



2022 Hero World Challenge (unofficial PGA TOUR event)

New Providence, Bahamas
Albany

December 1-4, 2022
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,449

Purse: \$3.5 million
Winner: \$1 million

First-Round Notes – Thursday, December 1, 2022

Weather: Partly cloudy with isolated showers. High of 83. Wind NE 10-20 mph, with gusts to 25 mph. Preferred lies were in effect due to wet course conditions.

First-Round Leaderboard

Tom Kim	69 (-3)
Sepp Straka	69 (-3)
Collin Morikawa	69 (-3)
Viktor Hovland	69 (-3)
Sam Burns	70 (-2)

Things to Know

- Defending champion Viktor Hovland cards a 3-under 69 and is tied for the lead after the first round of the Hero World Challenge with Tom Kim, Collin Morikawa and Sepp Straka
- Straka got into the field when tournament host Tiger Woods withdrew on Monday
- Four players tied for the lead is the most after any round in tournament history
- No 18-hole leader/co-leader has won the Hero World Challenge since it moved to Albany in 2015

Viktor Hovland (T1/-3)

- Won the 2021 Hero World Challenge by one stroke over Scottie Scheffler
- Has never held the 18-hole lead/co-lead in an official stroke-play event on the PGA TOUR
- One successful title defense on the PGA TOUR: 2021 World Wide Technology Championship
- One player has successfully defended Hero World Challenge title: Tiger Woods, 2007 (at Sherwood Country Club); 22nd edition of the tournament

Tom Kim (T1/-3)

- Only player in the field that did not record a bogey in the first round
- Has never held the 18-hole lead/co-lead in an official stroke-play event on the PGA TOUR
- One of seven players in the field making tournament debut
- Earned his second PGA TOUR title at the Shriners Children's Open during the fall portion of the 2022-23 season, becoming the first player since Tiger Woods to win twice on TOUR before turning 21

Collin Morikawa (T1/-3)

- Has held the 18-hole lead/co-lead in three official stroke-play events on the PGA TOUR (1-for-3): 2020 Sony Open in Hawaii (T21), 2020 Workday Charity Open (P1), 2021 Memorial Tournament presented by Workday (P2)
- Held a five-stroke lead entering the final round in 2021 and recorded a 4-over 76 to finish T5 (would have moved to No. 1 in the Official World Golf Ranking for the first time in his career with a victory)
- Made three starts during the fall portion of the 2022-23 season (best result: T15, World Wide Technology Championship)

Sepp Straka (T1/-3)

- Got into the field on Monday when tournament host Tiger Woods withdrew due to a foot injury
- Has held the 18-hole lead/co-lead in three official stroke-play events on the PGA TOUR (0-for-3): 2018 Fortinet Championship (T46), 2019 Valspar Championship (T46), 2020 Corales Puntacana Championship (T33)
- One of seven players in the field making tournament debut
- Lost in a playoff twice in his last nine starts on TOUR: FedEx St. Jude Championship, Sanderson Farms Championship
- Earned his first PGA TOUR title at the 2022 Honda Classic