



2023 John Deere Classic

(The 38th of 44 events in the PGA TOUR Regular Season)

Silvis, Illinois
TPC Deere Run

July 6 – 9, 2023
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,289

FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)
Purse: \$7,400,000 (\$1,332,000)

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, July 9, 2023

Weather: Mostly sunny. High of 84. Wind NW 6-12 mph, gusting to 15 mph.

Final-Round Leaderboard

Sepp Straka	73-63-65-62—263 (-21)
Brendon Todd	66-65-66-68—265 (-19)
Alex Smalley	66-70-62-67—265 (-19)
Ludvig Aberg	68-64-71-63—266 (-18)
Adam Schenk	65-66-67-68—266 (-18)

Things to Know

- Despite sitting T133 after an opening-round 73, Sepp Straka wins second PGA TOUR title with final-round 62
- Straka becomes the first player since 1992 to win John Deere Classic with an over-par round during the week
- Three-time TOUR winner Brendon Todd finishes T2 for the second time this season (AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am)
- Ludvig Aberg (T4) records his best finish in ninth start on TOUR
- Adam Schenk posts third top-10 in five starts at John Deere Classic (T6/2019, T4/2021, T4/2023)
- J.T. Poston finishes T6 in a bid to become the fourth player to successfully defend a John Deere Classic title
- Peter Kuest (T17) becomes eligible for PGA TOUR Special Temporary Membership

Sepp Straka (Won/-21)

Category	With the win
Age	30 (May 1, 1993)
Country	Austria
FedExCup	No. 18
OWGR	No. 27
Starts-wins-top-10s (career)	137-2-16
Starts-wins-top-10s (season)	23-1-4
Starts-wins-top-10s (JDC)	3-1-1

- Following a 7-under 28 on the front nine, adds four consecutive birdies at Nos. 11-14 to stand 11-under through 14 holes for the day before a double bogey at the final hole, where he hit his approach in the water, resulted in a 9-under 62
- Wins second PGA TOUR title in his 137th start at 30 years, 2 months, 8 days; first victory was 2022 Honda Classic
- Shot over-par opening rounds in both victories (71/+1/The Honda Classic, 73/+2/John Deere Classic)
- First player since 1992 to win this event with an over-par round during the week (David Frost/72/+2/R4)
- Sat T133 after the first round, marking the lowest position of a PGA TOUR winner on record (since 1983); previous: T123/Ian Poulter/2018 Texas Children's Houston Open
- First-round 73 was 11 strokes behind Jonas Blixt's leading 62, setting the tournament record for largest comeback after 18 holes (previous: 8 strokes/most recent, Jordan Spieth, 2015)
- Last player to double bogey the 72nd hole and win: Emiliano Grillo/2023 Charles Schwab Challenge
- 28 marks his lowest nine-hole score on TOUR (previous: 29/R2/back nine at 2020 RSM Classic) and ties five players with the lowest nine-hole score in tournament history (Fuzzy Zoeller/1976, Jeff Sluman/1983, Zach Johnson/2006, Kent Jones/2006, Paul Goydos/2010)

- 62 marks his career-low round on TOUR and ties four players for the lowest round on TOUR with a double bogey since 1983 (Adam Scott/R1/2023 Travelers Championship, Harry Higgs/R3/2023 American Express, Patrick Sheehan/R1/2005 Charles Schwab Challenge, Robert Wren/R4/1988 Valero Texas Open)
- 62 is one stroke shy of the low final round in tournament history (61/Russell Henley/2019); matches the lowest finish by a winner this season (Jason Day/AT&T Byron Nelson)
- Austrian is the 17th different international winner this season; marks 10th time an international player has won the John Deere Classic and first since South Africa's Dylan Frittelli (2019)
- Three starts at John Deere Classic: T26/2019, MC/2021, Won/2023
- Lost a playoff to Mackenzie Hughes in his first start this season (Sanderson Farms Championship) and posted two additional top-10s before John Deere Classic win (T5/The Honda Classic, T7/PGA Championship)
- Caddie this week was Duane Bock, Kevin Kisner's regular caddie

Miscellaneous Notes

- **Brendon Todd's** (T2/-19) top-10 finish marks his fifth this season; lone season with more top-10s was 2013-14 when he had seven; second T2 result this season after finishing runner-up (with Brandon Wu) to Justin Rose at AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am; after missing the cut in his first six appearances at the John Deere Classic, has made the cut in his last three starts at TPC Deere Run (T18/2019, T43/2022, T2/2023)
- In his third start at this event (T47/2021, T16/2022, T2/2023), **Alex Smalley** (T2/-19) has 12 consecutive rounds of par-or-better at TPC Deere Run; T2 matches his best finish in 62 starts on TOUR (T2/2022 Corales Puntacana Championship)
- **Ludvig Aberg** (T4/-18) posts his first top-10 finish in his ninth start on TOUR; was a cumulative 2-over par for his six final-round scores on TOUR prior to Sunday's 8-under 63
- **Adam Schenk** (T4/-18) posts third top-10 in fifth start at the John Deere Classic (T6/2019, T4/2021, T4/2023)
- Chinese Taipei native **Kevin Yu** (T6/-16) was inside the top-40 of the FedExCup standings after a T7 at the 2023 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, but took a four-month layoff following meniscus surgery on his left knee; returned at 2023 Travelers Championship with an opening-round 65, eventually finishing T49 before a missed cut at last week's Rocket Mortgage Classic
- **Cameron Young** (T6/-16), the highest-ranked player in the field at No. 19, plays hole No. 18 in 4-over for the week
- At T6 (-16), **Lucas Glover** and **J.T. Poston** post best finishes of the eight past champions in the field
- **Seamus Power's** (T13/-15) front-nine 29 in the final round marks his lowest nine-hole score on TOUR (470 rounds)
- **Peter Kuest** (T17/-14), who finished T4 at last week's Rocket Mortgage Classic to earn a spot in the field this week, earned enough non-member FedExCup points to become eligible for PGA TOUR Special Temporary Membership
- **Aaron Baddeley** (T31/-11) cards 10 birdies in a round for the second time in his PGA TOUR career (1,514 rounds); last time: R4/2008 WGC-CA Championship at Doral/66
- After making the cut on the number in his 21st consecutive start in the John Deere Classic, 2012 champion **Zach Johnson** (T35/-10) posts his 69th round of par-or-better at TPC Deere Run (78 rounds)