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**Third-Round Leaderboard**  
**Roberto De Vincenzo Memorial 100 Years**  
**Ranelagh Golf Club**  
**Berazategui, Argentina**  
**March 25, 2023**

Full [Leaderboard](#):

Pos.	Name	Scores	Current Totalplay Cup Pos.
T1	César Costilla (Argentina)	67-66-68—201 (12-under)	T126
T1	Chandler Blanchet (U.S.)	65-68-68—201 (12-under)	23
T3	Andres Romero (Argentina)	64-69-69—202 (11-under)	69
T3	Leandro Marelli (Argentina)	62-74-66—202 (11-under)	16
T3	Charlie Hillier (New Zealand)	66-67-69—202 (11-under)	43
T3	Rafael Echenique (Argentina)	68-65-69—202 (11-under)	101
T7	Davis Shore (U.S.)	64-68-71—203 (10-under)	30
T7	Max Sekulic (Canada)	68-66-69—203 (10-under)	T109
T9	Raul Pereda (Mexico)	69-68-67—204 (9-under)	14
T9	Tommy Cocha (Argentina)	67-69-68—204 (9-under)	68

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**Costilla, Blanchet share lead at Roberto De Vincenzo event**

BERAZATEGUI, Argentina—Both César Costilla and Chandler Blanchet shot 3-under 68s Saturday during the third round of the Roberto De Vincenzo Memorial 100 Years and that left the Argentine and the U.S. player deadlocked with 18 holes to play. Costilla made an 18th-hole bogey, while Blanchet was bogey-free, leaving the two players tied at 12-under and a stroke ahead of four players as they enter the final round of the fifth PGA TOUR Latinoamérica tournament of the season. New Zealand's Charlie Hillier and Argentines Leandro Marelli, Rafael Echenique and Andrés Romero are all tied for third.

Besides his late miscue, Costilla's only other bogey at Ranelagh Golf Club came early in his round, at the par-4 second hole. He offset his miscues with three birdies and an eagle at the par-5 11th, where he hit a drive and then a 3-iron approach shot to nine feet and sunk the putt.

"My caddie helped me read the green and it went right down the middle of the hole," said the 43-year-old veteran from Tucumán.

"I am really happy, I've been playing really good golf, and I've felt very comfortable with the putter all week. It's something I've been working on, and although I finished with that bogey on the 18th, I know my game is in a good place," Costilla explained.

In 2009, Costilla won the Argentine Open at Nordelta Golf Club in Buenos Aires. There to present him with the trophy 14 years ago was Roberto De Vincenzo. Costilla thought about that Saturday afternoon.

"It would be incredible to win a tournament that bears [De Vincenzo's] name. I would love to have that trophy in my home's showcase," Costilla said.

After recording nothing but pars on his opening nine Saturday, the native of Gainesville, Florida, saw a few putts fall in what was another bogey-free round. Blanchet had a six-birdie, no-bogey opening-round performance.

"Three birdies and no bogeys is always good. A clean card for the second time this week," Blanchet said, noting his trio of birdie putts were of the sweat-free variety. He rolled them in from three feet (No. 11), three feet (No. 13) and nine inches (No. 16). He just missed a fourth, on the 18th to the dismay of the large crowd.

"I hit the ball really well today, and I rolled it pretty well. A lot of [the putts] scared the hole, but I didn't make many," he added.

Of the three Argentines within shouting distance of the lead, Marelli's week has been the biggest adventure. After opening with a tournament-best 62 Thursday, he shot a disappointing 74 in the second round to fall into a tie for eighth. Saturday, Marelli was back to his opening-round tricks, posting a 5-under 66, without a bogey on his card.

**Did you know César Costilla** is playing in his 60th career PGA TOUR Latinoamérica tournament? Ironically, his career-best finish is a tie for third at the 2015 Roberto De Vincenzo Punta del Este Open Copa NEC in Maldonado, Uruguay. That week, Costilla tied with Mexico's Rodolfo Cazaubón, three strokes behind winner Lanto Griffin.

### 2022-23 PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Player Benefits

2022-23 Final Totalplay Cup Position	Reward
No. 1	Will receive exempt status on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour
Nos. 2-5	Will receive conditional status on the 2024 Korn Ferry
Nos. 1-5	Exempt into Final Stage of the 2023 PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament

Nos. 6-25	Exempt into the second stage of the 2023 PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament
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## Key Information

### Zurich Argentina Swing Standings

(Players in **bold** made the cut and still have a mathematical chance to win)

Pos.	Name	Score	Current Tournament Pos.
1	<b>Linus Lilliedahl</b>	635	T24
2	Cristóbal Del Solar	521	Not Playing
T3	Zack Fischer	500	Not Playing
T3	<b>Jake McCrory</b>	500	T24
5	<b>Myles Creighton</b>	325	T44
7	Tim Widing	228	Not Playing
8	<b>Ollie Osborne</b>	210	T38
9	Alejandro Tosti	189	Not Playing
10	<b>Raul Pereda</b>	173	T9

The Zurich Argentina Swing ends this week at the Roberto De Vincenzo Memorial 100 Years, the fourth of four events in Argentina. There are nine players in this week's field still with a mathematical chance of winning the U.S. \$10,000 bonus. Sweden's **Linus Lilliedahl** holds a 114-point lead over No. 2 **Cristóbal del Solar**, but del Solar is playing on the Korn Ferry Tour this week. The next-closest player to Lilliedahl is **Jake McCrory**, 135 points behind Lilliedahl.

