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2023 PLAYERS Championship
(20th of 44 events in the 2022-23 PGA TOUR Regular Season)

Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida
TPC Sawgrass (THE PLAYERS Stadium)

March 9-12, 2023
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,275

FedExCup points: 600 (winner)
Purse: \$25 million (\$4.5 million winner)

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, March 12, 2023

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 82. Wind SSW 10-20 mph.

Final Leaderboard

Scottie Scheffler	68-69-65-69—271 (-17)
Tyrrell Hatton	72-71-68-65—276 (-12)
Viktor Hovland	69-71-70-68—278 (-10)
Tom Hoge	78-68-62-70—278 (-10)
Hideki Matsuyama	74-70-67-68—279 (-9)

Things to Know

- Reigning PGA TOUR Player of the Year Scottie Scheffler wins THE PLAYERS Championship, earning his sixth career PGA TOUR title and second of the season
- All six of Scheffler’s victories have come in his last 27 starts
- Scheffler returns to No. 1 in the Official World Golf Ranking with the victory
- Scheffler becomes the ninth player to win THE PLAYERS and the Masters Tournament and third to hold both titles at the same time, joining Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods
- Tyrrell Hatton (2nd) birdies the final five holes and ties the back-nine scoring record at TPC Sawgrass (29)
- Tom Hoge (T3) becomes the first player to record a 78 or higher in the first round of a PGA TOUR event and go on to finish in the top five since Jose Maria Olazabal at the 2007 PLAYERS Championship

Scottie Scheffler (Winner/-17)

Category	Entering the week
Age	26 (June 21, 1996)
FedExCup	No. 3
OWGR	No. 1
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	97-6-32
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2022-23	9-2-6
Starts – wins – top-10s at THE PLAYERS	3-1-1

Sixth career PGA TOUR win and second of the season

- Earns his sixth career PGA TOUR title in his 97th career start at the age of 26 years, 8 months, 19 days
- **PGA TOUR wins (6)** – all six have come in his last 27 starts (span of 392 days)
2023 PLAYERS Championship
2023 WM Phoenix Open
2022 Masters Tournament
2022 WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play
2022 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard
2022 WM Phoenix Open

Most PGA TOUR wins since the start of the 2021-22 season

Wins	Player
6	Scottie Scheffler
4	Max Homa
4	Rory McIlroy
4	Jon Rahm

- One of three players with multiple wins this season, along with Jon Rahm and Max Homa
- One of two players with multiple wins in each of the last two seasons, along with Max Homa

FedExCup and OWGR

- Earns 600 points and moves from No. 4 to No. 3 in the FedExCup standings
- Moves to No. 1 in the Official World Golf Ranking for the second time in his career (entered the week No. 2 behind Jon Rahm/WD)

Scheffler's history as World No. 1

March 12, 2023	Wins THE PLAYERS Championship, returns to No. 1
February 12, 2023	Wins WM Phoenix Open, returns to No. 1
March 27, 2022	Wins WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play, moves to No. 1 for the first time

- Becomes the fourth consecutive winner of THE PLAYERS Championship to enter the week in the top 10 of the OWGR

Year	Winner	OWGR
2023	Scottie Scheffler	2
2022	Cameron Smith	10
2021	Justin Thomas	3
2019	Rory McIlroy	6

- Six of the last 10 PLAYERS Championship winners have been No. 1 in the OWGR at some point in their careers: Tiger Woods (2013), Martin Kaymer (2014), Jason Day (2016), Rory McIlroy (2019), Justin Thomas (2021), Scheffler (2023)

Wins at THE PLAYERS Championship and the Masters Tournament

- Ninth player to win THE PLAYERS Championship and the Masters Tournament in his career

Players to win THE PLAYERS and the Masters (9)

Player	PLAYERS wins	Masters wins
Scottie Scheffler	2023	2022
Sergio Garcia	2008	2017
Adam Scott	2004	2013
Phil Mickelson	2007	2004, 2006, 2010
Tiger Woods	2001, 2013	1997, 2001, 2002, 2005, 2019
Fred Couples	1984, 1996	1992
Sandy Lyle	1987	1988
Raymond Floyd	1981	1976
Jack Nicklaus	1974, 1976, 1978	1963, 1965, 1966, 1972, 1975, 1986

- Third player to hold the PLAYERS and Masters titles at the same time, joining Jack Nicklaus (1974 PLAYERS, 1975 Masters) and Tiger Woods (2001 PLAYERS, 2001 Masters)

Scores and margin of victory

- Sixth player to record four rounds in the 60s at THE PLAYERS Championship since the tournament moved to TPC Sawgrass in 1982 and the third to win

