

2023 American Family Insurance Championship

First-Round Notes Friday, June 9, 2023

University Ridge Golf Course | Madison, Wisconsin
13th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2023 Season



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- **Course Setup:** Par 72 / 7,083 yards
- **Round 1 Scoring Average:** 70.831
- **Weather:** Mostly sunny, with a high of 81. Wind WNW 8-12, with gusts to 15 mph
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Pos.	Player	To Par	Score
1	Justin Leonard	-10	62
T2	Paul Broadhurst	-7	65
T2	Marco Dawson	-7	65
T2	Steve Stricker	-7	65
T2	Steven Alker	-7	65

Things to Know

- Highlighted by birdies on four of his first five holes, **Justin Leonard** opens his first American Family Insurance Championship with a course record 10-under 62, marking his lowest score across all TOURs in relation to par
- Charles Schwab Cup leader and American Family Insurance Championship Tournament Host **Steve Stricker** makes history with a 7-under 65, his 53rd consecutive round of par or better the longest such streak by any player at any PGA TOUR sanctioned event
- **Marco Dawson** birdies six of his last eight holes, good for 7-under 65, in his bid for a fourth straight top-10 finish on PGA TOUR Champions
- Making his first start in the American Family Insurance Championship, **Steven Alker** birdies four of his last six holes en route to a bogey-free 7-under 65
- Defending champion **Thongchai Jaidee** sits T62 at 2-over 74

Justin Leonard (1st/-10)

- Making his first start in the American Family Insurance Championship, Leonard opened with birdies on four of his first five holes and four of four of his six last en route to a bogey-free 10-under 62, marking the course record at University Ridge Golf Course
- On the only other occasion to lead/co-lead after 18 holes on PGA TOUR Champions, Leonard finished T12 at this season's Inseperity Invitational
- Leonard hit 11 of 13 fairways and missed only one green in regulation (par-4 18th)
- Prior to this week, Leonard's low round on PGA TOUR Champions was 6-under 66; his career-low round across all Tours stands at 61 (9-under par/two occasions)
- A week removed from his 51st birthday, Leonard is making his 13th PGA TOUR Champions start; best of three top-10 finishes was T6 at the Chubb Classic earlier this season
- Among 12 PGA TOUR titles in 589 starts was the 1998 PLAYERS Championship and 1997 Open Championship; his most recent TOUR title was the 2008 FedEx St. Jude Classic

Steve Stricker (T2/-7)

- With his 7-under 65 in round one, tournament host Steve Stricker set the all-time record among all PGA TOUR-sanctioned Tours for most consecutive rounds of par or better (53), breaking his tie at 52 with Tiger Woods; the streak began on June 26, 2022 with a final-round 6-under 65 at the 2022 U.S. Senior Open Championship (finished solo-second)
- With today's 7-under 65, Stricker moves to a collective 228-under par within those 53 rounds
- Of those 53 rounds, all but four resulted in sub-par scores
- Highlighted by three wins, Stricker has finished no worse than T8 (Cologuard Classic) in 10 starts this season

Most Consecutive Rounds Par or Better (PGA TOUR Champions)

Player	Total	Timespan
Steve Stricker	53*	2022-23
Jerry Kelly	41	2022-23
Jay Haas	41	2014
Steven Alker	39	2021-22
Colin Montgomerie	38	2016-17

*-active streak

Most Consecutive Rounds Par or Better (PGA TOUR Since 1983)

Player	Total
Tiger Woods	52
Fred Funk	38
Brian Harman	36
David Ogrin	35

(Note: none are active streaks)

Most Consecutive Rounds Par or Better (Korn Ferry Tour)

Player	Total
Lee Hodges	48
Anders Albertson	41
Chad Ramey	39
Taylor Montgomery	38
Paul Haley II	37

(Note: none are active streaks)

Most Consecutive Rounds of Par or Better to Start a Season (PGA TOUR Champions)

Player	Total	Timespan
Steve Stricker	33*	2023
Jerry Kelly	25	2017
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Fred Couples	23	2017
Jay Haas	23	2014
Loren Roberts	23	2007
Gil Morgan	23	2004

*-active streak

Stricker's American Family Insurance Championship history:

Year	Finish	Scores
2022	T11	71-69-67—207 (-9)
2021	T7	70-72-65—207 (-9)
2019	T2	67-67-67—201 (-15)
2018	T3	64-74-65—203 (-13)
2017	T3	66-69-69—204 (-12)

Additional Player Notes

- Seeking a second consecutive top-10 finish (7th/2022), and third overall (5th/2017), in his sixth American Family Insurance Championship start, **Paul Broadhurst** signed for a bogey-free 7-under 65; best of two top-10 finishes this season was T5 at the Regions Tradition in the season's second major championship
- Beginning his round on No. 10, **Marco Dawson** birdied six of his last eight holes to post a 7-under 65 in his bid for a fourth straight top-10 finish of the season: T5/Regions Tradition, T8/KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship and T9 at last week's Principal Charity Classic on the strength of a final-round 8-under 64
- With birdies on four of his last six holes, **Steven Alker** opens his first American Family Insurance Championship with a bogey-free 7-under 65; Including his win at the Insperity Invitational in April, he seeks a sixth top-10 finish this season and second straight (T5/KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship)
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- 2019 and 2021 American Family Insurance Championship winner and Milwaukee native **Jerry Kelly** carded an even-par 72 in his sixth start in the event; Kelly also netted runner-up honors in the 2018 event
- **Cameron Beckman** withdrew during round one