**Zack Fischer** and **Cristobal del Solar** both held solo 54-hole leads and converted those advantages into victory, Fischer at the VISA Argentina Open and del Solar at the Neuquén Argentina Classic. At the Scotia Wealth Management Chile Open, **Matt Ryan** shared the third-round lead with **Conner Godsey** and prevailed on Sunday. **Jake McCrory** followed Ryan's lead and did the same thing, breaking free from a 54-hole lead with **Myles Creighton** and winning the Termas de Rio Hondo Invitational.

**Matt Ryan** and **Jake McCrory** are the only two 2022-23 winners playing this week. Heading into Sunday, Ryan is tied for 13th, while McCrory is tied for 24th.

These eight players all have three rounds in the 60s this week: **César Costilla**, **Chandler Blanchet**, **Charlie Hillier**, **Rafael Echenique**, **Raul Pereda**, **Tommy Cocha**, **Andrés Romero**, and **Max Sekulic**.

Second-round leader **Davis Shore** stayed in neutral during third round. Following a 64-68 start that left him at 10-under when the day began, Shore fired an even-par 71, including a short birdie miss on the 18th that dropped him into a tie for seventh but only two strokes behind the leaders.

**Austin Squires** took a while to start his season, but so far so good. Last week at the Termas de Rio Hondo Invitational, the former University of Cincinnati stalwart made his Tour debut and posted four under-par rounds, all in the 60s, on his way to a tie for fifth. Squires moved his under-par streak to seven consecutive rounds, with his 2-under 69 Saturday, matching his opening-round score. He also added a 1-

under 70 Friday, leaving him at 5-under overall and tied for 18th. Squires is tied for 36th in the Totalplay Cup.

With three consecutive 70s to begin this week, **Austin Hitt** has stretched his under-par streak to eight consecutive rounds. After shooting an opening-round 75 in Chile in December, Hitt shot a 1-under 71 the next day but ultimately missed the cut. At last week's Termas de Rio Hondo Invitational, Hitt posted scores of 70-69-67-69 to tie for 12th. With 18 holes to play this week, he's tied for 38th.

**Kaylor Steger** and **Jack Sparrow** both helped themselves considerably Saturday, firing 5-under 66s to move up 32 scoreboard positions with 18 holes remaining. They both began the day tied for 45th. Steger had seven birdies and two bogeys, while Sparrow was bogey-free.

There were 39 Argentines playing this week, and 14 made the cut. Leading the way is **César Costilla**, tied for the 54-hole lead, while **Andrés Romero**, **Rafael Echenique** and **Leandro Marelli** are only a stroke behind. Here is where the others sit through 54 holes.

Pos.	Name	Score
T1	César Costilla	201 (-12)
T3	Andrés Romero	202 (-11)
T3	Rafael Echenique	202 (-11)
T3	Leandro Marelli	202 (-11)
T9	Tommy Cocha	204 (-9)
T24	Clodomiro Carranza	209 (-4)
T24	Maxi Godoy	209 (-4)
T24	Ignacio Marino	209 (-4)
T38	Jaime Lopez Rivarola	210 (-3)
T44	Puma Dominguez	211 (-2)
T47	Oreste Focaccia	212 (-1)
T47	Andrés Gallegos	212 (-1)
T47	Paulo Pinto	212 (-1)
T54	Felix Cordoba	214 (+1)

### Quotable

"I didn't expect to be in this position after 54 holes because I haven't played many tournaments. During the pandemic, I lost my sponsor and couldn't continue playing on the PGA TOUR Latinoamerica. I've been playing local tournaments, and it's good to know that despite not playing at a very high level normally, today I can say that I'm fighting for the tournament (title)." –**César Costilla**

"This course suits me really well and my game feels really good. I'm excited to be playing out here." –**Chandler Blanchet**

"I felt like I rolled it really well and feel like I'm due to have a few drop [Sunday]." –**Chandler Blanchet**

"It was nice to make a seven-footer on the last there to keep myself right in it." –**Charlie Hillier on his par-saving putt on 18**

"I just want to give myself a chance on the back nine. I just need to keep doing what I'm doing." –**Charlie Hillier on his Sunday strategy**

“I wondered when we got delayed this morning how the course was going to play. But it played the same, still getting some roll out there and a few mud balls.” –**Charlie Hillier**

**Third-Round Weather:** Overnight rain that totaled .4 inches forced officials to delay tee times by 90 minutes. Overcast to start the day. Sunny in the afternoon giving way to clouds and rain, that began at 1:55 p.m., and lasted for 23 minutes. Mostly sunny at the end of the round. High of 82 Wind S at 8-11 mph.