2023 Kaulig Companies Championship

Final-Round Notes Sunday, July 16, 2023 Firestone Country Club (South Course) | Akron, Ohio 16th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2023 Season

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- Course Setup: Par 70 / 7,138 yards
- Round 4 Scoring Average: 71.711
- Cumulative Scoring Average: 72.073
- Weather: Partly cloudy with temps in the mid-80s and winds W at 10-18 mph
- Interviews: <u>Transcripts</u> | <u>Videos</u>
- Final Results
- PGATOURMedia.com

	Player	To Par	Scores	Money	Charles Schwab Cup
1	Steve Stricker	-11	65-73-65-66 – 269	\$525,000	1st
2	David Toms	-8	69-70-68-65 – 272	\$308,000	3rd
Т3	K.J. Choi	-7	70-66-69-68 – 273	\$210,000	25th
Т3	Ernie Els	-7	68-67-70-68 – 273	\$210,000	4th
Т3	Harrison Frazar	-7	65-68-70-70 – 273	\$210,000	32nd
6	Bernhard Langer	-5	71-68-70-66 – 275	\$140,000	2nd

Things to Know

• Charles Schwab Cup leader **Steve Stricker** captured his third senior major title of the 2023 season with a threestroke win at the Kaulig Companies Championship.

Steve Stricker, 65-73-65-66 - 269 (-11)

- Earned his seventh major win on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Moved him into T4 on the list of most senior major wins
 - This is his third major win of the 2023 season on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Note: This is the fourth major of 2023
 - Won the Regions Tradition (May 11-14) and KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship (May 25-28)
 - Becomes the fourth player in PGA TOUR Champions history to win three majors in the same year, joining Gary Player (1988), Jack Nicklaus (1991) and Bernhard Langer (2017)
- Earned his fifth win of the 2023 season, most of any player on PGA TOUR Champions (13 starts)
 - o This is his first five-win season since joining PGA TOUR Champions in 2017
 - Becomes the first player since 2017 to win five times in a season on PGA TOUR Champions (Bernhard Langer)
- The 56-year-old earned his 16th overall win on PGA TOUR Champions (60 starts)
 - Remains 17th on the PGA TOUR Champions all-time wins list
- Becomes the sixth multi-time winner of the Kaulig Companies Championship (2021, 2023), joining Arnold Palmer (1984, 1985), Dave Stockton (1992, 1994), Raymond Floyd (1996, 2000), Bernhard Langer (2014, 2015, 2016) and Jerry Kelly (2020, 2022)
- Matched the low 72-hole score (269) at the Kaulig Companies Championship since 2019 when the event moved to Firestone Country Club
- Improved his winning percentage on PGA TOUR Champions to 26.67% (16 wins in 60 starts)
- Remains atop the Charles Schwab Cup standings, extending his lead to \$2,089,989 over No. 2 Bernhard Langer
- With his victory, he earned an exemption into the 2024 PLAYERS Championship
- This is his 10th top-2 finish of the 2023 season on PGA TOUR Champions (13 starts)



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- o In his last six starts on PGA TOUR Champions, he has finished 1st-1st-T2-1st-2nd-1st
- This is his 17th consecutive top-10 finish on PGA TOUR Champions, dating back to last season

Most Major Wins in PGA TOUR Champions History

Rank	Player	Major Wins
1	Bernhard Langer	12
2	Gary Player	9
3	Jack Nicklaus	8
T4	Steve Stricker	7
T4	Hale Irwin	7
6	Tom Watson	6

Steve Stricker's Wins by Season on PGA TOUR Champions

Season	Wins	Starts
2017	0	6
2018	3	7
2019	2	9
2020-21	2	13
2022	4	12
2023	5	13
TOTAL	16	60

Other Notes

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- **David Toms** birdied five of his last nine holes en route to a final-round 65. He finished 2nd at 8-under to move up to No. 3 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings. This is his fourth top-3 of the season (13 starts).
- K.J. Choi finished T3 at 7-under after closing with 68. This is his best finish of the season (13 starts).
- World Golf Hall of Fame member Ernie Els finished T3 at 7-under for his 10th top-10 of the season (14 starts).
- Harrison Frazar, who held at least a share of the lead after each of the first three rounds, finished T3 at 7-under.
- 46-time PGA TOUR Champions winner **Bernhard Langer** finished 6th at 5-under. A three-time winner of the Kaulig Companies Championship, Langer has 11 top-10s in 16 starts at this event.
- **Dicky Pride** and rookie **Stewart Cink** each finished T7 at 4-under. This is Cink's second top-10 in two starts on PGA TOUR Champions.
- Two-time Kaulig Companies Championship winner (2020, 2022) Jerry Kelly finished 12th at 1-under.
- 2013 Kaulig Companies Championship winner Kenny Perry carded the low round of the day with 6-under 64 to move from T44 to T23.
- Scott Dunlap withdrew before the start of the final round.