



# 2023 Zurich Classic of New Orleans

(27<sup>th</sup> 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

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, April 22, 2023

Weather: Sunny and breezy. High of 77. Wind NE 10-15 mph.

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

## Third-Round Leaderboard

Wyndham Clark/Beau Hossler	61-67-62—190 (-26)
Sungjae Im/Keith Mitchell	62-67-62—191 (-25)
Matthias Schwab/Vincent Norrman	64-67-62—193 (-23)
Taylor Moore/Matthew NeSmith	64-66-63—193 (-23)
Davis Riley/Nick Hardy	64-66-63-193 (-23)

## **Things to Know**

- Wyndham Clark and Beau Hossler hold a one-stroke lead entering the final round at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans;
   have held at least a share of the lead after each round this week
- Honda Classic winners Sungjae Im (2020) and Keith Mitchell (2019) post 10-under 62; their first bogey-free round this
  week
- Four teams shot 62 for low round of the day, including leaders Clark and Hossler
- Defending champions Xander Schauffele and Patrick Cantlay enter the final round T10, trail by six

## **Team Notes**

## Wyndham Clark/Beau Hossler (1st/-26)

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 for the first time, Clark and Hossler hold a one-stroke lead entering the final round at Zurich Classic of New Orleans
- Hossler holds fifth 54-hole lead/co-lead on the PGA TOUR (0-for-4 to date in converting to victory), while Clark holds second (0-for-1)
- Since becoming a team event in 2017, three third-round leaders/co-leaders have converted for the win at the Zurich Classic
  - o 2022 Patrick Cantlay/Xander Schauffele
  - 2019 Jon Rahm/Ryan Palmer
  - 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)

# Sungjae Im/Keith Mitchell (2nd/-25)

Sungjae Im and Keith Mitchell team up for the first time and trail by one going into the final round

- Third-round 10-under 62 marked their first bogey-free round of the week with Im making seven of the team's 10 hirdies
- Im seeks his third PGA TOUR win; last victory came at the 2021 Shriners Children's Open; Mitchell seeks his second title since capturing his first win in 2019 (The Honda Classic)
- Duo is one of six teams in the field made up of two players inside the top 50 in the Official World Golf Ranking (Im/No. 17); (Mitchell/No. 50)
- Zurich Classic history entering the week: Im (2-of-3 made cuts; best finish T14 in 2022 with Ben An), Mitchell (1-of-3 made cuts; best finish T4 2021 with Brandt Snedeker)

# **Miscellaneous Notes**

- Two-time Zurich Classic of New Orleans winner **Billy Horschel** and Louisiana native **Sam Burns** are T10 at 20-under 196 through 54 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)
- After setting the tournament 18-hole Foursomes scoring record in round two, Xander Schauffele and Patrick
  Cantlay post 6-under 66 in Four-Ball and enter the final round six shots back at T10; the pair currently hold the 54-hole scoring record (187/2022) at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans since becoming a team event in 2017
- Charley Hoffman aced the ninth hole with a 23-degree hybrid from 210 yards; marks his third hole-in-one on TOUR; he and teammate Nick Watney sit T24
- Zurich Ambassadors (bold): Sahith Theegala/Justin Suh (T13/-19), Billy Horschel/Sam Burns (T10/-20), Collin Morikawa/Max Homa (MC)
- Four teams remain bogey-free entering Sunday
  - Clark/Hossler (1<sup>st</sup>/-26)
  - Moore/NeSmith (T3/-23)
  - o English/Hoge (T7/-21)
  - Detry/Perez (T24/-17)