2023 Regions Tradition

Third-Round Notes Saturday, May 13, 2023

Greystone Golf & Country Club | Hoover, Alabama 10th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2023 Season

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Course Setup: Par 72 / 7,249 yards
 Round 3 Scoring Average: 71.051

Weather: Mostly sunny, with a high of 89 – variable winds 5-10 mph

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Leaderboard

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	Player	To Par	Scores
T1	Robert Karlsson	-16	71-66-63—200
T1	Steve Stricker	-16	68-68-64—200
3	Padraig Harrington	-14	68-69-65—202
4	Paul Broadhurst	-13	67-68-68—203
T5	Alex Cejka	-12	69-68-67—204
T5	Tim O'Neal	-12	67-69-68—204
T5	Jerry Kelly	-12	69-68-67—204

Things to Know

- Highlighted by eight birdies and an eagle, **Robert Karlsson** sets the course record of 9-under 63 in his bid for a maiden PGA TOUR Champions title
- In an effort to become the third multiple winner of the 2023 season and sixth player to successfully defend a
 Regions Tradition title, Steve Stricker birdies six of his last eight holes, including each of his final four, to shoot 8under 64; the last player to successfully defend a Regions Tradition title was Bernhard Langer in 2017
- In 23 total rounds at Greystone Golf & Country Club, Steve Stricker is now 99-under par
- With three top-7 finishes in all but one of four starts this season, **Padraig Harrington** uses seven birdies and an eagle to sign for a 7-under 65 in his second Regions Tradition (2nd/2022); is 10-under on Greystone Golf & Country Club's five par five holes through 54 holes
- 2021 Regions Tradition champion Alex Cejka fires a 4-under 68 and will enter the final round T5 at 12-under 204

Robert Karlsson (1st/-16)

- Highlighted by eight birdies and an eagle-3 at No. 13, Sweden's Robert Karlsson sets the course record with a 9-under 63; he was one of seven players to have a hand in the previous course record of 64 (R3/2021)
- Karlsson is making his third start in the Regions Tradition (3rd/2021, T57/2022)
- Karlson is 0-for-3 when holding a lead/co-lead headed into a final round on PGA TOUR Champions
- In seven previous starts this season, he included top-10 finishes at the Cologuard Classic (2nd), Trophy Hassan II (T3) and The Galleri Classic (T10); he remains in search of his first PGA TOUR Champions win in his 60th start this week
- A 4-time runner-up, Karlsson seeks his first PGA TOUR Champions title in his 60th start this week
- An 11-time winner on the DP World Tour. Karlsson earned that Tour's 2008 Order of Merit

Steve Stricker (T1/-16)

With birdies on six of his last eight holes, including each of the final four, Steve Stricker cards 8-under 64



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- Stricker looks to become the fifth different player to defend the event's title (Jack Nicklaus/1990-1991, 1995-1996, Gil Morgan/1997-1998, Tom Lehman/2011-2012 and Bernhard Langer/2016-2017)
- When holding at least a share of the 36-hole lead in 54-hole events on PGA TOUR Champions, Stricker has converted on four of seven occasions; in 72-hole events, he has emerged victorious on four of five occasions
- With his 8-under 64 in round three, Stricker extends his record of sub-par scores at the Regions Tradition to a perfect 23-for-23 and moves to 99-under par:

Stricker at Regions Tradition

Year	Finish	Scores	To Par
2023	TBD	68-68-64	-16
2022	1 st	65-68-66-68 - 267	-21
2021	2 nd	68-69-65-68 - 270	-18
2019	1 st	68-64-70-68 - 270	-18
2018	T2	67-70-65-70 - 272	-16
2017	T13	71-71-70-66 - 278	-10

Other Notes

- Following a bogey-free 4-under 68 in round two, **Marco Dawson** carded a clean 6-under 66 in Saturday's third round to move to T8 at 11-under 205; his only two bogeys through 54 holes came on his eighth and ninth holes in round one
- Beginning the week as an alternate, Tim O'Neal birdied three of his last six holes to post a 4-under 68 and move to 12-under 204 (T5) as he vies for a second consecutive top-10 finish this season (T10/Mitsubishi Electric Championship) and his first PGA TOUR Champions win and major title
- Making his first start in the Regions Tradition, **Richard Green** (T12/-9) birdied six of his first nine hole en route to a PGA TOUR Champions career-low 7-under 65; he seeks a third top-5 finish of the season (T3/Trophy Hassan II, T4/Invited Celebrity Classic)