz**, who earned medalist honors at PGA TOUR Champions Q-School (Final Stage) in December, sits in third after back-to-back 69s. Making his 12th start on the Champions Tour, this is his best position after any round.
- Charles Schwab Cup leader **Steven Alker**, seeking back-to-back senior major victories, posted 4-under 67 and sits T4, along with 68-year-old and first-round co-leader **Jay Haas**, 2016 U.S. Senior Open champion **Gene Sauers**, 2016 KitchenAid Senior PGA Champion **Rocco Mediate** and **Thongchai Jaidee**, who won the most recent event on PGA TOUR Champions (American Family Insurance Championship).
- First-round co-leader **Mark Hensby** carded 2-over 73 and sits T9, along with two-time senior major champion **Alex Cejka** and **Doug Barron**.
- 2010 U.S. Senior Open champion and Charles Schwab No. 3 **Bernhard Langer** (74-75) missed the cut for the first time in his PGA TOUR Champions career. He was previously 64-for-64 making the cut in senior majors before Friday.
- Charles Schwab No. 2 **Miguel Angel Jimenez** matched the competitive course record with 7-under 64 to move from T112 to T22 on the leaderboard. Jimenez had a 15-stroke improvement after opening with 8-over 79 on Thursday.