



## 2023 Zurich Classic of New Orleans

(27th of 44 events in the 2022-23 PGA TOUR Regular Season)

Avondale, Louisiana April 20-23, 2023 Purse: \$8,600,000/\$1,242,700 to each winner

TPC Louisiana Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,425 FedExCup points: 400 to each winner

Second-Round Notes - Friday, April 21, 2023

**Weather**: Rain and thunderstorms. High of 73. Wind SE 10-15 mph, with gusts to 20 mph. Play was suspended due to inclement weather at 11:12 a.m. CT and resumed at 1:44 p.m. (a delay of 2 hours, 32 minutes).

**36-hole cut**: 35 teams at 10-under 134 from a field of 80 teams

Format: Four-ball (best ball) in first and third rounds, Foursomes (alternate shot) in second and fourth rounds

## **Second-Round Leaderboard**

Wyndham Clark/Beau Hossler 61-67—128 (-16) Sam Ryder/Doc Redman 63-66—129 (-15) Sungjae Im/Keith Mitchell 62-67—129 (-15)

#### **Things to Know**

- After sharing the opening-round lead, Wyndham Clark and Beau Hossler hold a one-stroke lead at the midway point at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans
- Honda Classic winners Sungjae Im (2020) and Keith Mitchell (2019) are the only players among those at 15-under or better on the leaderboard with PGA TOUR victories
- Since becoming a team event in 2017, only Cameron Smith (2017) has made the Zurich Classic their first TOUR win (partner: Jonas Blixt)
- With a 9-under 63, defending champions Patrick Cantlay and Xander Schauffele set the tournament 18-hole Foursome scoring record

#### **Team Notes**

## Wyndham Clark/Beau Hossler (1st/-16)

Category (entering the week)	Wyndham Clark	Beau Hossler
Age	29 (12/9/1993)	28 (3/16/1995)
FedExCup	No. 41	No. 88
OWGR	No. 81	No. 139
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	131-0-13	158-0-9
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2022-23	16-0-4	16-0-0
Starts – wins – top-10s at the Zurich Classic	3-0-1	2-0-0

- Playing together as a team for the first time, Clark and Hossler follow an opening round 11-under 61 with 5-under 67 in Foursomes
- Hossler holds fifth 36-hole lead/co-lead on the PGA TOUR, while Clark holds third
- Since becoming a team event in 2017, three second-round leaders/co-leaders have converted for the win at the Zurich Classic
  - o 2022 Patrick Cantlay/Xander Schauffele
  - o 2019 Jon Rahm/Ryan Palmer
  - o 2017 Cameron Smith/Jonas Blixt
- Hossler missed the cut in both prior starts at the Zurich Classic (2021/Tom Hoge, 2022/Sahith Theegala)
- Clark is making his fourth start at the Zurich Classic (2019/MC/D.J. Trahan, 2021/T17/Erik van Rooyen, 2022/T10/Cameron Tringale)
- Clark (132<sup>nd</sup> start) and Hossler (159<sup>th</sup> start) are seeking their first PGA TOUR victory; would become the sixth and seventh first-time winners on TOUR this season
- Both have runner-up finishes on TOUR Hossler (2018 Houston Open/P2, 2018 Travelers Championship/T2), Clark (2020 Butterfield Bermuda Championship/P2)

# Patrick Cantlay/Xander Schauffele (T4/-14)

- Set the Zurich Classic of New Orleans 18-hole Foursomes scoring record with a second round 9-under 63 (previous: 65)
- Bogey-free round included seven birdies and an eagle on the par-5 18th hole (Cantlay made a 14-foot, 10-inch putt)
- Won the event wire-to-wire in 2022 and finished T11 in their debut appearance as a team in 2021
- One of four pairs of teammates in the field that also competed in the 2022 Presidents Cup
- At Nos. 4 and 5, respectively, Cantlay and Schauffele mark the second team made up of two of the top five players in the Official World Golf Ranking since 2017 (No. 2 Collin Morikawa/No. 5 Viktor Hovland in 2022)
- Cantlay has eight PGA TOUR victories (most recent: 2022 BMW Championship)
- Schauffele has seven PGA TOUR victories (most recent: 2022 Genesis Scottish Open)

#### **Miscellaneous Notes**

- Playing in the event together for a third consecutive time, Florida residents **Sam Ryder** and **Doc Redman** are T2 at 15-under 129; previous finishes together: T17/2021, 3<sup>rd</sup>/2022
- No. 17 **Sungjae Im** and No. 50 **Keith Mitchell** team up for the first time and are T2 after a second round 5-under 67; duo is one of six teams in the field made up of two players inside the top 50 in the Official World Golf Ranking
- Two-time Zurich Classic of New Orleans winner **Billy Horschel** and Louisiana native **Sam Burns** sit five shots back at 11-under 133 through 36 holes; Horschel is the only player to win the Zurich Classic of New Orleans in both the individual (2013) and team format (with Scott Piercy in 2018)
- Both captains for the 2023 Ryder Cup are in the field and are competing with one of their vice captains: Luke
  Donald/Eduardo Molinari (T20/-11) and Zach Johnson/Steve Stricker (MC)
- Zurich Ambassadors (**bold**): **Sahith Theegala/**Justin Suh (T12/-12), **Billy Horschel/**Sam Burns (T20/-11), **Collin Morikawa/**Max Homa (MC/-8)