



**2023 Travelers Championship**  
*(The 36<sup>th</sup> of 44 events in the 2022-23 PGA TOUR Regular Season)*

**Cromwell, Connecticut**  
**TPC River Highlands**

**June 22-25, 2023**  
**Par/Yardage: 35-35—70/6,852**

**FedExCup Points: 500 to the winner**  
**Purse: \$20 million (\$3.6 million)**

**Second-Round Notes – Friday, June 23, 2023**

**Weather:** Mostly cloudy with occasional showers. High of 78. Wind S 8-15 mph.

**Cut:** 67 players at 4-under 136 from a field of 154 professionals and two amateurs.

**Second-Round Leaderboard**

Denny McCarthy	60-65—125 (-15)
Keegan Bradley	62-63—125 (-15)
Chez Reavie	64-63—127 (-13)
Eric Cole	64-65—129 (-11)
Zac Blair	65-65—130 (-10)
Adam Scott	62-68—130 (-10)

**Things to Know**

- **Denny McCarthy** holds 36-hole lead/co-lead for the first time on the PGA TOUR
- **Keegan Bradley** is the second player this season to open with two rounds of 63 or better
- Only four players have posted lower opening 36-hole scores in PGA TOUR history
- Reigning FedExCup Champion and World No. 3 **Rory McIlroy** (T10) moves into the top-10 with 6-under 64
- 2022 winner **Xander Schauffele** (T10) has never successfully defended a title in five previous attempts on TOUR
- FedExCup leader **Jon Rahm** misses the cut for the first time on TOUR since 2021 Fortinet Championship (Note: WD after first-round 71 at 2023 PLAYERS Championship)
- Of the nine players at 9-under or better, three are international players – all from Australia (**Adam Scott, Lucas Herbert, Min Woo Lee**)

**Second-Round Lead Notes**

- 7 Second-round leaders/co-leaders at Travelers Championship to win since 2000 (most recent: Xander Schauffele/2022)
- 9 Second-round leaders/co-leaders to win individual stroke-play events on TOUR this season (most recent: Wyndham Clark/Wells Fargo Championship)

**36-hole Scoring Records**

- McCarthy and Bradley post lowest opening 36-hole scores at this event since it moved to TPC River Highlands in 1984
- Only four players have posted lower opening 36-hole scores in PGA TOUR history:

Lowest opening 36-hole totals in PGA TOUR history			
Score	Player	Event	Finish
123 (-17)	Justin Thomas	2017 Sony Open in Hawaii	Won
124 (-18)	Jason Day	2015 BMW Championship	Won
124 (-16)	David Toms	2011 Charles Schwab Challenge	Won
124 (-20)	Pat Perez	2009 The American Express	Won

**Co-leaders entering the week (-15)**

Category	Denny McCarthy	Keegan Bradley
Age	30 (March 4, 1993)	37 (June 7, 1986)
FedExCup	No. 28	No. 15
OWGR	No. 33	No. 28
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	158-0-19	324-5-54
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2022-23	23-0-4	17-1-4

Starts – wins – top-10s at Travelers Championship	5-0-0	12-0-2
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### Denny McCarthy (T1/-15)

- Follows opening-round 60 with 5-under 65 en route to 125 (-15) 36-hole total, the lowest opening 36-hole score at Travelers Championship since this event moved to TPC River Highlands in 1984 (previous: 126/Justin Rose/2010, 126/Xander Schauffele/2022)
- Posts career-low opening 36-hole score (previous: 131, twice, 2022 John Deere Classic/T6, 2022 FedEx St. Jude Championship/T20)
- Owns three nine-hole scores of 30 in his last 36 holes (two previous nine-hole scores of 30 or better in prior 82 rounds)
- Holds 36-hole lead/co-lead for the first time on the PGA TOUR
- Only two of the last 19 players to shoot a round of 60 or better at some point during a PGA TOUR event have gone on to win that event – Brandt Snedeker (59/R1/2018 Wyndham Championship) and Dustin Johnson (60/R2/2020 FedEx St. Jude Championship)
- Seeks to become the 18th player to collect his first TOUR victory at the Travelers Championship and first since Ken Duke in 2013
- Sixth appearance at Travelers Championship (T47/2018, MC/2019, WD/2020, T73/2021, MC/2022)
- Best finish of PGA TOUR career came earlier this season: P2/the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday

### Keegan Bradley (T1/-15)

- Follows first-round 62 with 7-under 63 to post 125 (-15), his career-low opening 36-hole score on TOUR (previous: 129/2013 AT&T Byron Nelson)
- Joins co-leader Denny McCarthy with the lowest opening 36-hole score at Travelers Championship since this event moved to TPC River Highlands in 1984
- Holds 36-hole lead/co-lead for the eighth time on the PGA TOUR, winning one of the prior seven (2011 PGA Championship)
- Second player this season to open with 63 or better in each of the first two rounds (Russell Henley/World Wide Technology Championship/63-63/Won)
- Making 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive tournament start (best: T2/2019)
- PGA TOUR victories (5): 2011 AT&T Byron Nelson, 2011 PGA Championship, 2012 WGC-Bridgestone Invitational, 2018 BMW Championship, 2022 ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP

### Additional Notes

- In his 46<sup>th</sup> round at the Travelers Championship, 2019 winner **Chez Reavie** (3<sup>rd</sup>/-13) posts 7-under 63, matching his low 18-hole score at TPC River Highlands (63/R3/2019); seeks his fourth PGA TOUR title (2008 RBC Canadian Open, 2019 Travelers Championship, 2022 Barracuda Championship)
- PGA TOUR rookie **Eric Cole** (4<sup>th</sup>/-11) seeks his first TOUR title; notched three top-10s this season (P2/The Honda Classic, T5/Mexico Open at Vidanta, T6/RBC Canadian Open); Cole's dad, Bobby Cole, competed in this event 14 times, posting two top-10s (T5/1974, T10/1967)
- **Zac Blair** (T5/-10) makes the cut for the second time in five appearances at this event (T62/2016); finished T10 at the Valspar Championship in March, his only top-10 on TOUR since T4 at 2019 Fortinet Championship
- With 15 birdies, **Adam Scott** (T5/-10) trails co-leaders Denny McCarthy (16) and Keegan Bradley (16) as players with the most birdies through two rounds
- After making an ace at the eighth hole in round one, **Rory McIlroy** (T10/-8) posts a double bogey at No. 8 en route to 8-under 64, his fifth score of 64 or better at this event
- After sitting T92 and even-par following the first round, **Alex Smalley** (T10/-8) fires 62, the low round of the day
- **Scottie Scheffler** (T22/-7) leads the TOUR with 13 top-10s this season and has finished T12 or better in each of his last 16 starts
- St. Johns University alum **Andrew Svoboda** (T22/-7) is the first sponsor exemption from the Connecticut Section PGA to make the cut at the Travelers Championship since Doug Dalziel in 1981
- Monday qualifier and Madison, Connecticut native **Brett Stegmaier** (T41/-5) makes first start since the 2022 Puerto Rico Open (MC), where he also Monday qualified; the Puerto Rico event marks his lone TOUR start since the 2018 Wyndham Championship (T11)
- **Scott Piercy** (back injury) withdrew before the start of the second round
- For the second consecutive round, and the sixth time at TPC River Highlands, more than 600 birdies were recorded in a single round:

Rounds with over 600 birdies at TPC River Highlands		
Total Birdies	Round	Year
642	R2	2023

632	R2	2020
613	R1	2008
613	R2	2011
609	R1	2009
<b>603</b>	<b>R1</b>	<b>2023</b>