



**2022 THE CJ CUP in South Carolina**  
(5<sup>th</sup> of 47 events in the 2022-23 PGA TOUR Season)

Ridgeland, South Carolina  
Congaree Golf Club

October 17-23, 2022  
Par/Yards: 36-35—71/7,655

FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)  
Purse: \$10,500,000/\$1,890,000

**Second-Round Notes – Friday, October 21, 2022**

**Weather:** Sunny. High of 71. Wind NE 4-8 mph.

**Second-Round Leaderboard**

Kurt Kitayama	66-65-131 (-11)
Jon Rahm	69-62-131 (-11)
Cam Davis	66-66-132 (-10)
Aaron Wise	66-66-132 (-10)
Rory McIlroy	66-67-133 (-9)

**Things to Know**

- Kurt Kitayama earns his first career 36-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR and seeks his maiden TOUR victory
- Jon Rahm sets course-record 62 at Congaree Golf Club to hold 36-hole lead/co-lead for seventh time in his career
- Defending champion Rory McIlroy sits two shots back in search of the second successful title defense of his career
- THE CJ CUP was launched in 2017 as Korea's first official PGA TOUR event and has been played in the U.S. since 2020 due to the challenges of COVID-19.

**Second-Round Lead Notes**

- 1 Second-round leader/co-leaders to win the THE CJ CUP (Justin Thomas/2019)
- 2 Second-round leader/co-leaders to win in 2022-23  
(most recent: Mackenzie Hughes/Sanderson Farms Championship)

**Comparing the co-leaders (entering the week)**

Category	Kurt Kitayama	Jon Rahm
Age	29 (January 14, 1993)	27 (November 10, 1994)
FedExCup	No. 96	-
OWGR	No. 56	No. 5
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	43-0-3	131-7-63
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2022-23	2-0-0	0-0-0
Starts – wins – top-10s at THE CJ CUP	<i>Tournament debut</i>	1-0-0

**Kurt Kitayama (T1/-11)**

- Plays his last eight holes in 5-under, including an eagle on the par-5 12<sup>th</sup> hole, for a 65; earns first career 36-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR
- 131 marks his low 36-hole total on TOUR (previous: 133, 2022 The Honda Classic)
- In search of his first PGA TOUR victory; finished runner-up twice in his first full season on TOUR in 2021-22 (T2/2022 Mexico Open at Vidanta; 2/2022 Genesis Scottish Open)
- Qualified for his first CJ CUP after finishing inside the top 60 in the 2021-22 FedExCup
- Turned professional in 2015; owns three international titles: 2018 PGM Darulaman Championship (Asian Development Tour), 2018 Afrasia Bank Mauritius Open in Anahita (DP World Tour), 2019 Oman Open (DP World Tour)

**Jon Rahm (T1/-11)**

- Making first start of 2022-23 season, sets course record at Congaree Golf Club with a 9-under 62; holed 10 birdies before making bogey at No. 18

- Holds the 36-hole lead/co-lead for the seventh time in his career and is 1-for-6 to date converting to victory (2022 Mexico Open at Vidanta)
- 10 birdies is one shy of career-best 11 (R3/2022 Sentry Tournament of Champions)
- Ranked second in Strokes Gained: Putting (3.821) in round two, where he holed 128' 7" of putts
- Finished in a tie for No. 5 in the 2022 FedExCup; has made two starts on the DP World Tour since the 2022 TOUR Championship, finishing runner-up at the BMW PGA Championship and winning the Acciona Open de España

#### Miscellaneous notes

- Australian **Cam Davis (T3/-10)** posts six birdies, including four in his last seven holes, for his second consecutive 66; owns 10 top-10 finishes in 104 career TOUR starts including one victory (2021 Rocket Mortgage Classic)
- 2018 PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year **Aaron Wise (T3/-10)** leads the field in Strokes Gained: Approach the Green (5.925) through two rounds; seeks second career TOUR win (2018 AT&T Byron Nelson)
- Following a 1-over 37 on the front nine, defending champion **Rory McIlroy (5<sup>th</sup>/-9)** closes with a 5-under 30 for 67; leads the field in Strokes Gained: Off the Tee (3.614) after 36 holes in search of the second successful title defense of his career (2022 RBC Canadian Open)
- Two-time TOUR winner **Tom Kim (T6/-7)** hits 14 of 14 fairways en route to a 69; of the 13 Korean players in the field, sits tied with **K.H. Lee (T6/-7)** as the highest on the leaderboard
- Congaree hosted one other PGA TOUR event: the 2021 Palmetto Championship at Congaree, won by Garrick Higgo (not in the field at THE CJ CUP); of the 19 players in this week's field who competed at Congaree in 2021, **Tyrrell Hatton (-7)** sits T6 following four birdies and one eagle on the day; Hatton finished T2 at the 2021 Palmetto Championship at Congaree.
- The 2022 CJ CUP in South Carolina is the sixth edition of THE CJ CUP and Congaree Golf Club is the fourth different venue to host the event (third in the United States). After three years in South Korea at Nine Bridges (2017-2019), the tournament moved to Las Vegas for two years (Shadow Creek in 2020 and The Summit Club in 2021).