

## 2023 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship

### Second-Round Notes

Friday, May 26, 2023

Fields Ranch East | Frisco, Texas

11<sup>th</sup> of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2023 Season



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- **Course Setup:** Par 72 / 7,193 yards
- **Round 2 Scoring Average:** 73.93
- **Weather:** Mostly sunny, with a high of 86. Wind ESE 10-15 mph
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**36-hole cut:** 81 players at 3-over 147 from a field of 156 professionals

Pos.	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Padraig Harrington	-12	64-68—132
2	Katsumasa Miyamoto	-9	66-69—135
3	Stewart Cink	-8	68-68—136
4	Steve Stricker	-7	70-67—137
T5	four players	-6	138

#### Things to Know

- In his bid for a second PGA TOUR Champions major crown in as many seasons (2022 U.S. Senior Open Championship), **Padraig Harrington** follows an 8-under 64 in round one with a 4-under 68 in Friday's second round and is the only player bogey-free through 36 holes.
- Making his PGA TOUR Champions debut, 12-time Japan Golf Tour winner **Katsumasa Miyamoto** offset two bogeys and a double bogey with seven birdies to card a 3-under 69 and move into second place alone.
- With back-to-back 4-under 68s to start his PGA TOUR Champions career, newly minted 50-year-old **Stewart Cink** looks to become the youngest player to win on PGA TOUR Champions and 21<sup>st</sup> to win in his PGA TOUR Champions debut.
- With a 5-under 67 to reach 7-under 137, **Steve Stricker** extends his PGA TOUR Champions record of consecutive rounds of par-or-better to 47; positions himself to become the first player to win a season's first two majors since Alex Cejka in 2021.
- Making his fourth start in the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship and first since his best finish of T14 in 2002, **Darren Clarke** enters the weekend inside the top 10 after back-to-back 3-under 69s.
- In his bid to become the fourth player to successfully defend a KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship title and first since **Colin Montgomerie** in 2015, **Steven Alker** enters the weekend inside the top 10 to T9 at 5-under 139.
- In his continuing effort for a record 46<sup>th</sup> PGA TOUR Champions title, 2017 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship winner **Bernhard Langer** is T27 at 1-under 143 after opening rounds of 71-72; details on a two-stroke penalty are below.

#### Padraig Harrington (1<sup>st</sup>/-12)

- Making his second start in the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship (T20/2022), Harrington followed a bogey-free 8-under 64 in round one with another bogey-free round of 4-under 68 in round two.
- Through 36 holes, Harrington is T1 in the Greens in Regulation category with 31-of-36.
- In 72-hole events on PGA TOUR Champions, Harrington's best 36-hole position was solo-second at the 2022 Charles Schwab Cup Championship, which he converted for the win.

- Harrington seeks a second PGA TOUR Champions major is as many seasons (2022 U.S. Senior Open Championship).
- Harrington has finished inside the top five in all but one event this season, most recently at the season's first PGA TOUR Champions major, the Regions Tradition (T5).
- In his rookie year of 2022, Harrington won four times in 19 starts, resulting in PGA TOUR Champions Rookie of the Year honors.
- Among three top-10 finishes in 24 PGA Championship starts on the PGA TOUR, won in 2008 at Oakland Hills.

#### Other Notes

- In addition to 12 wins in more than 600 starts on the Japan Golf Tour, dating to 1996, **Katsumasa Miyamoto** finished second at the 2022 Japan PGA Senior Championship; via the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, he competed full time on the PGA TOUR in 1999, with a best finish of T11 at the 1999 Farmers Insurance Open
- With a victory Sunday, **Stewart Cink** would become:
  - the youngest player to win on PGA TOUR Champions (50 years, 7 days); the current record is 50 years, 10 days (Mark Wiebe and Bobby Wadkins)
  - the second consecutive champion of the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship to win in his first start in the event, joining **Steven Aiker**
  - the 20<sup>th</sup> player to win on the Korn Ferry Tour, PGA TOUR and Champions Tour; Mark Hensby became the 19<sup>th</sup> last month with his win at the Invited Celebrity Classic
- Having played his last five holes in 3-under par, Charles Schwab Cup leader **Steve Stricker's** 5-under 67 extends his PGA TOUR Champions record of consecutive par-or-better rounds to 47; the streak started with a 6-under 65 in the final round of the 2022 U.S. Senior Open last June; in two previous KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship starts, Stricker finished T41 in 2019 and T11 in 2020.
- **Duffy Waldorf** withdrew during round two (injury)
- Seeking a record 46<sup>th</sup> PGA TOUR Champions title, 2017 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship winner **Bernhard Langer** was issued a two-stroke penalty en route to his second-round even-par 72 for inadvertently playing the wrong ball. The following explanation is credited to the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship Rules Committee:

*Bernard Langer, from Germany, received a two-stroke penalty for playing a wrong ball during the second round of the 83rd KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship at Fields Ranch East at PGA Frisco in Frisco, TX.*

*During play of the 2nd hole, Langer's tee shot came to rest in the fairway just in front of David Toms' ball and was interfering with the play of Toms' ball for his next stroke. Langer correctly marked and lifted his ball without cleaning it and set it aside. After Toms' played his stroke, Langer failed to replace his ball and played the ball he had set to the side. At that point he realized he had not replaced his ball and called for a Referee.*

*Since Langer set his ball on the ground with no intention for his ball to be "in play", as soon as he played a stroke at the ball, he made a stroke at a wrong ball in breach of Rule 6.3c(1) where he received the general penalty (two penalty strokes) and he had to correct his mistake by abandoning the wrong ball and replace a ball on the correct spot.*