Player	Year	Scores	Result
Scottie Scheffler	2023	68-69-65-69	Won
Dustin Johnson	2019	69-68-69-69	T5
Steve Elkington	1997	66-69-68-69	Won
Greg Norman	1994	63-67-67-67	Won
Fuzzy Zoeller	1994	66-67-68-67	2 nd
Jeff Maggert	1994	65-69-69-68	3 rd

- Largest victory margin (5) on TOUR since Tom Kim at the 2022 Wyndham Championship (5)
- Largest victory margin at THE PLAYERS Championship since Stephen Ames in 2006 (6)
- Largest victory margin of his career (previous: 3, 2022 Masters Tournament)

Successfully converts 54-hole lead

- Led by two strokes over Min Woo Lee entering the final round
- Moves to 3-for-7 with the 54-hole lead/co-lead on the PGA TOUR (wins: 2022 Masters Tournament, 2023 WM Phoenix Open, 2023 PLAYERS Championship); has finished no worse than third when holding at least a share of the 54-hole lead
- 22nd 54-hole leader/co-leader to win THE PLAYERS Championship and first since Webb Simpson in 2018
- 13th 54-hole leader/co-leader to win on TOUR in 2022-23

Tyrrell Hatton (2nd/-12)

- Third career runner-up on TOUR (2021 Palmetto Championship at Congaree, 2022 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard)
- Ties the tournament record for lowest back-nine score since the event moved to TPC Sawgrass in 1982

Back-nine 29s at THE PLAYERS (since moving to TPC Sawgrass in 1982)

Player	Year	Round
Tyrrell Hatton	2023	R4
Kevin Chappell	2016	R2
Rory McIlroy	2016	R2
Shane Lowry	2016	R1

- Makes birdie on the final five holes, his career-long birdie streak on the PGA TOUR (previous: four, eight times)
- Best finish in six starts at THE PLAYERS (previous: T13, 2022)

Miscellaneous notes

- **Tom Hoge** (T3), who carded a 6-over 78 in the first round before setting the course record (62) in the third round, becomes the first player to record a first-round score of 78 or higher in a TOUR event and go on to finish in the top five since José María Olazábal at the 2007 PLAYERS Championship (78, T3)
- **David Lingmerth** (T6) records his fourth top-10 of the season (T8/World Wide Technology Championship, T10/The RSM Classic, T10/The Honda Classic, T6/THE PLAYERS); most recent top-10 on TOUR prior to this season came at the 2017 Quicken Loans National (T5)
- **Min Woo Lee** (T6) records his first career top-10 on TOUR; Lee earns 89 non-member FedExCup points and needs 53 more to become eligible for Special Temporary Membership
- **Chad Ramey** (T27) made birdie at the par-4 fifth in all four rounds, becoming the second player to accomplish the feat since the tournament moved to TPC Sawgrass in 1982 and first since Ernie Els in 1997
- **Alex Smalley** (T65) makes a hole-in-one at No. 17, the third of the week at that hole; this was the first PLAYERS Championship with multiple aces at No. 17 (others: Hayden Buckley/R1, Aaron Rai/R3)
- **Adam Scott** (71st) makes birdie at No. 17, his second of the week (R1, R4), to pass Hal Sutton for second-most on that hole in tournament history

Most birdies at No. 17 in PLAYERS Championship history

26	Bernhard Langer
20	Adam Scott
19	Hal Sutton

Balls in the water at No. 17 (since 2003)

Year	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
2023	18	25	2	13	58
2022	13	27	7	10	57
2021	35	13	8	10	66
2019	14	6	8	17	45
2018	24	21	6	3	54
2017	19	29	10	11	69
2016	6	9	17	4	36
2015	21	16	3	5	45
2014	12	12	1	3	28
2013	15	9	7	13	44
2012	18	11	4	6	39
2011	12	14	8	6	40
2010	7	8	5	9	29
2009	16	6	4	6	32
2008	20	18	10	16	64
2007	50	21	10	12	93
2006	19	17	12	9	57
2005	7	8	25	28	68
2004	9	10	4	7	30
2003	6	10	3	10	29
Average	17.05	14.5	7.70	9.90	49.15

Morgan Stanley Eagles for Impact Challenge

As part of its Eagles for Impact Challenge, Morgan Stanley will donate \$5,000 for every eagle made at THE PLAYERS to First Tee – a youth development organization that enables kids to build the strength of character that empowers them through a lifetime of new challenges – to help support the recruitment, development and retention of diverse coaches to mentor the next generation.

	Eagles	Donation
R1	12	\$60,000
R2	17	\$85,000
R3	14	\$70,000
R4	8	\$40,000