



2023 Rocket Mortgage Classic
(37th of 44 events in the 2022-23 PGA TOUR Regular Season)

Detroit, Michigan
Detroit Golf Club

June 29-July 2, 2023
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,370

FedExCup points: 500 (winner)
Purse: \$8.8 million (\$1,584,000/winner)

First-Round Notes – Thursday, June 29, 2023

Weather: Partly cloudy and hazy with scattered showers. High of 84. Wind SSE 8-15 mph.

First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1
T1	Peter Kuest	64 (-8)
T1	Taylor Moore	64 (-8)
T3	Sam Ryder	65 (-7)
T3	Aaron Rai	65 (-7)
T3	Ludvig Aberg	65 (-7)
T3	Sam Bennett	65 (-7)
T3	Dylan Wu	65 (-7)
T3	Justin Suh	65 (-7)
T3	Adam Schenk	65 (-7)

Things to Know

- 2023 Valspar Championship winner Taylor Moore and Peter Kuest, who got into the field via the Open Qualifier, share the lead after the first round of the Rocket Mortgage Classic
- Kuest is the first Open Qualifier to hold the 18-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR since Bryson Nimmer at the 2022 Mexico Open at Vidanta
- Ludvig Aberg and Sam Bennett, who finished among the top five players in PGA TOUR University’s Class of 2023, are both T3
- Dylan Wu records an albatross at the par-5 14th, the first albatross in tournament history and third on TOUR this season; first player to make a 2, 3 and 4 on par 5s in the same round since Daniel Berger at the 2015 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard

First-Round Lead Notes

- 2 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win the Rocket Mortgage Classic (most recent: Tony Finau/2022)
- 4 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win on TOUR in 2022-23 (most recent: Jon Rahm/Masters Tournament)

Comparing the co-leaders

Category	Peter Kuest	Taylor Moore
Age	25 (June 24, 1998)	29 (July 28, 1993)
FedExCup	Non-member	No. 28
OWGR	No. 789	No. 51
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	9-0-0	54-1-6
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2022-23	3-0-0	23-1-2
Starts – wins – top-10s at Rocket Mortgage Classic	1-0-0	1-0-1

Peter Kuest (T1/-8)

- Advanced from a 4-for-3 playoff at the Open Qualifier to get into the field; third time competing as an Open Qualifier on TOUR this season (MC/Valero Texas Open, T57/RBC Canadian Open)
- First Open Qualifier to hold the 18-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR since Bryson Nimmer at the 2022 Mexico Open at Vidanta
- Made second career PGA TOUR start at the 2020 Rocket Mortgage Classic as a sponsor exemption (MC)

Taylor Moore (T1/-8)

- First career 18-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR
- Won the 2023 Valspar Championship (one of eight first-time winners on TOUR this season)

- Finished solo-sixth in his tournament debut at the 2022 Rocket Mortgage Classic

Additional player notes

- **Ludvig Aberg** (T3/-7) hit 14 of 14 fairways and 17 of 18 greens in regulation, becoming the first player to hit every fairway and 17 or more greens in a single round on the PGA TOUR since Jon Rahm in the first round of the 2023 Masters Tournament
- **Dylan Wu** (T3/-7) holes out from 262 yards on the par-5 14th, recording the first albatross in tournament history, first of his PGA TOUR career, and third on TOUR this season; Wu is the first player with a 2 (No. 14), 3 (No. 7) and 4 (No. 17) on par 5s in the same round on TOUR since Daniel Berger in the third round of the 2015 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard