

# 2023 Principal Charity Classic



## Final-Round Notes

Sunday, June 4, 2023

Wakonda Club | Des Moines, Iowa

12th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2023 Season

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- **Course Setup:** Par 72 / 6,719 yards
- **Round 3 Scoring Average:** 69.740
- **Cumulative Scoring Average:** 70.054
- **Weather:** Partly cloudy with temps in the high-80s and winds E/NE at 8-12 mph
- **Interviews:** [Transcripts](#) | [Videos](#)
- [Final Results](#)
- [PGATOURMedia.com](http://PGATOURMedia.com)

	Player	To Par	Scores	Money	Charles Schwab Cup
1	Stephen Ames	-17	66-66-67 – 199	\$300,000	2nd
T2	Jerry Kelly	-16	66-69-65 – 200	\$160,000	10th
T2	Steve Stricker	-16	64-68-68 – 200	\$160,000	1st
T4	Rod Pampling	-15	66-69-66 – 201	\$108,000	25th
T4	Tim Petrovic	-15	69-65-67 – 201	\$108,000	45th

### Things to Know

- 36-hole co-leader and 2021 champion **Stephen Ames** closed with 5-under 67 to capture his third win of the season and moves up to No. 2 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings.
- Co-runner-up **Steve Stricker** was the only player in the field to play all 54 holes without a bogey or worse.
- Defending champion **Jerry Kelly** shot bogey-free 65 to finish T2.
- Reigning Q-School Final Stage medalist **Richard Green** carded the low round of the day with 9-under 63 to move from T54 to T19 on the leaderboard.

### Stephen Ames, 66-66-67 – 199 (-17)

- Earned his third win of the season on PGA TOUR Champions (10 starts)
  - Matched Steve Stricker (3) for the most wins among all players in 2023
  - Ames also won the Trophy Hassan II (Feb. 9-11) and Mitsubishi Electric Classic (May 5-7)
- The 59-year-old earned his fifth win on PGA TOUR Champions (184 starts)
- Becomes the third multi-time winner of the Principal Charity Classic (2021, 2023)
  - Previous instances: Jay Haas (2007, 2008, 2012) and Bob Gilder (2002, 2011)
- Moves up to No. 2 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings
- Captured the eighth victory by a player from Canada on PGA TOUR Champions
- Improved to 4-for-8 when leading/co-leading entering the final round on PGA TOUR Champions
  - Has converted each of the last three instances after starting 1-for-5
- Improved to 3-for-3 when playing in the last group of the final round this season

### Steve Stricker, 64-68-68 – 200 (-16)

- Seeking his third consecutive win, he earned his seventh top-2 finish this season (10 starts)
- Was the only player in the field to play all 54 holes without a bogey or worse
  - Last player to play a 54-hole event on PGA TOUR Champions without a bogey or worse: Steven Alker (2022 Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai)
    - Note: Steven Alker played the first 65 holes of the 2022 Charles Schwab Cup Championship (72-hole event) without a bogey or worse.
- Remains No. 1 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings with a lead of \$1,137,896 over No. 2 Stephen Ames

- Stricker has held the No. 1 spot for nine of the 12 weeks this season
- Recorded his 52nd consecutive round of par or better on PGA TOUR Champions, extending his all-time record, which dates back to last season
  - Has shot par or better in all 32 rounds in 2023, the longest streak to start a season in Champions Tour history
- This is his 14th consecutive top-10 finish on PGA TOUR Champions, dating back to last season
  - Has finished in the top 10 in all 10 starts in 2023

#### Other Notes

- Defending champion **Jerry Kelly** carded 7-under 65 to finish T2 at 16-under. He moves up to No. 10 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings after earning his fourth top-5 of the season (nine starts).
- **Rod Pampling** and **Tim Petrovic** each finished T4 at 15-under. Playing in the second-to-last group, Petrovic was tied for the lead at 16-under as he played No. 18 but made bogey on the hole.
- 36-hole co-leader **Tim Herron** closed with even-par 72 to finish T9. It was his first top-10 of the season (10 starts).
- Seeking his record-setting 46th win on PGA TOUR Champions, **Bernhard Langer** carded 1-under 71 to finish T26 at 8-under.
- 2018 champion **Tom Lehman** (T53) made a hole-in-one on the par-3 14th with a 4-iron from 195 yards.