

# PRE-TOURNAMENT NOTES 2023 PUERTO RICO OPEN



#### TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

February 27 - March 5 - 19th of 44 FedExCup Regular Season events Rio Grande, Puerto Rico

Grand Reserve Golf Club - Par 72 - 7,506 yds.

Purse \$3.8 million • Winner \$684,000 + 300 FedExCup pts.

120 players • 72-hole stroke-play **2022 champion** Ryan Brehm

# **BROADCAST SCHEDULE (ET)**

# **GOLF R1** 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**R2** 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**R3** 2:30-5 p.m. **R4** 2:30-4:30 p.m.

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#### **WINNERS**

Year	Player
2022	Ryan Brehm
2021	Branden Grace
2020	Viktor Hovland
2019	Martin Trainer
2018	Canceled
2017	D. A. Points
2016	
2015	Alex Cejka
2014	Chesson Hadley
2013	Scott Brown
2012	George McNeill
2011	Michael Bradley
2010	Derek Lamely
2009	
2008	Greg Kraft

bold in field

## **TOP STORYLINES**

The Puerto Rico Open winner receives 300 FedExCup points, a two-year exemption on the PGA TOUR and an invitation to next week's PLAYERS Championship (if not previously eligible) and other select events. Last year's winner, Ryan Brehm, is making his 100th career start on TOUR this week at the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard.

At No. 120 in the Official World Golf Ranking, **Erik van Rooyen** is the highest-ranked player in the field. Van Rooyen, who earned his first career PGA TOUR victory at the 2021 Barracuda Championship, is also the most recent TOUR winner of any player in the field. He is making his seventh start of the season and has one top-10 (T6/The American Express).

**Noah Goodwin**, who is competing on a sponsor exemption, won twice on PGA TOUR Canada in 2022 and earned Korn Ferry Tour status for 2023 but decided to remain in college at SMU. Goodwin is making his third start on TOUR and first since the 2017-18 season (MC/AT&T Byron Nelson, MC/U.S. Open).

**Ryan Gerard**, who advanced from a 5-for-3 playoff at the Open Qualifier for The Honda Classic and went on to finish fourth, earned a spot in the Puerto Rico Open with his top-10 finish. Gerard became the first Open Qualifier to finish in the top five of a PGA TOUR event since Doc Redman at the 2019 Rocket Mortgage Classic (2nd) and earned 135 non-member FedExCup points. With a three-way T9 or better at the Puerto Rico Open, Gerard will become eligible for Special Temporary Membership for the remainder of the season.

Eight-time PGA TOUR winner **Geoff Ogilvy** made his 400th career start on TOUR at last week's Honda Classic, finishing 80th. Ogilvy, who did not compete on TOUR between the 2018 Barracuda Championship and 2022 Barracuda Championship, is making his third start of the season.

### **2022 LEADERBOARD**

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	Ryan Brehm	66	67	68	67	268 (-20)
2	Max McGreevy	70	64	71	69	274 (-14)
T3	Tommy Gainey	69	67	69	70	275 (-13)
T3	Brandon Wu	69	69	68	69	275 (-13)
T5	Chad Ramey	69	68	68	71	276 (-12)
T5	Callum Tarren	70	65	71	70	276 (-12)
T7	Nine players					277 (-11)

#### STRENGTH OF FIELD STATISTICS

PGA TOUR winners	63 .	K.J. Choi/Geoff Ogilvy (8)
Past champions	5	Most recent: Martin Trainer (2019)
FedExCup Champions.	1	Bill Haas (2011)
PLAYERS winners	1	K.J. Choi (2011)
Major winners	2	Jason Dufner/Geoff Ogilvy (1)

#### **TOURNAMENT RECORDS**

Category	Value	Player	Year
Low 18-hole score	62	Jhonattan Vegas	2020 (R4)
Low 36-hole score	130	Andres Romero	2013
Low 54-hole score	198	3 players; most recent: Viktor Hovland	2020
Low 72-hole score	267	Chesson Hadley	2014
Holes-in-one	12	10 players; most recent: Greg Chalmers	2021 (R1, No. 8)
Largest 18-hole lead	2	3 players; most recent: Kyle Stanley	2020
Largest 36-hole lead	3	Matt Jones	2012
Largest 54-hole lead	3	3 players; most recent: Ryan Brehm	2022
Largest margin of victory	6	Ryan Brehm	2022
Best come from behind win	4	2 players; most recent: Michael Bradley	2011
Playoffs	3	Most recent: Tony Finau def. Steve Marino	2016